



# METRO CAMERA CLUB

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# Oklahoma City

- Meetings At 7 PM
- March 13 – PDI Competition
- March 27<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> Speaker
- Will Rogers Park Exhibition Hall
- 3400 NW 36<sup>th</sup> St.
- Oklahoma City, Ok
- Visitors Welcome

## • 2023 Slate of Officers

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| • John Williams  | Competition/Stats      |
| • Jack Delisle   | Webmaster/Directory    |
| • John Bowman    | Field Trip             |

## Field Trip

March 25<sup>th</sup>

State Capitol

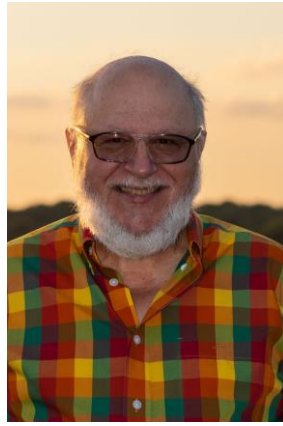
10 AM (At West Door)

Great chance to photograph the  
newly renovated Capitol



February Group  
Myriad Gardens

March Speaker  
Steven Hunter



The program for March 27<sup>th</sup> is entitled "Let There Be Light - Nature Photography by Steven Hunter" and will be a beautiful slide program showcasing Steven's nature photography images taken over the past twenty years with an emphasis his recent work. The images will encompass western Arkansas and all of Oklahoma. You will be treated to cloud-filled landscapes; beautiful and rare wildflowers; butterflies; evocative wildlife portraits; and colorful, amazing birds. Steven will share the stories behind many of the pictures during the program and will field questions afterwards. Books will be available for sale and autographing.

Steven Hunter's bio: For most of my life I have lived in the Fort Smith/Van Buren area of Western Arkansas, and not long ago my wife Karen and I moved to the small town of Charleston which has a special place in my heart because it is close to Mount Magazine State Park and the Cherokee Prairies, places that inspired my first two books: *Mount Magazine*, *Looking for the Light, a Photographer's Journey*, and *Graced by the Light, the Cherokee Prairies*. I have spent years photographing them and plan to keep doing so.

- March Speaker (continued)

Arkansas is my home, but the past few years have found me working extensively in Oklahoma, a state which, I believe, is underrepresented by nature photography. My third book, *The Wichita Mountains, an Oklahoma Treasure* has been well received, encouraging me to pursue a nature photography book representing the entire state. *Let There Be Light, Images of Oklahoma* will be published in 2023, fulfilling a long-held dream.

I prefer not to try to pinpoint the exact kind of nature photographer I am as I am equally at home taking macro shots, landscapes, wildlife, or birds. Each requires its own set of skills, each is demanding, and each has its own set of rewards. I enjoy them all. Whatever the genre, the goal is excellence.

Life as a nature photographer has not always been sunshine and butterflies for me; I have lived with depression most of my life. During a major depressive episode in 2001 God prompted me to pursue nature photography as a calling. Another episode, in 2021, brought me closer to Him and convinced me that I am to use my photographic gifts and talents to honor Him and to encourage others who are struggling. I continue to pursue my calling with proper medical care, and with the love and support of Karen, family, church, and my heavenly Father. May you find encouragement, hope, and joy in the beauty of God's creation and my words.

# February Competition

2023-02 BW Print Competition				
Class	Score	Rank	Photo_Name	Last
A	11	1	REMNANT OF THE CHAPEL	SAM HYDEN
A	11	1	CATCHING RAYS	SAM HYDEN
A	9	2	IN A MOOD	SAM HYDEN
AAA	13	1	NATHAN AND BETHANY	BRYAN HAPKE
AAA	13	1	WINDOW TO THE SOUL	BRYAN HAPKE
AAA	11	2	NAIL HEAD	BRYAN HAPKE
AAA	9	3	WATER TOWER CONSTRUCTION	BRYAN HAPKE
AAAA	14	1	DUSK IN ATLANTA	CARL SHORTT JR
AAAA	14	1	FULLY ENGAGED	CARL SHORTT JR
AAAA	12	2	TWO GYMS OF OUR CITY	CARL SHORTT JR
AAAA	11	3	A DOOR TO THE PAST	CARL SHORTT JR
AAAA	11	3	NO BENCHWARMERS TODAY	PAUL JOHNSON
AAAA	11	3	THE PERFECT NAME	PAUL JOHNSON

