



### Action Items this issue



... **Attend** our special meeting with  
Bryan Peterson January 9

... **Sign up** for the next field trips

... **Enter** the January competition

## President's Message

First, a big THANKS to all the folks that put together our holiday party. It was fun, relaxing and had lots of good food. I hope Santa was good to everyone, and you all received everything photographic on your wish list. If you are like me, and "hard to buy a gift for", this is the season to say, just get me this particular camera, lens, new software, etc and I'll be very happy. This keeps it simple for my wife. She has kids and grandkids to buy gifts for, so I insist on keeping it simple for my gift, no matter how much it costs. After all, xmas is only once a year.

Now that you have that new photography gear, it is time to be creative and take some pictures. The warm weather may entice you to the outdoors, but spend some time indoors & create a "Still Life" table top scene. In fact, create several still life scenes and pick your favorite to enter in our Jan "digital" image competition. The



possibilities are endless. Window light works well or play with artificial light. Better yet, try both. It's an opportunity to practice & learn. And to make it easy, no need to print and mat your image.

Just a quick reminder, we have an extra program on Monday, Jan 9th at 7 pm. This is a presentation you don't want to miss. All the info can be found [below](#). I hope everyone had a joyous holiday. I'm looking forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

--Fred Chitty

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## Field trips

### January 27: Sun City Model Railroad

We will visit the Model Train display on Red Dam Rd. at 10 am on January 27. We will be hosted by the Model RR Club of Sun City. Because of the size of the facility, this trip is limited to 10 people. We plan on carpooling and will **meet at Lowes at**



**9:30.** We will have lunch at 12:30 at the Okatie Ale House and should be back to Lowes by 2:00. Passes will be called in to the gate at Sun City for drivers.

***The date has been changed from the 20th to the 27th so as not to conflict with the Presidential Inauguration***

### February 3: Wormsloe State Historic Park Colonial Faire and Muster Celebration

We will be visiting this annual celebration at this Georgia State Park which is the 18<sup>th</sup> Century Colonial Wormsloe Plantation. Re-enactors in period costume will demonstrate crafts, music and dance, Sutler's Row and military encampments and drills. This, as well as the tabby ruins and alley of majestic oaks, provides numerous photogenic opportunities. Food concessions will be available. **Fee \$10.** We will **leave Lowes at 8:30** for the one hour drive and will return by 3:00. For more info [click here](#).



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### Mark your calendars and save these dates for upcoming trips:

(Click on the trip for additional information)

- **Mar 21 [Old Sheldon Church](#)**, Yemassee, S.C.
- **Apr 6 [Nemours Wildlife](#)**, Yemassee, S.C.
- **Apr 18 [Francis Beidler Forest](#)**, Harleysville, S.C.
- **May 10 [Donnalay & Bear island WMA](#)**, Green Pond, S.C.

Our carpools organize at the Lowes in Bluffton; we always meet in the north side of the parking lot behind Chick-fil-a.

You can sign-up for our trips up to 30 days in advance.

Questions, comments or suggestions regarding our field trips, contact:  
Gerry Fagan [gerryf1@metrocast.net](mailto:gerryf1@metrocast.net) or 603-387-1855



**Last Month's Field Trip:  
Parris Island Graduation Ceremony.**  
Witnessing 320 young men and women graduate from basic training is a moving experience. Thousands of family and friends assembled to help celebrate on a very cold morning. After the ceremony we visited the wonderful museum there to learn more about local military history. then had a great lunch at Fat Patties.  
Join us for the **next field trip!**

## **Bryan Peterson to Speak January 9**

BRYAN PETERSON - "The Art of Seeing"

Monday, January 9th at 7 pm

Palmetto Electric Bldg., Community Room

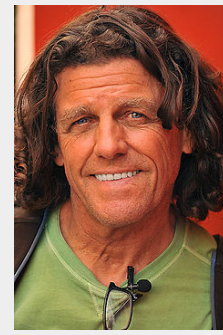
One Cooperative Way, Hardeeville (Hwy. 278 near Super Walmart)

We are excited to welcome noted professional photographer, author and educator, Bryan F. Peterson. Bryan will speak on the topic, "The Art of Seeing.," based in part on his best selling book "Learning to See Creatively."

