



THE CABLE RELEASE

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Monthly Newsletter of the Virginia Beach Photography Club

Welcome New Members!

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Virginia Beach

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~The President's Corner~

Survey Says!

Well we finally got the VBPC members' questionnaires back. Thanks to all the members that took the time to answer and return this survey. The winner of the \$50 AMEX gift card was Shannon Lea. We also want to thank Pam Jenkins for her time and effort on this survey. The Board and I went over this survey at the last meeting and we will look at putting some of the suggested changes/revisions into the club over the next few months. Some of the ideas and comments are already in place at the club now. The club and its members will only grow and get better if all the members support and get involved. It is time to step up and get noticed!

There are a lot of things going on in June and even more to come in the following months, thanks to Joan Grippo's efforts.

Have fun and see you at the next meeting.

Nick

~Competitions~



Competition Winners May 2006

Alternative/Digitally Altered

- 1st "Evening Moon" by Adrian Felton
2nd "In Motion" by Michael Gellar
3rd "Alex" by Tom McElvy
HM "Crocus" by Jerry Wymore

Black & White Prints

- 1st "Buckskin Gulch" by Allen Rabe
2nd "Mother Board Detail" by Adrian Felton
3rd "Painted" by Michael Gellar
HM "Land of Hero's" by Flo Womacks

Color Prints

- 1st "Humming Bird" by Adrian Felton
2nd "Red" by Joan Grippo
3rd "We'll Leave the Light on for You"
by Judy Wymore
HM "Pelican Convention" by Jerry Wymore

Slides

- 1st "Pittsburgh" by Calvin Taylor
2nd "City Lights" by Tom Jenson
3rd "Pelican" by Jerry Wymore
HM "Red Rider" by Michael Gellar

2006 Competition Subjects

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|------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------|
| • January | Open | • July | Open |
| • February | Cold | • August | Up in the Sky |
| • March | Open | • September | Open |
| • April | What is It? | • October | Three |
| • May | Open | • November | Open |
| • June | Patterns in Nature | • December | Abstract |

Please feel free to download the [2006 Subject list with definitions](#)

~Special Events~

*Mark Your
Calendar!*

June 2006

Tuesday, June 6th

Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm

Guest Speaker, Laurie Rae Ryan will be discussing Art in Nature.

Saturday, June 17th

Bill & Linda Lane Workshop

“Nature Images” workshop starts at 8:00 am. The cost for the day will be \$50. The first half of the day is devoted to class discussions and the afternoon to “hands on experience” with Bill & Linda in the field. Members interested in participating are asked to have a check available by the June 6th meeting. Contact Joan Grippo at joan1148@hotmail.com for more info.

Tuesday, June 20th

Cosmopolitan Camera Club

Tom Jenson will be presenting the winners’ slides for the CCC’s awards competition on June 20th at the Community United Methodist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6 <i>Laurie Rae Ryan Art in Nature</i>	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 <i>Lane Workshop</i>
18	19	20 <i>CCC Winning Slide Presentation</i>	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Note: Due to the July 4th holiday, the July Membership Meeting will be held on July 18th instead.

Upcoming Club Activities (Tentative) for 2006

- July 9:00 am Soccer or Baseball Game: Virginia Beach, TBA
- Aug. 19th 9:00 am Skateboarders at Mt. Trashmore: TBA
- Sept. 23rd 9:00 am Mackay Island, NC or Pea Island, NC
- Oct. 21st 9:00 am Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond
- Nov. 18th 9:00 am First Landing State Park/Fort Story: Depends on weather
- Dec. 9th 6:00 pm Christmas Lights: Norfolk/Portsmouth

~Photography Opportunities~

by James Stick

Virginia's Covered Bridges

www.virginiadot.org/infoservice/faq-covbridgemap

Covered bridges symbolize small-town America, a structure from the nineteenth century when life was simpler. Within a day's drive, we have five photographic covered bridges in the Commonwealth of Virginia that have been preserved as landmarks all on public property. If you go to the Virginia Department of Transportation website, they will identify the five bridges, their history, photographs, maps and location of each bridge within the Commonwealth.

