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Meetings

September

Wednesday, September 27, 2017—6:30 PM
Doors Open at 6:00 PM

Members' Night

Come meet fellow members and share your best images from the summer! Members may present 6–8 images in digital format.

Please arrive by 6:15 pm to load your images. Bring digital images on a flash drive only (no slides, CD or DVD). Images should be sRGB, 72 ppi with 1920 pixels on the long side.

2017 Meeting Dates

November 29	TBD
December 20	Members' Night

(Additional dates are on website)

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October

Thursday October 26, 2017—6:30 PM
(Note: Thursday meeting date)

David Akoubian

*Nature from a
Painter's Perspective*

Nature photographer David Akoubian was classically trained as a painter before turning to photography. Before venturing out on his own professionally, he studied with John Shaw, Art Wolfe, Galen Rowell, Bryan Peterson and other renowned masters of photography. David creates classic landscapes with a compositional approach he learned from his years of studying painters. He has always enjoyed birding and wildlife and captures many images of wildlife in environmental settings.

David's work has been published in top photography magazines and books, including *Outdoor Photographer*, *Nature Photographer*, *Audubon Magazine*, *Birder's World*, and Scholastic Books. His clients include Coca Cola, Tamron, Sirui, Lensbaby, The Nature Conservancy, and The Mountain Conservation Trust of Georgia.

David and his wife, Evelyn, live in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains where they run their business and are involved in many conservation efforts. See more of David's work at www.bearwoodsphotography.com.

IN MEMORIAM: Ann Gilhuly Littlejohn

This summer, we sadly shared the news of the passing Ann Gilhuly Littlejohn, a longtime member, on July 1, 2017.

In addition to a successful career in the broadcast industry and work supporting women's issues, Ann was an award-winning photographer and world traveler who participated in our group shows and other activities over a number of years.

A complete obituary is available at: <http://spearfuneralhome.com/obituaries/ann-gilhuly-littlejohn/>. Ann was an active member of PWP (Professional Women Photographers) and PWP members remember Ann on their website: <http://www.pwponline.org/blog/2017/07/21/in-memoriam-ann-littlejohn/>. Ann's family plans a memorial in New York City in the near future and we will keep you posted.

We extend our condolences to family and friends, including her many friends among our members.



Milky Way over Zion © David Akoubian

From the Chairs

Welcome all to the new season and the exciting plans that await!

First, to report on our year-end raffle in June, we wish to thank members and donors who made it such a success. Jay Tanen secured auction items donated by **SONY, FUJI, FOTO CARE, NIKON, DUGGAL VISUAL SOLUTIONS** and **HAHNEMUHLE**. Charles Chessler received a donation from **ADORAMAPIX** and John Brengelman donated the **X-RITE** items. A very special thank you to these companies and we hope our members will support and favor them when making purchases. We also thank our members and guests, whose contributions and participation made it a successful and fun evening. All but 3 items sold. We will eventually offer them for sale in another manner.

Please mark your calendars with the 2017-2018 meeting dates that appear in this issue. Our meetings are held on Wednesday evenings with one exception — **October 26 is a Thursday evening meeting.**

It is important to all of the Board that we meet the needs of our members and are always available to hear your input, criticisms and suggestions. If you see a possible exhibit site, seek information and inform us. If you hear an exceptional speaker, take the name and contact info. Invite a guest/friend to our meetings and introduce them to our educational and entertaining programs. Anything that will contribute to making our meetings and membership grow and prosper is welcome!

—Nancy Langer, Co-Chair, nlangerlpt@gmail.com
—Eileen Duranko, Co-Chair, eileendura@mac.com

A very special THANK YOU to the businesses that contributed generously to our year-end auction.

