

# THE PROOF SHEET

## Calendar of Club Events:

- October 4, 7:30**  
Program Night  
Manassas City Hall
- October 6, 1:00-4:30**  
Meet, Greet, Mat & Compete  
Manassas Police Station
- October 18, 7:30**  
Competition Night  
Manassas City Hall
- October 20**  
Bridge Day  
Fayetteville, WV
- November 3**  
Andre Gallant Seminar  
8:00am-4:30pm  
Ferlazzo Building
- November 11, 2007**  
Green Spring Gardens  
Alexandria, VA

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## President's Corner by Andy Jezioro

I was pleased to see so many new members at the September meeting. We are holding an event called Meet, Greet, Mat and Compete on October 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 4:30. The purpose of this workshop is to get new members ready for club competitions. It also provides us with an opportunity for new and older members to meet each other. I would encourage as many of our members to participate as possible. Dee Akers will lead the workshop, and afterwards, there will be an opportunity to socialize at a local restaurant.

October is a great time to get outside and make some great images. The air is cool and crisp. Often there is a wonderful morning fog. Fall foliage provides a wonderful palate of color. There are balloon festivals, pumpkins, Halloween decorations, and even the possibility of late night auroras. In short, there is something for every taste and interest.

If you are interested in photographing auroras, meteor showers or other heavenly wonders, I would recommend that you bookmark the web site <http://www.spaceweather.com> and check it often. If you are interested in photographing the moon or the sun and want to know where and when the sun and moon rise on any day, I can recommend a great piece of software called Heavenly Opportunity. You can download a copy from <http://weba.ViaWest.net/~fcs/ho> You can try it before you buy it, and it is very reasonably priced at \$24.95.

My goal this year is to offer something for every photographic taste. If you want to learn more about some photographic technique, contact Max English, our workshop coordinator. He is always looking for workshop ideas. By the way, if you are skilled in a particular technique, don't be shy about leading a workshop yourself. Karen Rexrode is our field trip coordinator. Let her know if there is some place that would make a good location for a field trip; you can also let her know if you are interested in leading a field trip. If you found a good tip or purchased a new piece of equipment, write a short article for the newsletter and share your information with the group. Articles need not be long. A few paragraphs will get the point across. Finally, don't forget the resources of our lending library - The Joe Harper Memorial Library. We have over 100 books in the library which is available every general meeting night. If you have a good book that you are no longer using, consider donating it to the library. Remember, it's never really gone when you donate it. If you ever need to refer to the book, you can always check it out.

I've started book marking web sites for locations that look like promising photo opportunities. I would like to see all club members contribute similar information that we could compile into a valuable club resource. We could compile a list of the best times to photograph certain locations, best places to photograph certain flowers along with their approximate bloom dates. What about a list of antique car shows, barn and historic home tours? The list goes on and on. This information would not only help all members find new places to shoot, but could be a great resource for field trip managers. If any members are interested in participating in this project, please see me at the October meeting.

That's it for this month. Remember - "Have fun and take pictures!"

## OCTOBER COMPETITION- SELECTIVE FOCUS

### MEET OUR JUDGE—ED FUNK

Hello All! The judge for this month's competition is a well known, inspirational photographer who has taught photography all over the country...Italy, Turkey, England, and Germany, to name a few. He is a past president of the Northern Virginia Photographic Society and has been named "Photographer of the Year" six times. He has been a versatile photographer and writer for over thirty years producing impact images and travel articles. This month's competition judge for the theme of "Selective Focus" is.....Ed Funk!!!

Ed's view on creative vision: Creative vision for some people is a "gift" that comes naturally. I have found that what is often perceived to be creative vision is in reality creative "technique." My earliest creative work came not from vision but from the development of my photographic "craft/technique." My creative vision developed slowly over a long period of time. I was largely unaware of the subtle changes as they were taking place. It was only after studying with Canadian photographer Freeman Patterson that I began to understand the nature of my developing creative vision. When I began re-organizing and cataloging my work, from the early days up to the present, the changing nature of my work and vision became apparent. Freeman Patterson said he can see his personal development including major life changing events when he reviews his work in a time line. I believe this is true for most artists who have been working over a long period of time. Life experiences are reflected in their work. Photography for me began with nature because of my love for the outdoors and quickly included travel photography. Today I see images everywhere! Often when a scene or object captures my attention I try to abstract the strongest element and present it in a way that the viewer might feel the emotion that I felt at that moment. This is the essence of my work.

Ed has been influenced by the writings and teachings of Freeman Patterson, Joseph Miller, Ernst Haas, John Shaw, Bill Allard and others. Please feel free to check out his website to learn more about this award winning photographer and to see some of his amazing images, <http://www.edfunkphotography.com>.

