# FOCUS GROUP CAMERA CLUB Club Meeting Minutes February 8, 2022

# Call to order

A meeting of Focus Group Camera Club was held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and was called to order at 7:36 pm by Martin Evans, President. Member attendees included Martin Evans, President; Gene Harris, Secretary; Vicky Eicher, Treasurer; Charles Krumbein, Past President; Bill Billings, Lloyd Chaser, Tom Allen, Merle Robertson, Cyane Lowden, Ralph Sell, Cindy Krumbein, David Everette, Mike Bachmann, Stephen Rutherford, Mark Breen, Charlie Stout, and Steve Baranoff.

# Agenda:

# **WELCOME OF GUESTS**

Four guests were in attendance: guest speaker Alex Nyerges of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, his assistant Stephanie Cooperstein, Lara Davenport, Jay Denny, and Karen Romer.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Martin announced that a survey about preferences for March's meeting (in-person or virtual) will be sent out soon. Alternatively, members can email him with their preferences.

# <u>FEBRUARY PROGRAM – ALEX NYERGES, DIRECTOR OF VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS</u>

Mr. Nyerges spoke about past, present, and future VMFA exhibits, emphasizing those relating to photography. He spoke about the planned 6500 square foot addition the museum dedicated to photography, and he took questions from the group afterwards.

#### GLEN ALLEN CULTURAL ARTS CENTER EXHIBIT

Martin reminded the members that the takedown date for the GACAC exhibit is March 1st, before noon. He advised members to be there around 10 am to take down their pieces.

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

Doug Beecher spoke about the program for March – Bill Draper, runner/photographer, whose photos are featured many places. He told us the April program will feature an event photographer who will speak about photographing wedding and other event and how she handles them. He also told us that the June program will entail Photography Bingo, an explanation of which will be in a forthcoming email.

# **MONTHLY CHALLENGES**

Images for the Monthly Challenge – Little Things Around the House (Still Life) – were submitted by Martin Evans, Gene Harris, Mike Bachmann, Mark Breen Tom Allen, and Cyane Lowden. Mike also

told everyone that still no one had submitted any images for the letters F, G, K, N, or P in the Alphabet Challenge.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

Martin brought up the need for a nominating committee for club officers for next year. The committee will include Charles Krumbein, past president, plus others to be determined. Martin related that the club will need a new Treasurer and a new Vice President, and he encouraged volunteers. He also again mentioned the virtual vs. in-person survey coming out soon.

#### **ROUNDTABLE**

Mike Bachmann, Martin Evans, Gene Harris, Mark Breen, Lloyd Chaser, and Tom Allen presented various images.

# FEEDBACK REQUESTS

No new images were submitted for club member discussion and feedback. Mike Bachmann and Lloyd Chaser showed new versions of images previously submitted for feedback.

# Adjournment

There being no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Harris, Secretary