



FROM THE RPC BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Seasons Greetings to all and welcome to the second 2009 / 2010 Roberson Photo Club newsletter. Autumn 2009 began with a terrific and enthusiastic turnout for our six-week Beginning Photography course which resulted in a large class of 23 students graduating.

The digital submission tests we began last year have finally born fruit and now club members have a new way to submit competition photos. October brought RPC members photogenic fall leaves and the beginning of official scoring of our digital projection competitions. The process seems to be working out well and this spring will culminate in the first club awards given out for the highest ranked club members in this category. So get those photos in your computer, now. Ready - Set - Download.

Also, in late October, the club made our annual trip to NYC for the PCN Photoplus Expo conference. Many photo related vendors were represented at the Javitts Center and although the weather was less than cooperative, most left the trip feeling they had a successful learning experience and an opportunity to get some interesting photos of the city.

Improvements continue with our club with adoption of a two- tier class competition system, namely, Gallerie (new spelling) and Salon. The combination of the former A and B classes seems to have proved effective, evidenced by the large amount of high quality photos submitted in recent Gallerie competitions. In November, we had our first 2009-2010 season closed-board competition with the subject matter of **Interiors**. The excellent photo submissions represented a broad interpretation of the subject. Thanks to all who participated.

A big shout of "Thanks" also goes, to Ken Hull for coordinating our RPC photo show at the Binghamton Public Library, which ran Nov.2 -28, 2009. More RPC shows are expected in the

near future so get out those cameras and remember, "We can't view it if you don't shoot it".

To help us get over the winter doldrums, more photographic fun is on the horizon. The popular photo related teaching programs will begin again at the Vestal Public Library in January 2010. Check out page 3 for the full details.

Submitted By: Bill Wandling RPC Board Member

<p style="text-align: center;">Roberson Photo Club Saturday Classes 2010 \$5.00 each or all 5 for \$20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ January 16th - Photo Hy-Jinx ➤ January 30th - Conventional Matting ➤ February 6th - Digital Matting ➤ February 20th - Retouching & Organizing ➤ March 6th - Photoshop Elements (see page 3 for full details) <p style="text-align: center;">All Classes will be at the Vestal Public Library Rt. 434 E in Vestal, NY (check page 3 for start times)</p>
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Plans are finalized for the **RPC 2010 TEACH-IN for April 17, 2010**. This year we will have noted Photshop/Elements guru Ben Willmore as the featured speaker. He will be presenting '**Photshop for Photographers**'.

The Roberson Photo Club Presents
2010 Teach-In
"PHOTOSHOP for Photographers"
Featuring



Ben Willmore
(see page 7 for full details)

Saturday April 17, 2010
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Binghamton University
Binghamton, NY

Go to Ben's web site: www.digitalmastery.com/

And receive free info and digital tips.

2009 NEW YORK CITY PHOTOPLUS EX- PO RPC BUS TRIP:

Despite a steady drizzle everyone boarded the bus to NYC with great enthusiasm and anticipation. The annual trek to the PhotPlus Expo in NYC was underway.

After settling into warm comfy seats,



the talk was about plans for the day. Some would stay at the Expo most of the day others would, despite the rain,

venture into the city to try to capture some images of building interiors for the upcoming closed board competition.

The Expo had all the regular manufactures, Canon, Nikon, Pentax and the big surprise was Sony's floor presence was huge this year. They had four separate areas with full camera setups and lots of personnel to help you with any combination of camera and lenses you could think of. The one vendor missing this year was Adobe.



Even with the absence of Adobe, there were many vendors with software products that did just about everything you could imagine with digital photography.

Club members that stayed at the show found lots of 'toys' to play with and put on their Holiday wish list. Other members that roamed around NYC shared their pictures on the bus trip home.



Next year we plan to start announcing the bus trip early. It didn't seem like there was enough time to get the word out with the first club meeting being so late in September and we had a less than full bus this year.

On personal note: While I was working my way through all the vendor booths much to my surprise, I came across a display of Polaroid SX-70 cameras that were refurbished and for sale.

If anyone has been to the club's table on Apple Fest outside of Frame To Please you'd know that I have one of these cameras and always show it off explaining that they were big in the 1970's and a staple for police investigators.



