

CCHHI September 2017 Newsletter

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- ... [Sign up](#) for September field trips
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- ... [Get your copy](#) of the new HHI Book
- ... [Take](#) a free, themed workshop
- ... [Share](#) learning resources with members

President's Message

CCHHI begins its 2017-2018 season with a great flourish. The phenomenal nature photographer, Robert Rommel is the program speaker at our first meeting on September 26th. We will have the newly published Hilton Head coffee table book, showcasing the wonderful photography of our members, available for sale at the meeting as well. The theme of our digital competition is "blue", so if you don't already have your image, express yourself creatively and enter the competition. Judging from the wonderfully diverse images displayed on the CCHHI Facebook page, our club members are talented and enjoy shooting a wide variety of subjects. I look forward to seeing more images throughout the year.

Our next opportunity to have our images published are in the IWN 5th anthology entitled, *Ebb and Flow*. Deadline is October 15th. Details are on our web site.



The volunteers who serve on our CCHHI Board have put together a great schedule of Programs, Competitions, Exhibits, Educational opportunities and Field Trips. In fact we have 3 field trips scheduled in Sept. You should sign up for 1, 2 or all 3. These are all for our benefit. It's going to be a great year!

I recommend arriving around 6:30 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday each month to meet, mingle and socialize. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. So bring your questions, bring your knowledge, bring your friends, and join us at CCHHI!

...Fred Chitty



The Hilton Head Book is Finally Here!

Copies will be available at the September 26th meeting of the camera club.

The cost is \$34.95 so **bring you checkbooks** and support our charity.

Education

Hands-on Workshop:

When: **Friday, Sept. 8**

Time: **9:30am to noon**

Where: **OLLI Center, Matthews Court**

This free workshop for CCHHI [members](#) will offer a new learning experience for those of you who need motivation and coaching when you are given an assignment. The focus of this workshop will be the **October theme "Architecture"**. We will start with a brief **in-class session** discussing the concept, tips and tricks, lens choices, subjects and compositions before **going to a nearby location to practice**. [Click here](#) to see the details of how you can prepare for this workshop in order to make the most of it.

After the workshop, the participants' assignment is to review their images, select

the best ones, do the final touching and submit two or three images to the instructor. **Tuesday Sept. 12 at 7:00pm, OLLI Center**, the instructor will conduct a “review session” in a form of 360 **feedback**.

There is no registration for this workshop...just show up!
Questions? Contact Jean-Marie Côté by clicking [here](#).

Education Survey Results

The results from the survey are out. In a nutshell here are the main outcomes:

15% of the members are really interested in taking classes
Of this group of respondents:

- Classes should be offered during the week and day time
- Class cost should be below \$100 per session
- Class session should be short and preferably as a workshop format
- Classes of interest are: composition, light and lighting

Based on the feedback received regarding classes, the education committee will work on setting up classes that meet members expectation. More to come in the October newsletter.

One of the major challenge for our club is to find instructors for these classes. Any members interested in teaching classes contact the [Education Committee](#).

Your Education Moment: “how can you help?”

Each month we would like to feature some **practical advice** on a specific topic related to photography in general. **We need members who are willing to provide the material for this initiative.** Please come forward to help. Contact us at cchhiedu@gmail.com

We also want to compile a **listing of resources**, such as: websites, online classes, videos, tutorials, magazines, that will be available to the members on the Club website. For this the Education Committee needs your help. Have you seen something interesting on the web that you have used and found of great value? Share it with all the members – simply click on the link below and fill in the information to your best knowledge. Click on this link to complete the form: [Resources Directory Info](#)

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact the Education Committee at

the following email address: CCHHIEDU@gmail.com

Field Trip Schedule for 2017-18

CCHHI will lead a 10 trip schedule this year; these trips are an enormous opportunity to learn, network & share with a skillful collection of photographers and experience a variety of imaging in the low-country.

Check out these field trips coming in September:

September 9 - Raptor Center- Georgia Southern University



We will visit the trail where eight stations house live birds of prey such as Eagles, Owls and Hawks which are very photograph-able. At 2:00 we can attend a lecture on reptiles with live specimens. At 3:00 the flight show featuring Owls and hawks will occur in the outdoor amphitheater where the birds will be flying five to ten feet over our heads for good photographs if you are quick.

We will leave at 9:30 from Lowes and return by 6:00. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1 for seniors.

September 19 - Angel Oak, Tea Plantation and Firefly Distillery

Angel Oak, Tea Plantation and Firefly Distillery - Our first stop will be the 1400-year-old Angel Oak on John's Island. This Oak is 66 feet tall, 28 feet in circumference, has a limb-spread of 187' with numerous branches drooping to the ground. Wide angle lenses are important and panoramic shots are worth trying. Tripods are recommended. Following that we will go to The Charleston Tea Plantation which was established in 1985.



Here they grow tea trees and process the leaves for tea. The trees should be in bloom which attracts butterflies. We will take a 45-minute trolley tour through the plantation and visit the orchards, the processing plant and the sales facility. We will eat a box lunch in their picnic area. A variety of sandwiches will be available which we will select from a menu in advance. The drinks will, of course, be ice tea. The cost of the trolley tour and the box lunch is \$25. We will then proceed to the Firefly Distillery to see their legal moonshine being crafted. Tastings of their vodkas are available for \$6 which will get us ready for the drive home. We will leave Firefly by 3:00 to be back at Lowes by 5:00.