Meem's Bottom Bridge (1894)

Bob White Bridge (1921)

Jack's Creek Bridge (1914)

Humpback Bridge (1857)

Sinking Creek Bridge (1916)



Virginia Waterfalls

www.waterfalls-guide.com/va_waterfalls-guide.htm

While searching for those covered bridges, you might also include some of the photo opportunities of the many waterfalls located throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The website will identify ten different waterfalls, driving directions, size of the waterfalls, best times of the year for color and sounds of the rushing water.

Cedar Run Falls, Skyline Drive

Crabtree Falls, George Washington National Forest

Dark Hollow Falls, Skyline Drive

Doyles River Falls, Skyline Drive

Great Falls, George Washington Memorial Parkway

Jones Run Falls, Skyline Drive

Overall Run Falls, Skyline Drive

South River Falls, Skyline Drive

White Oak Falls, Skyline Drive - 6 Different Falls

White Rock Falls, Blue Ridge Parkway

Before leaving on your excursion, you may look over the several photo techniques and suggestions for capturing waterfalls at BetterPhoto.com using their search segment on waterfalls.

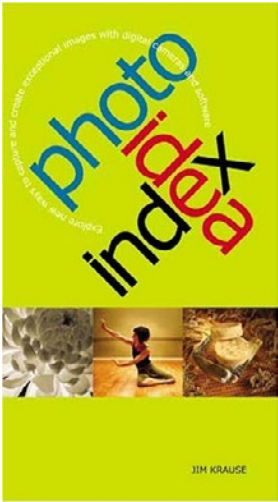
Term of the Month

Key Light

Key light is the main source of light on the scene or the subject, sometimes from a studio light. The key light is usually the brightest light affecting the image.

It can also be referred to as "main light."

*This term and many others can be found at
www.photographytips.com*



Book Review

by Tom McElvy

Book Details:
PHOTO IDEA INDEX
 by Jim Krause

1st Edition
 Turtleback: 359 pages
 Publisher: How,
 November 5, 2005
 ISBN: 158180766X

Publisher Propaganda:

Not your typical “how to” digital photography book.

Review:

Boy, they weren’t kidding. I happened across this book at a local bookseller and was entranced by what I read. First of all, the book is in a vinyl cover, which I thought was really cool. I had never seen anything else like it. However, the cover was just the beginning.

What awaits you inside cannot be described adequately in a review. You really have to see this one. It is full of not only beautiful images, but tons of in-

formation - and while it does tell you the how, it leads you to experiment... to think. And that is what these kinds of books are meant to do!

PHOTO IDEA INDEX is not a book for amateurs. It is not a book for professionals - it is for everyone, regardless of the camera you own or your skill set. I even tried some of the their ideas with my trusty point-&-shoot... I really appreciate those little devils now! (Wait until Van White sees this book - I see him getting more ribbons!)

The book is organized into topics of creativity, camera and lighting variables; and some basic digital effects. It takes one subject matter and explores all kind of different ways of making pictures of it. None of them are right or wrong - it’s what works best for you! This book is great for getting the ideas rolling around in your head... And believe me, it does that very well! The only real complaint that I have seen online is that the effects section is short, but since this is a book about photography, it’s cool.

If you feel the need to “bump things up a notch,” then this book is just for you. I still spend hours reading it and trying out some of the tips.

Club Budget

Virginia Beach Photography Club Budget - 1 January 2006 to 31 March 2006

Income		<i>31-Dec-06 Balance</i>	Expenses		<i>\$1,056.40</i>
3-Jan-06	Dues	\$420.00	3-Jan-06	Trophies	\$127.73
3-Jan-06	50/50	11.50	3-Jan-06	Awards	121.75
7-Feb-06	Dues	456.00	3-Jan-06	Awards	91.22
7-Feb-06	50/50	19.00	14-Jan-06	Prizes	103.75
23-Mar-06	Dues	168.00	14-Jan-06	Awards Dinner	272.97
23-Mar-06	50/50	<u>10.00</u>	7-Feb-06	Tunnel Toll Eastern Shore Club Bus	<u>17.00</u>
Total Income		\$1,084.50	Total Expenses		\$734.42

23-Mar-06 Balance **\$1,406.48**

2-Apr-06 Ken Ridel, Treasurer
Nick Knight, President

PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE YEAR 2006

Eligible Photographs

All first place photographs in each category from January 2006 to December 2006 are eligible for the Photograph of the Year competition. All eligible photographs are to be turned in at the December meeting. The winning photographer will be honored at the Annual Banquet in January. If you are interesting in helping organize the Annual Banquet, please contact Flo Womacks.

