The CMC Photo Section is committed to helping people improve their outdoor photography skills and provide photographic opportunities through meetings, classes, social events and photo hikes. The section’s instruction focuses primarily on how to capture better nature photographs. This is not to say that gear and software instruction is not provided, but that we are focused on how to achieve photographic results. The section includes individuals of all skill levels from beginners to professionals.

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**2016 Monthly Meetings**

**2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.**

AMC, 710 10th St. #200, Golden, CO

$20 Annual Dues

Meeting WEDNESDAY, December 14, 7:00 p.m.

**December Meeting**

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**Colorado Photographic Arts Center offers classes and workshops**
http://www.cpacphoto.org

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At our November meeting, instead of our usual image critique, we had an anonymous internal photo contest. Participants were given image evaluation guidelines for five categories: Impact, Technical, Creativity, Composition and Center of Interest, along with score sheets. Each category was scored from 1 to 10 for each image and then totaled. To ensure anonymity, images were numbered.

The results of this contest are shown on pages 8-23. Each image was numbered when received and was judged on five guidelines: impact, technical excellence, creativity, composition and center of interest. Each guideline received a score between 1 and 10, with 10 being the highest. The highest possible score per image was 50. All scores for each image were tallied and averaged to arrive at the final scores. For each image, the first number in orange indicates the ranking. It is followed by the number given to the image in the contest (in white or black) and the total number of points.

The top ten photos were taken by John Kieffer (3), Alex Clymer (1), Alan Lipkin (1), Selma Kristel (1), Janice Bennett (3), and John Helfrich (1). This exercise was intended to be educational by helping us apply objective criteria in judging an image using Professional Photographers of America (PPA) guidelines: Impact, Technical Excellence, Creativity, Composition, and Center of Interest.

RMOTHG Jay's and Walter's Cabins Snowshoe Hut Trip
(Two Nights -- Easy Snowshoe)

Photographers, there are some beds available for a CMC hut trip in January, so we are extending the offering to the Photo Section membership. There are already a few section members attending, and we hope to have some nice photo opportunities. There will be day hikes as well as sunrise/sunset opportunities during our stay. If you have any questions, give Frank a call at 720-254-4096. Additional details are also within the trip description at the link provided below. The cost is $106, sign up via CMC web site.

Mileage: 2.7 miles One-Way
Elevation Gain: 695 feet
Sign-up Link: https://www.cmc.org/Calendar/EventDetails.aspx?ID=34742

Leader: Carole Adler
Co-Leader: Frank Burzynski
Creative (Outdoor) Photo Editing and Sharing Class

The CMC Photography Section is again presenting a creative photo organization, editing and sharing class. The class will focus on getting your images from your camera to your computer, how to find the best images, and how to make these images shine by editing digitally.

We will also show you how to share these images with friends and family through social media, websites, email, TV, and even old-fashioned physical prints. It is amazing how much you can improve your images by a few simple edits and by being selective in what you show.

The class is given in three evening sessions and includes lots of hands-on instruction, with ample opportunity to try out the concepts taught with your own images.

The software packages we will use to demonstrate these concepts are Adobe’s Lightroom and Photoshop. This is an introduction to Lightroom that also includes more advanced features on editing images.

Bring your laptop loaded with your images if you want to follow along. The class will be held on Tuesday, February 21, Wednesday, February 22, and Tuesday February 28, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the AMC. Cost is $40 for the six-hour class. Email Jao if you have questions: jvandela@gmail.com.
Photo Section Presentation February 8, 2017

Ancient Skies through Ancient Eyes multi-media presentation

Based on the book of the same name by photographer
Bob Maynard and naturalist Cindy Maynard

The presentation is a multi-media format that mixes a Power Point program with soundtrack and
dialog, interspersed with in-person commentary by Bob Maynard. It's about archaeoastronomy and
night photography in the desert southwest, along with the cultural context of the images. It covers
Canyonlands, Arches, Cedar Mesa, Monument Valley, Canyon of the Ancients, Nine Mile Canyon
and the Page, Arizona slot canyons.

Since starting Colorado Plateau Photo Tours in 2009, when he worked only in Rocky Mountain
National Park, Bob Maynard has expanded that business to include Yellowstone and the Grand
Tetons, the Grand Canyon, the Everglades, Mesa Verde, Hovenweep, Sand Dunes, Canyonlands
and Arches National Parks and works extensively throughout the desert southwest in Utah and
Arizona. His 31-piece exhibit The Magic of the Desert Southwest, hung in the Edge of Cedars
Museum in Utah throughout 2014. He has accumulated over 1500 photo credits and his images
have appeared in Audubon, Rocky Mountain Raptor Center publications Southwest
Archaeology and Boulder County Open Space publications. He was Chairman of the Louisville
National Juried Photography Show from 2010 - 2014.