Mark your calendars and save these dates for upcoming trips:

(Click on the trip for additional information)

- September 9 - [Raptor Center- Georgia Southern University](#)
- September 19 - [Angel Oak, Tea Plantation and Firefly Distillery](#)
- October 14- [Hilton Head History Day](#)
- October 15- [Hilton Head Cup Sailing Regatta](#)
- November 2- [Harbour Island](#)
- December 5- [Reconstruction Era National Monument](#)
- January 25- [Marine Air Station, Beaufort](#)
- February 3 - [Freedom Day, Mitchellville, HHI](#)
- March 14- [Beaufort Historic District, Santa Elena Museum and National Cemetery](#)
- April 30 - [Alligator Farm, St. Augustine and Jacksonville Zoo, FL](#)

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

For sign-up, or if you have any questions, comments or suggestions regarding our field trips, please **contact Gerry Fagan** at gerryf1@metrocast.net or 603-387-1855.

[*Is your membership current?*](#)

Competition: September is Digital Review

Theme: *Blue*

Format: Digital review (no print – no award)

Deadline: Monday, Sept. 25th at midnight.

Blue: The blue hour which is about 20 minutes after sunset is the best blue light you can get. This theme is pretty open as long as the element(s) in your photograph has a large content of “blue”. It can be a large landscape, a building, a blue “feel” like, a close-up; it’s all good for this theme.

Please **email your digital file before the deadline (9/25, midnight)** to:

competitions.cchhi@gmail.com

Follow the guidelines for file size and submission as per the [rules published on our web site](#).

All entries will receive the same amount of attention from the person reviewing and providing feedback on the images. Photographer’s name will not be available; **it’s anonymous**.

Engage!

The club has many opportunities throughout the year for you to show and share your photos. **Here are three that are coming soon:**



Hilton Head Library Exhibit

When: October 2 - November 11

Theme: *LOW COUNTRY*. Let's show what the Southern Lifestyle is all about...

How many? enter 1 or 2 photos

Hanging fee: \$5.00 each

Details on the [form](#) on CCHHI website

Questions? email Kendra

Natter at tripodcamera@yahoo.com

Call for Photos

The **Island Writer's Network(IWN)** has issued a call for photographs to be used for their 5th anthology entitled, *Ebb and Flow*. The call includes color photos for the cover, and black and white photos for the interior. [Click here](#) to see the complete call. **Deadline for submission is October 15, 2017.**



Call for Photographers

Saturday, October 14th, 10am - 2pm

This is HHI History Day where tours are offered to visit numerous historic sites on the Island. **All of these sites are important to our [Sense of Place Exhibit](#)** which will be held in May and June of 2018. This is a great opportunity to take photos of these sites when there are reenactors in period costume to enliven them.

We need a dozen or more members to help photograph the event. Parking passes will be provided and the entry fee will be waived. The event will run from 10-2, but if you can't participate in the entire four hours we will make adjustments.

Please email John Parsons at parsonsjohng@gmail.com to sign up for this opportunity.

Next Meeting: September 26

The **speaker** at this meeting will be **Robert Rommel** and his topic will be *Romancing the Landscape*.

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

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



Membership Renewal

September is the beginning of the club year; by now you should have renewed your membership. If you haven't already done so, [do it now](#). Remember, if you want to participate in club activities, you must be a member in good standing.

To renew, fill out the [form](#) and bring it with your check to the meeting on the 26th.

It's going to be a good year at CCHHI, so don't miss out!

Lightroom Users Group

meets the first Monday of the month 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](#)

Of Member Interest...

2 Member Exhibits:



Donna Varner will exhibit at Honey Horn in September and October as part of the **Art Beyond Tradition Group's** biennial abstract show. This year's exhibition is entitled, *Escape Artists*, and runs **September 2 through October 29**. Please visit the show and join the artists at the opening reception, **September 14, 5 – 7pm**.

[Discovery House Gallery at Honey Horn](#),
70 Honey Horn Drive, HHI, 29926 ([map](#))



Susan Proto will exhibit at [20/20 Cafe](#) (at the Sungate medical facility located by the Sun City gate) for the month of **September**. Come for coffee, lunch and Susan's beautiful scenes from HHI, Bluffton and Beaufort.



Join CCHHI's facebook group!
Connect with members. Share
your photos. Get feedback.

Final



frame...

"Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana."

-- Groucho Marx

Hard to believe, but I'm starting my fifth year as Mistress of the Missive (a.k.a., newsletter editor). Time flies when your having fun...

seriously! After all this time, I still enjoy producing the CCHHI newsletter each month. Maybe that's *your* idea of fun too.

In CCHHI board meetings we've talked about the importance of having new people coming on board to bring new ideas, and to keep the club vibrant. Any of us who has an ongoing role should be looking for ***understudies*** who might someday assume our tasks.

That said, if you've built newsletters before, if you know how to use *MailChimp*, if you like to play with graphics and layout, or if you're good at communication, [contact me](#) about being an *understudy* for newsletter editor.

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Have something for the newsletter?

E-mail your information for review to drdonna1@hargray.com.
For consideration for the next



The Photographer's Corner

Aaron Siskind

(1903-1991)

Siskind was an American photographer best known for his black-and-white, close range, and aerial photos of surfaces and objects. With the transformative properties of monochromes and their lack of scale or context, Siskind's photos can seem both sculptural and vast or diminutive and painterly. Their ambiguity has caused spectators to look at these photos as ink blots. Siskind didn't begin photographing until he received a camera as a wedding gift and soon after joined the New York Photo League. His works—which range in subject matter from volcanic lava to graffitied walls—are in the collections of the Art Institute of Chicago, the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles, and the Smithsonian Museum of American Art in Washington, D.C., among others. See more about his work at www.aaronsiskind.org

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 Karen Migliaccio who photographed the eclipse in North Carolina. 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 **650 pixels on the long side, 72ppi** (and at least 250 high), and send to 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!



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



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