## Membership Information

**Visitors and Guests are always welcome!**

### Annual Dues

**Single \$30.00**

**Additional Family Members (Spouse/Children) \$15.00**

**Students (High School or College students carrying at least 9 semester hours) \$15.00**

We are always happy to see new faces at our meetings. If you feel you might be interested in joining our Club, please feel free to attend any of our meetings and check us out. Membership applications will be available at each meeting. Doors open at 7:00, which will give you plenty of time to fill out the form and meet some of our members. Our meetings begin at 7:30. [Click here for directions to the Manassas City Hall.](#)

If you are an existing member, we encourage you to pay your annual dues as soon as possible. If you want to participate in the club competitions, you must be a member in good standing and have paid your annual dues.

**We look forward to seeing you and beginning another great year.**



## **2007-2008 COMPETITION SCHEDULE**

| <b>DATE</b> | <b>THEME</b>    |
|-------------|-----------------|
| September   | Open            |
| October     | Selective Focus |
| November    | Nature          |
| December    | Open            |
| January     | Food/Beverage   |
| February    | Open            |
| March       | People          |
| April       | Reflections     |
| May         | Open            |

Judges, along with a profile, will be announced each month in the newsletter.

## **2007-2008 PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

| <b>DATE</b> | <b>SPEAKER</b> | <b>TOPIC</b>   | <b>WEBSITE</b>  |
|-------------|----------------|--|---|
| September   | Ian Plant      | Publishing photography - how to get your work in print | <a href="http://ipphotography.com/">http://ipphotography.com/</a>             |
| October     | Josh Taylor    | TBA  | <a href="http://archiphotoworkshops.com/">http://archiphotoworkshops.com/</a> |
| November    | Corey Hilz     | Montages, multiples and Photoshop techniques           | <a href="http://coreyhilz.com/">http://coreyhilz.com/</a>                     |
| January     | TBA            |  |   |
| February    | TBA            |  |   |
| March       | TBA            |  |   |
| April       | TBA            |  |   |
| May         | TBA            |  |   |

We encourage you to take some time to view each of the speakers' web sites to gain insight on the photographer and their work.



## "Meet, Greet, Mat & Compete" With Dee Akers

We will have a mat cutting workshop at the Manassas Police station.

The workshop will be held from 1:00-4:30pm Saturday afternoon on October 6th. This is the perfect workshop for those of you who would like to learn how to cut your own mats. It can save you a lot of money and keep you from having to purchase mats that have pre-cut openings. You will be amazed at what you can do with your pictures by cropping out unwanted areas with a custom cut mat.

Bring several photos to be matted, any mat cutting tools you have, and a piece of mat board. Remember you need white mat board if you will be matting your image for Meadowlark. I will supply practice pieces of mat board, adhesive, tape, backing, and my cutting tools. Local sources for mat board include Taboret (old town Manassas behind Cramer Center at 9007 Church St, Manassas, 20110 - (703) 330-6051), AC Moore, and Michaels.

If you would like to attend please contact Dee Akers at: [ladeeda@starpower.net](mailto:ladeeda@starpower.net)

Experienced mat cutters are welcome to come help out.

Directions to the police station: Follow Route 28 South into Manassas. Turn left at the intersection of Sudley Road / Prescott Ave and Route 28. Follow Prescott around a sharp bend and turn left at the stoplight. The Police Station is on the right. 9518 Fairview Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110

## 2007-08 Club Project

At the September meeting, We asked members to vote on the club project. The club project is an opportunity for the membership to work on a theme over the entire year. Unlike competition themes that run for a single month, the club project is intended to allow us the luxury of a long term involvement with some aspect of photography. Last year, our club project involved taking images within Prince William County. All of the member's images were presented at the May meeting. The best 20 images as judged by the membership were framed and placed on permanent exhibition at the Prince William County Senior Center in Manassas. Before presenting the images to the center, they were on display at our annual awards banquet.

### Voting Results: Crayola Crayon

At our last meeting, each member had the opportunity to draw their crayon which will represent their "color" for the year. Your photos should be inspired by the name of the color. You can shoot only the crayon (great macro project) or use just that color as the theme in all their images for the year. At the end of the year we will present our "rainbow of color".

If you did not have the opportunity to select your "color of the year" at our last meeting, please take the time at our October meetings to do so. This is a great opportunity to participate in a club activity and stretch your photographic imagination.