Watch any TV crime drama made in the late 70's and you'd see one of these cameras almost in every episode. There's also one being

used by actor Mickey Rourke in the new movie "The Wrestler"

I talked to the vendor and he said that there is still a market for these cameras in police departments around the country.

With digital cameras readily available some police agencies still want an instant picture and these cameras do the job very well. He even had the flash bars that plugged into the top of the camera for sale. *(my camera is in lower right)*



Submitted By: Pete Kofira Jr.

**Roberson Photo Club
Saturday Classes**

The Vestal Public Library

Jan. 16th & 30th Feb 6th & 20th Mar 6th, 2010

\$5.00 Each or all 5 classes for \$20

(times as noted)

January 16, 2010 Photo Hy-Jinx

10 am - 12:30 pm

Bring your camera and tripod and get ready to learn how to shoot still life objects in unusual conditions. Various photo situations will be setup around the room. (shooting through textured glass, Karo Syrup, polarized plastic, black light, fish tank etc.) Club members will assist with lighting and camera setups. Also, the club's pro backdrop will be setup and live models will be available so you can experience some challenging studio portrait shooting. Time permitting we'll display the images with the club's projector for critiques.

January 30, 2010 Conventional Matting

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Deb Muska of Animal Images will bring her talent for color coordination and present a wide variety of techniques used in selecting and color matching matting material to fit the image. There will be at least 3 mat cutting machines available and members will share their experience on matt cutting and mounting techniques. If you have a photo you want matted bring your own matting material and club members will assist you in cutting the mat.

February 6, 2010 Digital Matting

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Grant La Barr will demonstrate how you use Photoshop Elements to add frames, matting, color stroke etc. to your images to give them that **WOW** effect. If you have any version of Elements or PhotoShop on your Laptop bring it and follow along with the instructions. This class was big hit last year.

February 20, 2010 Retouch using digital image software & Organizing Workflow

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Dave Williams shows how to retouch that portrait image to remove blemishes, add highlights that enhance facial textures etc. Bring a digital portrait file to work on. Dave will also share his experience as a professional photographer and explain and demonstrate the various methods available for organizing your digital workflow.

March 6, 2010 PhotoShop Elements

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

This is it !! The precursor to help you get familiar with Photoshop / Elements before the RPC Teach-In which will be on April 17, 2009 and featuring Ben Willmore. Bring your laptop computer and follow along with the instructor. As many functions of the programs will be explained as possible. At the club meetings prior to this class we'll pass out question cards you can fill out requesting what you would like to learn.

2010 VPL Saturday Class Sign-up

(Walk-Ins Welcome)

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

I would like to attend:

- Jan 16th Photo Hy-Jinx
- Jan 30th Conventional Matting
- Feb 6th Digital Matting
- Feb 20th Retouching / Workflow
- Mar 6th Photoshop Elements
- All 5 Classes

\$5 each or All 5 for \$20

of Classes \$ _____ Amount

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Binghamton, NY 13903

INFO: mrpetek@stny.rr.com

Pete Kofira Jr. mrpetek@stny.r.com

CALIBRATION MONITOR:

The club's calibration monitor has finally been found and is available to be loaned out to members wishing to check and calibrate their home systems.

RPC board member Bill Wandling waw49@aol.com will be coordinating this process and will have a sign out sheet set up. The unit can be signed out for a maximum of 2 weeks and members will be responsible to get it back to Bill in a timely manner.

The calibrator requires a minimum OS of WINDOWS 2000, XP OR HIGHER, or MAC OS X10.3 or higher, USB ports
Contact: Bill Wandling 607-785-2369
waw40@aol.com

FRAME TO PLEASE SHOW &

APPLE FEST DAY - FALL 2008

The club had another successful show at Amy Burgess's Washington Avenue, Endicott, NY shop 'Frame To Please' during the month of September.

Members who had images on display where: Bill Baburchak, Bill Bay, John Rehak, Ken Hull, Pete Kofira Jr., Helga Stein, John Mullen, Courtney Moore, Deb Rockfeller & Jim Dutko



In addition to the show the club also participated in the Washington Avenue Merchants **Apple Fest Day** which was held on September 20, 2008.