Are you having trouble "seeing"? Do you often find yourself heading out the door with the intention of capturing some compelling images only to come back empty-handed? What is the most common problem EVERY photographer faces in everyday composition? What is the symbolism of the horizontal frame? When is the best time to shoot a vertical composition? How does line, texture pattern and color influence compositional arrangements?

Any subject can be turned into a compelling shot, no matter how mundane, if you apply the vast and creative principles that are offered in this presentation on seeing

creatively. A healthy dose of curiosity can go a long way towards learning to see creatively and curiosity begins with the simple question of "What if..." At the end of this talk you will realize just how much there really is to see and shoot, even in your own backyard or kitchen!



CCHHI has partnered with three other camera clubs, Beaufort, Callawassie Island and Sun City, to bring this outstanding talent to the lowcountry. In order to accommodate members from all four clubs we will meet in **Palmetto Electric Company's Community Room, One Cooperative Way, Hardeeville**. Meeting will promptly begin at **7 pm**.

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## Winter Classes

Winter classes are in the process of being finalized. Check the [Class Sign-Up](#) tab on the website in a couple of weeks for new class offerings.

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## January Competition: *Still Life*

**Deadline: January 20th at midnight**

This is a "Digital Competition", **no print**. The judging will be done online a few days before the meeting. The judge will view the images on a high definition monitor to make sure that the rendering of color and details are accurate. **Make sure your file is to the [specifications on the web site](#)** (1500 pixels on the long side).

**If too small you will have to resubmit.**

- **Resize** your file (1500 pixels long side) in accordance to the [Rules and Guidelines](#) published in the Club website. While you are there, get yourself familiar with the [judges guidelines](#) that we provide to each judge days before the competition.
- **Submit** your digital file as an attachment to [competitions.cchhi@gmail.com](mailto:competitions.cchhi@gmail.com)
- Use this link to **register** your entry online: [Online Registration](#). Make sure to enter at the proper level of expertise.
- **Deadline is Jan. 20 at midnight**, (to give time for the judge to review images and score them).

### ***Thinking ahead...***

The competition themes for the remainder of the club year are now posted on the website. [Click here to see them](#). It's never too soon to start envisioning your next winning image!

## **Scenes from our holiday party.**

We missed you if you didn't make it. Here are some photos of what you missed! It was a fun evening with good food and drink, games and prize drawings, and the People's Choice Award with the theme "Veins". Thanks to John Parsons, Natalie Nelson, Mary Greenwell, Linda Bange, Rich Daley, Fred Chitty, Fran Hubbell, Donna Varner, and Jean-Marie Cote for all their good help in pulling this party together.

For more photos visit the [club website](#).





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Suzi Huisman showing how she skillfully won our icebreaker game.



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John Parsons, who organized the entire event, checks to see that we are right on schedule and prepares to hand out tickets for our door prizes.



People choosing "People's Choice"



Natalie Nelson's photo wins "Peoples' Choice".

## Next Meeting: January 24

CCHHI meets at 7 pm the fourth Tuesday of every month, September through June.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute  
2 Mathews Court, Suites B&C

## January Speaker

**Jerome de Perlinghi** will speak at our **January 24** meeting.

De Perlinghi's subject will be the Photography Festival, ***Eyes on Main Street*** in Wilson, North Carolina. He is



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## Of Member Interest...

### Enter the 2017 All Saints Garden Tour Poster Competition

Every year, All Saints Episcopal Church holds its Garden Tour as a community fundraiser. An important part of that event is a poster competition where artists of all mediums are invited to submit their artwork to be considered for use in the event poster. **Members of CCHHI are invited to enter this competition.**

**Enter now! only the first 70 entries will be accepted.**

[Click here](#) for all the information on how to submit and the important dates.

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### CCHHI Members to Show at SoBA

**Edith Wood** and **Kendra Natter** will be Featured Artists at Society of Bluffton Artists (SoBA) in 2017. Edith will exhibit in February and Kendra will exhibit in May. Mark your calendars for their opening receptions:

- Edith Wood - Sun., Feb. 12, 3-5 pm
- Kendra Natter - Fri., May 5, 5-7 pm

Plan to be on hand to support your fellow members!