## 2008-09 Competition Themes

I would like to start by thanking everyone who contributed to the 2008-2009 club themes. I received approximately 40-45 theme suggestions from all of you, which I was able to combine and narrow down to the 16 themes that we voted on. All of the votes are in, and by an astounding vote, the winners...by a mile...are:

Junk, Tools, & Machinery

Wind, Water, Earth, & Fire

Modes of Transportation

Rhythm & Symmetry

I look forward to seeing what each of you comes up with, so as Andy would say, have fun and take pictures.

Jen Carpenter



## MWCC Field Trips

### October 20th, 2007 (Saturday) —Bridge Day

I have attended this event for the last 2 years and not only is it a lot of fun but there are lots of fabulous places to photograph nearby as well as on the way to and from Fayetteville, West Virginia. The famous Glade Creek Grist Mill is very near by - <http://www.babcocksp.com/> as well as Cranberry Glades - <http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/sp/>

[cranberry\\_glades.html](http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/sp/dolly_sods_wilderness.htm) and Dolly Sods is an easy side trip for the drive home - [http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/sp/dolly\\_sods\\_wilderness.htm](http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/sp/dolly_sods_wilderness.htm)

Bridge Day - <http://www.bridgeday.info/> draws a big crowd and local hotels fill up for the event. I suggest that anyone that plans on attending book a hotel room now. Here is a link to hotels and motels - <http://hotel-guides.us/west-virginia/summersville-wv-hotels.html>. I will be staying at the Hampton Inn in Summersville, phone # 304-872-7100 for Friday and Saturday night. Summersville is a perfect location as the bridge is just down the road 20 miles (South). Plan on bringing your very fastest lens to shoot jumpers on Bridge Day. Arrive at 9:00 AM, or before, to get on the bridge as it opens. They are restricting camera bags so make sure you have a lens that can multi-task or have a camera vest to pack more. Tripods won't work with that many people around unless you want to situate yourself at the end of the bridge with a 500MM (or more) lens. There are always opportunities to take pictures of the jumpers as they are lined up. A consideration for our theme of "People" for the upcoming competition year. The timing for this event is also great for fall color so plan on allowing yourself extra time to drive there (or back) because you will find the surrounding color irresistible. We can meet in the evening for dinner the Friday before in Summersville, so I can brief everyone on what will happen on Saturday as well as Saturday evening. It's a lot of fun.

### November 11, 2007—Green Spring Gardens

Early morning shoot - 7:30 AM. This park is located on the edge of Annandale and Alexandria. The address is: 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria, VA 22312. The easiest way to get there is from the beltway (495), exit 52 A-B, toward Annandale. Go 3.3 miles on Little River Turnpike or 236, left on Braddock and right on Witch Hazel Rd. The gate to the park will probably be closed but there are parking places on both sides, before the gate. Park is open from dawn to dusk. Sunrise is at 6:46 AM. Bring tripod and various lenses. Many things to take pictures of, the Northern Virginia Photographic Society meets there every month.

## A Photography Seminar With André Gallant November 3, 2007

Featuring:

Travel photography  
People Photography  
Slide-montages  
Digital Photography  
Self-assignments  
Lens Selection  
Tripods  
Macro-photography  
Field Problems and Solutions



### and his Creative Photography

The Manassas-Warrenton Camera Club is proud to present a photography seminar titled “Dreamscapes and Destinations” presented by André Gallant, a well known and world class photographer.

Location: Ferlazzo Office Building Auditorium  
Prince William County  
15941 Donald Curtis Drive  
Woodbridge, VA

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM with the doors opening at 8:00 AM  
(1 ½ hour lunch break)

The auditorium has theater seating, handicapped seating areas, and ample free parking. The seminar's prices are \$60.00 through September 30 and \$70.00 after that date. Payment must be by cash or check (payable to MWCC Seminars) only. Students will be given a \$10.00 discount and must present their student ID card at the door. After registering, the attendees will be sent tickets, directions to the building, and a listing of hotels in the area if you wish to stay overnight. An application form for tickets and additional information can be found at <http://www.mwcc-photo.org>. Additional Information will be mailed to all camera clubs in time for their September 2007 meeting.

Coffee, tea, and pastries in the morning and afternoon beverages are included in the price and the Café in the building will be open for breakfast and lunch. There are several restaurants within 3 miles of the building where you can purchase lunch.

Several door prizes have been donated by Photo Art Imaging ([www.EnlargePhotos.com](http://www.EnlargePhotos.com)), Virginia Digital Photo Safaris ([www.vasafaris.com](http://www.vasafaris.com)), and Frame and Design of Burke, VA.

For further information or to answer your questions, contact Gordon Tassi at [gtassi22193@comcast.net](mailto:gtassi22193@comcast.net).