Thanks to all the volunteers that

helped that day with answering questions from people visiting the show and for passing out club flyers. Helping out this year were: Bill Baburchak, Pat Bonamo, Pat Nash, Pete Kofira Jr., John & Cindy Mullen, Jack Kaufman, Wendell Strume, John Rehak, Fran Quinlivan, Rebecca Rodriguez, Bill Wandling and Mike West.

These events do a lot to publicize what the club does and have proven to bring in new members each year.

RPC FALL PHOTO CLASS:

This years photo class was the largest we've had in a long time. A record number of 23 students were signed up and the attendance at all the sessions was great. The club instructors: Patsy Nash, Barb Kirch, Bill Baburchak, Bernie Lewis and Dave Williams all did a great job with explaining basic photography to the more advanced topics including lenses to digital modes.

The students really appreciated all the personal time that the instructors and table proctors devoted to explaining all the functions of their individual cameras.

MEMBER SHOWS

Ken Hull - Thanks to Ken for arranging the show at the Binghamton Public Library for the month of November.



Ken and John Mullen did a great job setting up the room with over 60 images from club members.



Club members that participated were:

Bill Baburchak, Bill Bay, Barry Biddle, Geoff Gould, Geri Hall, Ken Hull, Linda Johnson, Sandra Kirker, Pete Kofira Jr., Bernie Lewis, Brad Marple, Courtney Moore, John Mullen, John Rehak, Cindy Ruggieri, Myrna Smith, Helga Stein, and Bill Wandling.

Bill Baburchak, Bill Bay, Ken Hull, Courtney Moore, Sandra Kirker and Kathy Whisman - All had images selected in the Finger Lakes Native Plant Society www.flnps.org juried art exhibition. Their images will be on display at the **Living Light** exhibit and will be hosted at the [Tompkins County Public Library](http://www.tompkinscountypubliclibrary.org) from January through March of 2010. The formal opening of the show will be held in conjunction with Ithaca's 6th annual **Light in Winter** festival.

Sandra Kirker - Had an image selected for publication in the Montezuma Wildlife Refuge annual calendar. Her image, 'Hover Fly on Wild Rose' will be featured in the 2010 calendar which is available at the gift shop.



<http://www.fws.gov/r5mnwr/>

(member shows cont'd)

Lindsay Adler - In addition to opening her own photo studio in Owego, NY last summer Lindsay has been very busy with lecturing and writing for numerous photo magazines. She recently was the speaker/teacher at Photo Connections in Colchester Connecticut presenting lectures on Portrait and Fashion Photography: Lighting / Posing Basics and Lightroom: Organizing and Enhancing your Images.

She is also scheduled to be a speaker at the 2010 NECCC conference in Amherst, MA. and has received a sponsorship from Miller's Lab for future speaking engagements.

A regular contributor to Popular Photography magazine her pictures and article can be found in the Picture Doctor column in issues June through October of 2009. She also has the cover photo on Shutterbugs annual Expert Photo Techniques issue.

This past summer she organized several high-end fashion shoots and brought in models from Russia, Sweden, Canada and NYC. As well as arranging for support personnel such as a makeup artist from Italy and clothing and hair stylists from around the country. This particular shoot was commissioned for fashion magazines in London, Australia, Poland and Miami.

Last but not least, Lindsay is finishing up her first book with a December 15th deadline. The book is called "Linked Photographer; New Media and Social Networking" and is due to be published in March 2010.

Pat Bonamo - Has 4 images on display at the Cooperative Gallery in Binghamton, NY and a wide array of her floral postcards for sale. She also has an extensive collection of her images on display at 'The Portal Institute's Gallery of Fine Art' located at 163 Melrose Rd. in Susquehanna, PA. The majority of her work has been purchased by the gallery and is part of their permanent display.

Geoff Gould - Has 2 images on display at the Cooperative Gallery in Binghamton, NY. Geoff will also have an individual show at the gallery starting in September 2010.

Linda Johnson - Mike Woolever - Have images at Binghamton General Hospital.