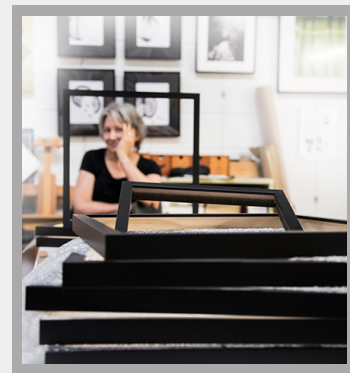
Artistic Director and principal organizer of the festival, which will be in its third year in 2017. Jerome is a native Belgian and a professional photographer in Wilson, NC. For a preview, take a look into what the youth of Wilson, NC can see through the lens: [www.eyesonmainstreetwilson.com](http://www.eyesonmainstreetwilson.com)

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### Lightroom Users Group

meets the first Monday of the month from 7 - 9 at OLLI. This group is dedicated to all things Lightroom including: what's new, how-to's, trouble-shooting, users tips and tricks. Questions? contact [Bill Schmitt](#)

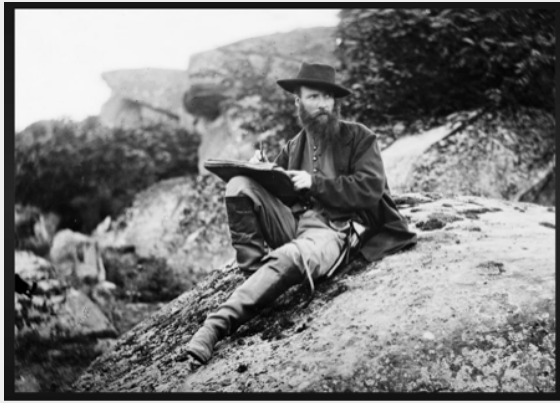
**Please note that this month LRUG will meet on January 9**, so as not to compete with football and travel on the 2nd.



### Final frame...

Wowza!!!

In the course of my Christmas shopping, I came upon a book so good, that it was all I could do to wrap it up and give it away as a gift. ***Dancers Among Us***, by **Jordan Matter** is an amazing book about what happens when someone has a photographic vision and carries it through to



## The Photographer's Corner Mathew Brady (1822-1896)

Mathew Brady is my favorite of several famous American photographers from the American Civil War. His photos bring to life the people, places and events of that period, including Abraham Lincoln himself. Although photographic equipment at the time made it impossible to freeze fast moving subjects, Brady made a point of getting close in to the action. He recorded scenes from the battlefields and was even nearly captured himself at the First Battle of Bull Run.

Some of Brady's documentation of the war featured disturbing images of corpses. These were presented to the American public in New York and provided a shocking awakening to the realities of war. Learn more about Mathew Brady and see some of his images:

[www.archives.gov/education/lessons/brady-photos](http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/brady-photos)



completion. Not only do we see some incredible images, but the artist also shares his creative inspiration, his method and his stories about creating some of the photos.

The photos were made in-camera—no manipulation was involved in making seemingly impossible images. The artist inspires us with his execution, his patience, his passion, his creativity, his rapport with subjects.

You can see many of the photos by clicking on this [link](#), but I recommend adding the book to your library as a source of ongoing inspiration. Happy reading!

Happy shooting!

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### ***Have something for the newsletter?***

E-mail your information for review to [drdonna1@hargray.com](mailto:drdonna1@hargray.com).

For consideration for the next newsletter, send no later than one week before the 1st of the month. Keep your message short and your images small.

***Banner photo:*** This month's photo appears courtesy of **Suzi Huisman** and shot during the December field trip. If you'd like to submit an image for possible use in the banner, here are the requirements: **sharp, simple subject, uncluttered background, croppable to a narrow horizontal.**

This is not a contest. Simply seeking designs that will work with the banner layout. Size your image



The Camera Club of Hilton Head Island is a member of the Photographic Society of America. [Click here](#) to visit the PSA website!

**650 pixels on the long side, 72ppi** (and at least 250 high), and send to [drdonna1@hargray.com](mailto:drdonna1@hargray.com).

### **Are you new to CCHHI?**

Learn everything you need to know about the Camera Club on our website, starting with your [Newcomer's Guide](#). Need anything else? Just ask any of us!

**Happy New Year from CCHHI!!!**

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