## Seminars & Events

### Virginia Digital Photo Safaris

Virginia Digital Photo Safaris™ is the Northern Virginia's leading provider of digital field trips. We have been giving tours for over 5 years. We offer 8 unique itineraries including half-day, full-day and multi-day photo safaris. We specialize in digital photography, but you are welcome to use any camera.

Upcoming Events:

Shenandoah Balloon Festival—October 20th  
Meadowlark Gardens Fall—October 27th  
Chincoteague NWR—November 2nd-4th  
Blackwater Wildlife Refuge—December 1st

If you are interested in participating in any of these safaris, please visit [Virginia Digital Photo Safaris](http://www.vasafaris.com/calendar.htm) (<http://www.vasafaris.com/calendar.htm>) for more information.

### Costa Rica Photo Tours

Next season, 2008, is going to be an exciting year for Costa Rica Photo Tours. Along with the regular tours in January, February, March and July we are adding a special tour to Panama in February. Another big change for next season is that all the tours will be a combination land and air, to eliminate half of driving and increasing the amount of shooting time. Every day is an adventure. One day this year, for about forty five minutes, we were surrounded by 3 of the 4 types of monkeys indigenous to Costa Rica. What a wonderful photo opportunity this was. Available upon request is a detail itinerary of these tours. Visit my web site now [www.crphototours.com](http://www.crphototours.com) for more information and prices. One of this years participants wrote "Your local knowledge of Costa Rica and your truly professional manner in handling the tour made it a most memorable experience for me and I am sure for everyone" Van Christous, Alberta, Canada. As in past years there is a discount for groups of six or more for all camera club members. Should you have any questions please contact me.

Happy shooting,  
Frank Scott  
Ojochal, Costa Rica  
[fscott@crphototours.com](mailto:fscott@crphototours.com)

### The Corcoran Gallery Presents:

Annie Leibovitz—A Photographer's Life, 1990--2005

October 13, 2007 -- January 13, 2008

Ansel Adams Exhibit at Corcoran Gallery

September 15, 2007 -- January 27, 2008

For more information on these exhibits and to purchase tickets visit the [Corcoran Gallery Website](#).

## Exploring the WWW of Photography

Each month we would like to feature websites that provide tutorials and information on photography. If you come across an interesting site that you would like to share with fellow club members, please send me the link with a brief description and I will include it in the next newsletter.

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**FOCUS ON FORUMS**—Forums can be quite informative when seeking advice and information regarding your photography. Here are a few that I have found which may be of interest to all:

DP Review—<http://www.dpreview.com/forums/>

Canon Digital Photography—<http://photography-on-the.net/forum/>

Nikonians—<http://www.nikonians.org/cgi-bin/dcforum/dcboard.cgi>

The Photo Forum—<http://www.thephotoforum.com/forum/>

Better Photo—<http://www.betterphoto.com/photography-forum.asp>

Large Format Photography Forum—<http://www.largeformatphotography.info/forum/>

Byte Photo—<http://www.bytephoto.com/forums/>

## Northern VA Camera Clubs (NOVACC)

### Manassas Warrenton Camera Club

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursday. at 7:30 pm, Manassas City Hall, Old Town Manassas, or as indicated.

<http://www.mwcc-photo.org/>

### McLean Photography Club

Meetings are held on the 2nd Wed. at 7:30 pm (meet & greet at 7:00 pm), at the McLean Community Center, or as indicated.

<http://www.mcleanphoto.org>

### Northern Virginia Photographic Society

Meetings are held at 7:30 pm at Dunn Loring Fire Station, 2148 Gallows Rd., Dunn Loring, Va.

<http://www.nvps.org>

### Reston Photographic Society

Meetings are held at 7:30 pm at RCC Hunters Woods, rooms 3 & 4.

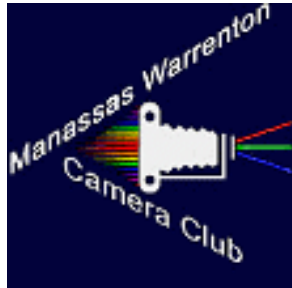
<http://www.leagueofrestonartists.org/>

### Vienna Photographic Society

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wed. at 7:30 pm in the main lecture hall of the Thoreau Middle School, 2505 Cedar Lane, Vienna, VA.

<http://www.vps-va.org>





The club year runs from September through May with an awards banquet in June. The usual schedule is the first Thursday of each month is for Programs and the third Thursday is for Competitions.

Meetings are held:

**Manassas City Hall  
9027 Center St.  
Old Town Manassas**

The doors open at 7 p.m. and the meetings start at 7:30 p.m. We also offer workshops, club field trips and an annual club assignment.

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MWCC WEB SITE

[HTTP://WWW.MWCC-PHOTO.ORG](http://www.mwcc-photo.org)

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