

Sackville Photo Club

Welcome New Members

Cover Photo by Pat O'Malley



Your First Meeting

Welcome to Sackville Photo Club

Welcome to the club, while our meetings are hybrid (you can attend online or in-person) it is recommended that you attend your first meeting in-person. The doors to the meeting open at 6:30 and there is a table where you will be welcomed. The meeting will start at roughly 7:00 PM. Prior to the meeting, please introduce yourself to other attendees. The meeting will open with a presentation by a member sharing how they got a particular shot, (these shots are chosen from images posted by our members on Facebook). After How I Got The Shot, the MC will welcome new members and guests to the meeting, followed by club business. At roughly 7:30 the presentation for the evening will begin (either a guest speaker or club member presenting). We break around 8:00 for about 10 minutes to give people a chance to get a drink or use the facilities. The presentation resumes after the break and goes to about 8:45. We will then close out the meeting by talking about the showcase (or having the showcase presentation), upcoming field trips or mentoring opportunities.

The link for the online meeting is sent out in an email prior to the meeting and can also be found on the Facebook page.

Critiques

There are several opportunities to get critiques on your images, critiques are constructive and helpful. We have a monthly (when the club is in session) event hosted by the club mentor called **Lens and Learn**. To participate in this, you submit an image to the mentor (the deadlines and timing are in the events tab on our Facebook page) and then during a 2 hour session the images are reviewed and the critique provided. You can remain anonymous if you like. You can also participate in event without submitting an image to see what it is like if you want.

Edit My Raw is a great opportunity to see how other people would process your image. It is held once a year and images are submitted to the coordinator. Each contributor will receive some images to edit. All of the edit images are sent back to the coordinator and then during a meeting we review the images and the edits and discuss the results. It is a fun event that can really help your editing skills.

Participating in Events

There is a monthly showcase (the themes are on the webpage) and you will get a reminder at the meetings of what the upcoming showcases are. You can submit up to 5 images per showcase and are encouraged to do so. The guidelines for submission are on the webpage.

Once a year there is a scavenger hunt. You will get the goals a few weeks prior to the event and then need to go get the shots.

There is also an annual photo contest with various themes, you can find the themes on the webpage along with the guidelines for submission. The image on the cover of this guide was selected as best in show from our 2025 photo contest and was taken by Pat O'Malley, one of our members.

Questions

If you have questions you can submit them to the club at communications@sackvillephotoclub.com or post them on our Facebook page and someone will get back to you.

Your First Month With The Club

In your first month with the club it is recommended that you attend at least one meeting in person as this is the best way to introduce yourself to the club and to get to know some of the members.

It is a good idea to submit images to the showcase, even if you only have one image that fits the theme, go ahead and submit it. We accept anonymous submissions to the showcase if you are more comfortable with this.

If there is a field trip the month you join, it is advised that you participate in it. If you need transportation you can usually find a member to help. The field trips are a great way to

meet people and depending on the size of the group and the number of attendees, we frequently go for coffee afterwards which also helps you to get to know people.

It is also a good idea to post an image on the Facebook page as this will also help people to get to know you and you never know your image might be chosen as the image for "How I Got The Shot".

Club Leadership Team

President: Shawn Wyrozub president@sackvillephotoclub.com

Vice President: Mark Klaamas vicepresident@sackvillephotoclub.com

Treasurer: Tina Nicks treasurer@sackvillephotoclub.com

Secretary: James Somers secretary@sackvillephotoclub.com

Program Coordinator: David Adamson program@sackvillephotoclub.com

Member At Large: Darrel Nicks mal@sackvillephotoclub.com

Membership Coordinator: Erica Allmark membership@sackvillephotoclub.com

Mentorship Coordinator: Darren Lightfoot mentorship@sackvillephotoclub.com

Field Trip Coordinator: Peter Steeper fieldtrips@sackvillephotoclub.com

Other Key Resources and Emails

General Email: communications@sackvillephotoclub.com

Monthly Showcase: showcase@sackvillephotoclub.com

Annual Contest: contest@sackvillephotoclub.com

The most important resource is the clubs web page <https://sackvillephotoclub.com>, it is a great source for information on the club. You'll find the meeting schedule, showcase themes, annual contest categories and more.

The second best source of information is the clubs private Facebook page, where you find event reminders and the link for the meeting.

Words of Wisdom: a newsletter for weeks when we don't have a meeting that has tech tips, and key resources to help you grow as a photographer. Old newsletters can be found on the Facebook page as a PDF.

Instagram: we have an Instagram site and you can tag us on Instagram #sackvillephotographyclub.

Last Thoughts

Like any organization, you get out of it what you put into it. As a member of the club if we aren't meeting your needs let us know, if you have ideas or suggestions please share them with us.