THINGS TO DO:

1st Friday Art Walk - Binghamton, NY The Press & Sun Bulletin no longer publishes the 1st Friday events in the Good Times. You can find the complete listings on the Gorgeous Washington St web site at: <http://www.gorgeouswashington.com/>

3rd Friday Art Walk / Art Talk - Owego, NY Venue listings are on the Tioga Arts Council site at: <http://tiogaartscouncil.org/tcca/>

Photography Social Networks: There are currently two local networking sites for photographers. **Matt Card**, the club's web master manages one called **The Southern Tier Photographic Society:**

<http://southerntierphotographicsociety.ning.com>

This is an invitation only site and for membership you'll need to email Matt for access at: matt@matthewcard.com

Club member **Mike Woolever** manages the other site called **The Binghamton Photo Group** at: <http://binghamtonphotogroup.ning.com/> This is a free access site but you'll need to sign up and setup a password.

Sony World Photography Awards 2010 - This is a FREE competition open to all amateurs. Deadline for submissions is January 4, 2010. For information, rules and entry forms go to: <http://www.worldphotographyawards.org/>

2010 NYS Crappie Derby - January 30, 2010 Whitney Point Lake, Whitney Point, NY information at: <http://www.crappiederby.com/>

FOR SALE: Kathy Whisman has a Nikon D-80 for sale. E mail her for info: kmwhisman@yahoo.com

In Memoriam

The club extends its deepest heartfelt sympathy to the family of Amy Burgess (Frame To Please) on the passing of her mother.

**ROBERSON PHOTO CLUB
MEETING SCHEDULE 2010**

Club Meeting - 7:00 pm
Roberson Education Center - 30 Front St
Binghamton, NY

Board Meetings - 7:00 pm
VPL - Vestal Public Library - Vestal, NY

Jan 7	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm
Jan 8	Fri	Blk / Wh - Garage Sale
Jan 16	Sat	Photo Hi-Jinx Class - VPL
Jan 22	Fri	Gallerie - Open Board Competition
Jan 30	Sat	Conventional Matting Class - VPL
Feb 4	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm
Feb 6	Sat	Digital Matting Class - VPL
Feb 12	Fri	Salon - Open Board Competition
Feb 20	Sat	Photo Retouch Class - VPL
Feb 26	Fri	Gallerie - Open Board Competition
Mar 4	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm
Mar 12	Fri	Salon Open Board Competition
Mar 6	Sat	PhotoShop Elements Class - VPL
Mar 26	Fri	Gallerie Open Board Competition
Apr 1	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm
Apr 17	Sat	RPC Teach-In Featuring Ben Willmore PhotoShop for Photographers SUNY - Binghamton, NY
Apr 23	Fri	Gallerie & Salon - Closed Board Subject: Re-Do End Of Year Submissions
May 6	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm
May 14	Fri	RPC End Of Year Diner
June 3	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm
July	----	No Meeting
Aug 5	Thu	RPC Board Meeting Brad Marple / Warren Center, PA 7pm
Sept 2	Thu	RPC Board Meeting - VPL - 7:00 pm

WEB SITE: www.rpcphoto.org



PPSNYS 2009 Annual
Convention & Trade Show
March 26-29, 2010



The Desmond Hotel
660 Albany-Shaker Rd, Albany, NY
Web Site: www.ppsnys.com

2009 NECCC - New England
Camera Club Council
July 10-12, 2009



University of Massachusetts
UMass - Amherst, MA
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Academic A Bldg. Room G08

Early Registration - \$75
Late Registration - \$99

Info: www.rpcphoto.org or 607-625-4767

Photoshop Hall of Fame instructor, **Ben Willmore**, has taught over 80,000 Photoshop users on five continents. His best selling books, DVD’s, and hit seminars have established Ben as one of America’s favorite Photoshop instructors. He writes for numerous digital imaging publications including a monthly column for **Photoshop User** magazine. His seminars have helped thousands of photographers make the transition from blindly following step-by-step techniques, to “Ah-ha I finally get PHOTOSHOP.”

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Roberson Photo Club 2010 Teach-In Registration
April 17, 2010 - Ben Willmore - SUNY Binghamton, NY

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone#: _____ E-Mail: _____

I Have : Photoshop Elements Lightroom None

Amount Enclosed: \$ 75.00 (before 3/27/10) \$ 99.00 (after 3/27/10)

Mail to: Bill Baburchak **Make Check out to PC FUND**
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Apalachin, NY 13732