Cindy Maynard has been a volunteer naturalist for Boulder County Open Space since 2002 and
has taught classes on dozens of natural history topics. She is a regular contributor to Images
Magazine, published by Boulder County. She has served on the Board of Directors for the
Colorado Audubon Society, Boulder County Nature Association and Boulder County Audubon
Society. She has extensive experience teaching and writing about the natural world.
Ancient Skies Through Ancient Eyes

Night Photography in the Desert Southwest

Colorado Plateau Publishing – 100 pages
Full Color 9 x 12 coffee table book with laminated cover
Printed on heavy, glossy stock
$22.95 / $3.99 Shipping and Handling
Kevin Cook, from the Rocky Mountain Conservancy, presents “Secret Places of Rocky Mountain National Park.” At right, he speaks with CMC member John Walters.

The 2016 Volunteer of the Year award is presented to CMC member, Tim Musil, by Joe Griffith. At right, Ron Hileman volunteers at our CMC Photography Section table, which featured a computer display of members’ photos.

Photos for the event were taken by Janice Bennett
Websites Recommended by Members

lightstalking.com  Tips and tutorials, feedback, and downloadable photo goodies.

essential-photoshop-elements.com  Photoshop Elements 13 tutorials by Rick Peterson

divephotoguide.com  Contains photos, trips and photo techniques by Matt Weiss. While it is written for underwater photographers, it is quite well done and some of the information is universal.

lenscratch.com  A very good comprehensive website about photography. They have a new photographer every day, plus much more, including online exhibitions that you can be a part of, links to other websites, and shows to enter. It has constantly rated as one of the best websites for photography in the world.

photoeye.com/bookstore/index.cfm  Photoeye Book Store, a great site about all sorts of photo books, one of the best for this subject.

muybridgeshorse.com  Muybridge’s Horse is a newer website devoted to animal photography and art. The young woman who started it went to school at CU.

newlandscapephotography.com  New Landscape Photography is just that—a site about landscape photography. It has a new photographer once or twice a week and is also a Facebook group where anyone can upload photos.

featureshoot.com/2014/02/52-photo-sites-get-inspired/#!vkVXB  Feature Shoot, with a list to 50 more.

the-digital-picture.com  Canon data including Zeiss, etc.

imaging-resource.com  Detailed analysis of cameras and lenses.

luminous-landscape.com  Techniques, tutorials, essays and reviews.

app.photoephemeris.com  Sun and moon data displayed on a map.

dpreview.com  General and specific topics of interest to photographers including excellent, thorough reviews.

dxomark.com  Excellent technical data on cameras and lenses.

coloradocaptures.com  General and specific topics of interest to photographers.

shadowhousecreations.blogspot.com  Creative resources for artistic people. Free textures, brushes, tips and tutorials from photo artist Jerry Jones.

brusheezy.com  Free Photoshop brushes, textures, patterns, and graphics.
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craigfagerness.com

John Kieffer
outsideimagery.com

Photo Section Newsletter

Photo Section Newsletter Archives
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2016 Photo Section Interest Survey

What are your favorite photographic subjects, i.e., what do you like to photograph?

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What are your photographic interests?
- Capturing a moment, images that evoke a feeling, images that make you pause and think.
- Landscapes, Wildlife, Insects, Flowers, Mountains, Birds, Pets, Plants, People, Grandkids
- Getting outdoors into nature with other photographers
- Travel
- Shape/line/texture/color

What are your favorite Colorado destinations for photography?
- Alpine lakes
- Crested Butte, Dallas Divide, Ridgeway
- Gore Range, Summit and Eagle counties.
- Roxborough SP Douglas County open space parks
- Indian Peaks Wilderness, San Juans, Sand Dunes
- Colorado Nat'l Monument
- Western slope
- Aspen
- Rocky Mtn Arsenal
- any place off the beaten path
- Rocky Mountain National Park
Do you prefer weekend or weekday photo excursions?

- Weekend: 7 (28%)
- Weekday: 11 (44%)
- Other: 7 (28%)

How do you classify your photographic skills?

- Novice: 4 (15.4%)
- Intermediate: 17 (65.4%)
- Expert: 5 (19.2%)

What type of camera do you use?

- DSLR: 23 (88.5%)
- Point and Shoot: 10 (38.5%)
- Other: 4 (15.4%)

Do you shoot raw or JPEG format images?

- Raw: 19 (73.1%)
- JPEG: 14 (53.8%)

Do you post process your images? If so, please indicate which programs you use.

- Adobe Elements: 5 (20.8%)
- Adobe Lightroom: 18 (75%)
- Adobe Photoshop: 13 (54.2%)
- iPhoto: 1 (4.2%)
- Picasa: 2 (8.3%)
- Other: 5 (20.8%)

What are your section priorities?

- Social Interaction: 17 (65.4%)
- Photo Excursions: 19 (73.1%)
- Contacts: 5 (19.2%)
- Education: 22 (84.6%)
- Group Knowledge: 7 (26.9%)
- Other: 0 (0%)
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2  #29  43.5
17  #9  35.7

18  #18  35.4
21 #13 33.9

22 #16 33.3