

The July 19, 2012 Meeting

HDR via Photomatix

If you have ever photographed a high contrast scene you know that even the best exposure gives you blown out highlights, or flat shadows, or both. The solution is High Dynamic Range (HDR) processing. Take multiple photographs at varying exposure levels. Merge the photos into an HDR image and adjust the settings to get the look you want. Photomatix is photographic software developed by HDRsoft for Mac OS X and Microsoft Windows and primarily designed to make the process of merging multiple photographs into high dynamic range images and then locally tone-mapping them back to LDR images, easier and more streamlined. Andrew McDonald will introduce us to Photomatix and take us through the steps to create images you have only dreamed of.

Future Field Trips

July 21 -- Omaha Zoo

August -- T-Bones

Dates, Times and Meeting Locations will be announced later.

Please send 1 or 2 of your best shots from the Elmwood Cemetary field trip to Joe Sands at jstereo@yahoo.com

Future Meetings

August 16 -- Tips, Tricks and Techniques. We'll ask everyone to participate in this whole evening of informational sharing. Just a 5 minute presentation on anything you think the members will find interesting.

Please contact Thomas with your ideas.

tkimble02@yahoo.com

September 20 --

Post-processing will be the topic including Photoshop, Picassa, Topaz, Lightroom, etc.

DUES, DUES, DUES

DUES ARE DUE!

Because our June meeting was held outside at Shawnee Mission Park we were unable to collect the yearly dues.

Our 'dues year' is from June 1 to May 31. Please pay your dues for the new year at the July meeting. You may also mail your dues check, made out to Digital Dimensions and Beyond, to Dara Russell, 9837 Juniper Lane, Overland Park, KS 66207.

(See Membership amounts on page two of this newsletter)

Our regular meetings are held every 3rd Thursday of the month. The program begins at 6:30 pm but you can arrive as early as 6:00 for social time and chatting with our members.

The first hour consists of a guest speaker with the second hour containing announcements, Tips & Techniques and a member slideshow.

**Asbury United Methodist Church
5400 W 75th Street
Prairie Village KS 66208**

For more information contact:
John Caulfield
jcaulfield@kc.rr.com

Member Slide Show

Each meeting we have a slide-show of photos submitted by our members. We hope that most members will submit photos.

Submission Guidelines:

- You may submit up to 3 images.
- Please be prepared to share some of your technical information such as aperture, shutter speed, lens, etc. and why you feel the image has impact and is enjoyable to you.
- JPEG should be the format.
- E-mail your images to
- ddkclideshow@gmail.com no later than 11:00 pm on the Wednesday night before the meeting.

Note: Andrew will no longer be able to accept images at the meetings.

You are also encouraged to bring hard copies of your photos to share before and after the meeting at a table in the foyer.

Visit us on Facebook!
Search for Digital Dimensions
and Beyond.
(You don't have to be a
Facebook member
to view the page)

Digital Dimension Library

The Digital Dimension Library is in its beginning stages but we already have many materials to check out including CDs of previous meetings. The fee is a non-refundable \$5 for a month's use of a CD, DVD, or Tape. A check made out to the club for \$25 will be held (and not cashed) as a deposit to ensure the return of the materials. It will be returned to you upon request.

We are also accepting donations of new or gently used training CDs or DVDs for the Library.

Contact Fonda Kimble
if you have any questions
816 457-7886.

Swap & Shop

We will have a dedicated table at each meeting for you to bring items such as equipment, magazines, books, etc. to sell, swap or share.

Creative Critiquing

Every meeting we are going to critique 5 slides. They will be submitted anonymously on a first come first serve basis. This will allow people to speak honestly.

Membership

Not a member yet? You can join Digital Dimensions at any meeting. Membership runs from June 1 to May 31 of the next year. Dues are pro-rated for new members.

Dues:

Individual \$30/yr
Family \$40/yr
Senior \$20/yr (over 60)
Student \$15/yr

Benefits of Membership

- Attendance at all monthly meetings
- Attendance at all field trips
- Attendance at year end shoot and holiday party
- 10% discount on most items at Overland Photo Supply
- Use of the 7x Sensor Loupe and Giottos Rocket Blower (available for use before meetings.) Members can use the loupe to inspect their own camera sensor and, if needed, use the blower to try and dislodge any dust.
- A monthly Newsletter
- A Website with great resources
- A Swap & Shop table
- The Digital Dimensions Library

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Organizing Committee

A lot of thought and planning go into each of our meetings and field trips. Getting involved with the committee that does the planning for these events is a wonderful way to enhance your membership. We are always looking for new members of our Organizing Committee.

Several of the positions that are open for new members of the committee are: meeting moderator; planning coordinator; and outside services liaison.

Join our group. We meet on the first Thursday of each month.

John Caulfield
Dennis Chapman
Beth Dawson
Mike Farley
Mark Higgins
Fonda Kimble
Thomas Kimble
Andy McDonald
Denise Morrison
Kile Morrison
Irene Niehorster
Jim Rendina
Dara Russell
Larry Russell
Joe Sands
Lee Scott

Announcements

Crossroads Arts District
July 6 to July 30
DDB Club member
Dara Russell
will have photos on exhibit at
Outpost Worldwide
1919 Baltimore Ave.

Great Midwest
Balloon Fest
Aug. 10-12
For more information:
<http://www.greatmidwestballoonfest.org/>

Mike Moats Three Day Macro Photography Workshop in Topeka, Kansas

only \$169 for all 3 days

Dates and times,
September 21 5:00pm – 8:00pm
September 22 9:00am – 5:00pm
September 23 9:00am – 2:00pm

For more information or to sign
up for workshops go to
www.MikeMoatsBooks.com

“Tri-Phecta”

Local award-winning photographers Anna Dorrance, Mark Higgins and Anne Nye have combined their creative talents and diverse subject interest presenting an array of photographs rich in contrasting style, interpretation, and reality.

July 1 thru 30.

Prairie Village Municipal Offices
R.G. Endres Gallery
7700 Mission Road
Prairie Village KS 66208
Mon-Fri 8am to 5pm

Don't forget to visit our Website for great resources and additional information.
www.digitaldimensionsskc.com

*If you have any information about photo trips, classes, contests, other club news, events or anything having to do with photography that you think our members would be interested in, send me an email and we'll put it in the newsletter.
Lee Ann Scott at:
leeannscott@mac.com*

We're Moving -- up the street to the corner of 87th and Metcalf. We will be closed this week but will open, in the new location, on Monday July 23rd.



www.overlandphoto.com

Take your membership card into Overland Photo Supply to receive a 10% discount on most items!

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