	Alternative Prints	Black & White Prints	Color Prints	Slides
January 2006	<i>"Japanese Rice Bowls"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"Sands of Time"</i> Pam Jenkins	<i>"No. 26"</i> Adrian Felton	<i>"Mums The Word"</i> Greg Avant
February 2006	<i>"Back in the Days of Outhouses"</i> Flo Womacks	<i>"Gloveless"</i> Joan Grippo	<i>"Winter on Lake"</i> Adrian Felton	<i>"Cold and Lonely"</i> Judy Wymore
March 2006	<i>"Reptium Moonshine"</i> Rob Twine	<i>"S-Trails"</i> Adrian Felton	<i>"Aquatic Repose"</i> Pam Jenkins	<i>"Virginia Sunrise"</i> Pam Jenkins
April 2006	<i>"Fire and Brimstone"</i> Judy Wymore	<i>"What"</i> Jerry Wymore	<i>"Layers"</i> Joan Grippo	<i>"Hibiscus"</i> Calvin Taylor
May 2006	<i>"Evening Moon"</i> Adrian Felton	<i>"Buckskin Gulch"</i> Allen Rabe	<i>"Humming Bird"</i> Adrian Felton	<i>"Pittsburgh"</i> Calvin Taylor
June 2006				
July 2006				
August 2006				
September 2006				
October 2006				
November 2006				
December 2006				



*The Virginia Beach
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is a member club of the
Photographic Society
of America*

Important:
Please remember to update any **changes to your e-mail address** to Michael Gellar or James Stick so you do not miss out on any important club announcements that are sent via e-mail!

Interesting Web sites

Valley Viewfinders Camera Club has interesting photography articles: www.valleyviewfinders.org

Learn how to judge photos from Kansas Photography Action Team:
[http://4-h.k-state.edu/actionteamphotography/judging.htm](http://4-h.k-state.edu/actionteamphotography/judging/judging.htm)

Fundraising Concepts

We are looking for fundraising ideas to assist with the costs for the Annual Award Banquet to be held in January. Please submit concepts to Flo Womacks at flotography1@yahoo.com.

All members are encouraged to submit articles or photographs for the newsletters!

Please send your submissions via e-mail to artistjen@cox.net or submit at a club meeting. Electronic submissions should be in plain text format, Word document or in the body of the e-mail. Photographs can be sent as jpeg at 150 dpi or less. Please include the title of the photograph as well. Please submit all items by the 15th of each month.

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~Classifieds~

For Sale: Lens Hood & Filters

- 1 Sigma silver lens hood 72mm: \$6.00
 - 1 Vivitar Red filter 52 mm: \$25.00
 - 1 Hoya 85B filter 72 mm: \$40.00
 - 1 Quantaray UV filter 72 mm: \$40.00
 - 1 Hoya circular polarizer filter 72 mm: \$60.00
- Contact Joan Grippo at (757) 721-6132

For Sale: Fuji S2

Excellent condition. It comes with all of the cables and software for \$1000.00. If interested contact Melissa at (757) 572-2122 or e-mail retouchpro@casmara.com

*For more ads visit the classified section at:
<http://www.vbpc.org/invisionboard/>*

Virginia Beach Photography Club *Mission Statement*

The Virginia Beach Photography Club explores the connection between the eye, the camera and the spirit by fostering and encouraging growth of artistic vision and technical knowledge.

The Club provides an informal, friendly and supportive environment for photographers at all levels and with interest in all types of photographic imagery.

The Club offers a means for members to share ideas and knowledge with each other and promotes photography through its meetings, educational activities, exhibitions and public events.

The club activities offer a means to share ideas and knowledge through monthly meetings, guest speakers, member participation, monthly competition, critiquing of work and technique, field trips, and public photographic activities and projects that kindle growth and friendships through artistic vision of photographic imagery.

Visit our website at <http://www.vbpc.org>



www.vbpc.org

Next Meeting

Tuesday, July 18th, 7:30 pm

Competition begins at 7:15 pm

at

**Community United Methodist Church
1072 Old Kempsville Rd.
Virginia Beach, VA 23464**