# February competition

2023-02 Color Print Competition				
Class	Score	Rank	Photo_Name	Last
A	12	1	OUT ON A LEDGE	SAM HYDEN
A	12	1	CLASSIC BEAUTY	SAM HYDEN
A	10	2	FLORAL ABSTRACT	SAM HYDEN
A	9	3	SISTERS	TIDWELL
AAA	11	1	COLORFUL STREET	BRYAN HAPKE
AAA <sup>1</sup>	11	1	DAWN BALLOON	BRYAN HAPKE
AAA	11	1	MOUNT DEBORAH	BRYAN HAPKE
AAA	10	2	CLIFFS AND POOL	BRYAN HAPKE
AAAA	13	1	GRAVITATIONAL PULL	JR
AAAA	12	2	A FIELD OF FLOWERS	JR
AAAA	12	2	ELIXIR OF LIFE	JOE WILSON
AAAA	11	3	STRANGE BLOOM	JOE WILSON
AAAA	11	3	FALL COLOR	JOE WILSON
AAAA	11	3	READY FOR SPRING	JR
AAAA	10 <sup>1</sup>		YELLOW #75	JR
AAAA	10		RIVER VIEW FROM 1000 FEET	JOE WILSON
AAAA	10		CANDLES AND ROSES	JOHNSON
AAAA	9		EARLY SNOW	JOHNSON
AAAA	9		SEA TURTLE AT JENKS-OK	KAY MCKINNIS
AAAA	9		1ST HOME BUILT BY GEORGE M. MURRELL-1848-TAHLEQUAH-OK	KAY MCKINNIS
AAAA	9		CHRISTMAS POSTAL BOX COVER	KAY MCKINNIS
AAAA	8		1800'S ROPE SLATS TRUNDLE BED	KAY MCKINNIS

# February Competition

2023-02 Slide Competition				
Class	Score	Rank	Photo_Name	Last
A	13	1	FINDING A WAY	TERRAN TIDWELL
A	12	2	SUMMER HARVEST	SAM HYDEN
A	11	3	NATURES SYMMENTRY	SAM HYDEN
A	10		PYRO	TERRAN TIDWELL
A	9		SUNSET BUOYS	SAM HYDEN
AAAA	12	1	FIRST LIGHT	JOE WILSON
AAAA	11	2	Cute Clown	BILL WEBSTER
AAAA	10	3	SUNSET ON DAM	JOE WILSON
AAAA	9		Different Worlds	BILL WEBSTER
AAAA	9		Sea Coral	BILL WEBSTER
AAAA	9		SERENTITY	JOE WILSON
AAAA	9		MORQN REFLECTION	JOE WILSON

## February Judges

DON RISI, DIANA BITTLE AND  
ROBERT THOMPSON

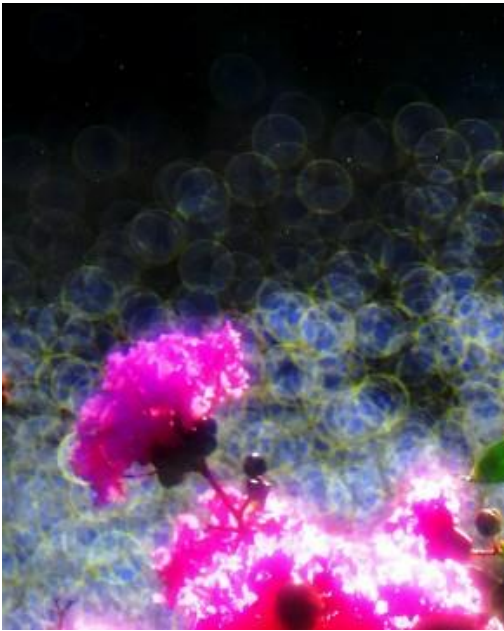


# Memories from the MCC Portrait/Tabletop Seminar





# March Gallery



# March Gallery (Continued)



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# March Gallery (continued)



# March Gallery (Continued)





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March 2025 Contact Sheet



# March Gallary (Continued)







# March Gallery (continued)





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