SONY	alphauniverse.com
FUJI	fujifilm-blog.com
FOTO CARE	fotocare.com
NIKON	nikonusa.com
DUGGAL	duggal.com
ADORAMAPIX	adorama.com
HAHNEMUHLE	hahnemuhle.com/en
X-RITE	xrite.com

Fall 2017 Outings

Date: Thursday, October 5, 2017

Location: The Shawangunks
(**Sam's Point Preserve** or other location)

Hike: About two miles; stony trails, wet rocks, some uphill hiking. Plan for cool fall weather, bring hiking boots, lunch, snacks, and water.

NYC Start: 8:30 am, long day shooting, dinner afterward.

NYC Return: 10:30-11:00 pm. **Drivers with cars appreciated for carpooling.**

Leader: Charles Dexter, 212-315-1963 until 10:30 pm

Date: Thursday, October 12, 2017

Location: **Waterloo Village Historic Site**, Stanhope, NJ

Photograph: Fall foliage, lake with reflections, historic 19th century village, a re-creation of a Lenape Indian village.

Hike: easy dirt trails. Plan for changeable fall weather, wear hiking boots, bring lunch, snacks, and water.

NYC Start: 11:00 am, shoot until dusk (6:30 pm), dinner afterward.

NYC Return: 9:00-9:30 pm. **Drivers with cars appreciated for carpooling.**

Leader: Charles Dexter, 212-315-1963 until 10:30 pm

Date: Thursday, October 19, 2017

Location: **Fahnestock State Park**, Sunk Mine Road or Pelton Pond; and **Dockside Park**, Cold Spring, NY

Photograph: Summer stream, colorful reflections in still ponds, Hudson River views.

Hike: Short moderate hikes with stony uneven trails, old Jeep trail (endurance & balance needed). Plan for changeable weather, wear hiking boots, bring rain gear, lunch, snacks, and water.

NYC Start: 9:00 am, shoot for late light, dinner afterward.

NYC Return: 9:00-9:30 pm. **Drivers with cars appreciated for carpooling.**

Leader: Charles Dexter, 212-315-1963 until 10:30 pm

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Dates: Saturday, October 21, 2017 and Thursday, October 26, 2017

Location: **Harriman State Park**, Stony Brook and Lake Nawahunta

Photograph: Rushing stream in autumn and colorful reflections in a still lake.

Hike: Short hikes with stony trails. Plan for changeable fall weather, wear hiking boots, bring lunch, snacks, and water.

NYC Start: 9:00 am, shoot until dusk (6:30 pm), dinner afterwards.

NYC Return: 9:00-9:30 pm. **Drivers with cars needed for carpooling.**

Leader: Charles Dexter, 212-315-1963 until 10:30 PM

Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2017

Location: **High Line Park**, New York City (Chelsea)

Photograph: Autumn nature above the city, wild flowers & grass, old rail tracks, architecture, NYC skyline, art and people.

Hike: Possibly 20 blocks, north to south, West 34th Street to Ganesvoort Street.

NYC start: Various afternoon meet times at different park entrances (information on SierraPhotoNYC web site). Shoot until dusk (5:30 pm). Dinner afterward in the area. Bring snacks, water, rain gear, walking shoes. Hand-held compact camera may easier to work with. More details to be announced at October meeting.

Leader: Charles Dexter, 212-315-1963 until 10:30 pm

Date: Saturday, November 4, 2017

Location: **New York Botanical Garden**, Bronx, NY

Photograph: Chrysanthemums, ornamental cabbage, autumn foliage.

Hike: Easy paved paths and dirt trails.

Meet: Moshulu Gate Entrance (across from MetroNorth Station) at 9:50 am. Before 10:00 am, grounds admission is free; see web site for parking fees and admission after 10:00 am. The 9:24 am Metro North train from Grand Center arrives at 9:47 am. Meet for lunch 11:45 am at NYBG Pine Tree Cafe by Fordham Gate; we'll make dinner arrangements for **Emilia's Restaurant** on Arthur Avenue.

NYC Return: 8:30-9:30 pm. Drivers with cars appreciated for travel to restaurant and back to NYC.

Leader: John Wazeter, 914-525-5365 or jwazeter@optonline.net