

Meetings:

Our regular meetings are held every 3rd Thursday of the month. The program begins at 6:30pm 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.

We meet at: Asbury United Methodist Church 5400 W 75th Street Prairie Village KS 66208

For more information contact: John Caulfield <u>icaulfield@kc.rr.com</u>

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 prorated for new members.

Dues:

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

Member Benefits:

- 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

Next meeting

Thursday May 16, 2013

Capt. Kevin Huckaby

US Air Force - Civil Air Patrol

Kevin will be talking about how the CAP uses aerial photography, GIIEPS, and Hyperspectral Imaging in disaster relief, search and rescue, FEMA and EPA missions in the state of Missouri.

Also: Tips & Tricks Gil Carlon: Post processing for light painting photography

Future Meetings:

June 20th (Thursday): Carol Barlau - African Safari

July 18th (Thursday): Jason Soden - Shooting in Kansas

August 15th (Thursday): Clicks groups.

Visit us on Facebook! <u>www.facebook.com/DigitalDimensio</u> <u>nandBeyond</u> (You don't have to be a Facebook member to view the page)

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

May 2013 Newsletter

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Field Trips: For up to the minute details see the web page <u>here</u>

May 26th (7pm):

Sunset shoot at Kaw Point Riverfront Park, Kansas City, KS. See <u>website</u> for map & liability release.

May/June:

****-to be rescheduled-**** Rocheport MO & Rock Bridge State Park/Devils Icebox Cave. Gil Carlon to lead.

June 1st & 2nd:

Group trip to the Mid-America Photography Symposium in Eureka Springs MO. Carole Kropscot to organize. (<u>www.mapsym.org</u>). See <u>website</u> for details & liability release.

July:

Kansas City Zoo trip is tentatively scheduled.

If not listed, dates, times and meeting locations will be announced later.

** If you have ideas or interest in leading a field trip please let someone on the planning committee know. We need your ideas and input!! **

Clicks Groups

(Clicks is the clubs effort to get more group interaction and go deeper into some of the topics that YOU expressed interest in we're starting some small interest based groups...and we're calling them *Clicks*.)

Current groups (and their leaders) are:

Landscapes/Cityscapes (Thomas Kimble)

Studio/Lighting (Gil Carlon)

Post-Processing (John Caulfield/Mark Higgins)

Macro/Tabletop (Jim Rendina)

Photo opportunities:

June 23rd - Art of the Car (KCArtInstitute) June 25th - Dragon Boat Festival (Plaza) Aug 9th/10th – Olathe Balloon Fest Sep 12th – NAPP Matt Kloskowski

Member Tip (for Nik Software Users):

Free Nik Software Suite for Nik Software Plug-In Owners

If you've purchased one of Nik Software's plug-ins (like Silver Efex Pro) within the last 5 years, you can contact Nik Software and get the entire suite for free. To take advantage of this deal: call or email Nik Software and give them the email you used to register your plug-in or your product key numbers. It's helpful to have the product key number available in case they don't have your email address.

Go to

https://support.google.com/nikcollect ion/ to obtain the contact information and a list of products in the Nik Software Suite.

Macro/Frog shoot info:

If you or anyone you know is interested in doing a Macro / Tropical Frog shoot with Patrick Nabors (he presented at the March 2013 meeting) he is available. Groups of 3 work best for his setup and he is willing to do a 3 hr shoot for 40\$ per person (3 people). So get a group together & contact him at Patrick@Saurian.net or through his website <u>here</u>.

Also see Jim Rendina at the meeting w/any questions you may have.

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.

New - DD&B Flickr Group

For any Flickr users, be aware that there is now a Digital Dimensions Flickr Group. We would encourage any members with Flickr accounts to join & post to that group, specifically photos that were taken at or related to DD&B field trips or meetings. The group can be found <u>here</u>.

<u>Flickr</u> is a great place to show your photos and is an excellent resource for gathering feedback & for getting questions answered. It has a huge number of very active groups on almost any photography topic or subject you can think of and is worth checking out.

Member Slide Show:

updated info

Each meeting we have a slideshow of photos submitted by our members. We hope that most members will submit photos as well as discuss.

In addition, the photos submitted for the slideshow will be available for viewing on the DD&B website: <u>www.digitaldimensions.smugmug.com</u> They are displayed by both member name & by month. If for some reason you would NOT like your images (new or past photos) displayed on the website please let us know at the same email you use to submit.

Submission Guidelines:

- You may submit up to 5 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 format. 1600 pixels on the long side at 90%/high jpg quality is recommended for the best viewing later on the website but feel free to submit larger or smaller.

- Please leave EXIF data if possible
- E-mail your images to:

ddkcslideshow@gmail.com

no later than 11:00 pm on the Wednesday night before the meeting

(for more specific details about submissions please see the <u>submissions web page</u>)

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.

Announcements

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. Joe Sands at:

jastereo@yahoo.com

Call for your great Shooting Locations & Local Events to shoot

One of our members Julie Sleszynski is going to put together a list of best locations for shooting Kansas City photos and keep an area events calendar with photo opportunities. She would like input from you on your favorite shooting locations. Please be specific on the location such as "Shawnee Mission Park Shelter 4 and Marina for sunrise photos" rather than just "Shawnee Mission Park."

You can contact Julie at: jsleszynski@hotmail.com or by phone at 913-451-4587.

Let her know if it is okay for her to contact you if she needs more specific information about the locations such as:

-Architecture in KC (Kauffman Center...)
-KC Skyline (KAW Point...)
-Sunset and Sunrise locations
-Your favorite photography spots.

Suggestions or updates to an events calendar are welcome as well.

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.

Committee Members:

John Caulfield Gil Carlon Dennis Chapman Beth Dawson Mike Farley Mark Higgins Fonda Kimble Thomas Kimble Carole Kropscot Andy McDonald Denise Morrison Kile Morrison Irene Niehorster Jim Rendina Dara Russell Larry Russell Joe Sands Lee Scott Maks Stepanov Natasha Stepanova Mary Ann Teschan