

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2022

In attendance: John Kracke, Doug Allmond, Jim Bowen, Alice Newton, Rip Smith, Ellen Hardesty

Thanks to all who helped hang the current exhibit at the Washington Street Gallery. And to all who have their photos hanging for the month of January, the exhibit looks great.

JD Warmac has agreed to hold a camera-cleaning workshop for us at the Washington Street Gallery as soon as it is COVID safe

This month's assignment was WINTERY and ABSTRACT. Alice Newton, Rip Smith, Doug Allmond, John Kracke and Ellen Hardesty treated us to some unique images.

Doug Allmond gave a demo of Luminar Neo. Doug is testing a beta version which has many new features.

Club members decided on "Assignments" for the year. They are as follows:

February Happy

March Still Life

April Architecture

May Abstract

June Panning

July Pick a location – Stand in one spot and make 10 unique photos. You cannot move your feet.

August Reflections

September Shallow depth of field

October Still life

November Decapitate heads. Photos of hands, feet or body gestures can be more interesting than faces. So take photos of your subjects without including their faces/heads in the shots.

December ABC Project. Photograph something that looks like a letter of the alphabet. Create a collage that spells your last name or "Welcome".

There was a lively discussion of ways to inform the public of our Club. We have a web site and we could invite the public to join our Zoom meeting. Rip Smith will provide a link to the Berkley Arts, which has a population of 1600.

Exhibit News:

- Take down of the exhibit at the Fire Hall Gallery **January 25th**.
- Exhibit at the Old Opera House Heiler Art Gallery, **April 28 – May 8**
- Exhibit at the Summit Point Library **later in May** (dates TBD).

Due to COVID, our election of new officers has been put on hold. If any of you are interested in being President, Vice President or Secretary/Treasurer, please let John know.

Our Club currently is running two FACEBOOK Groups. One is Private, one is Public. If you wish to post something that you believe the public (national) exposure would like to see or be aware of regarding our club activities or your photos, please use the PUBLIC group. The Private group currently is only open and viewable by the 15 members who joined the group. The posts to that group are NOT shareable and are NOT viewable by the general public. You can join the Private group by going to the group and click on the JOIN button.

Here is the Link to the **Public Group**: <https://www.facebook.com/Jefferson-County-Photography-Club-WV-111018252313927>

Here is the link to the **Private**

Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1533171586940347>

Our club also has a Web Page. I am currently updating it and making edits when I can. We have a section for member photos. if you want your photos placed on the website, you can send them to me and I will put them up. I usually add a watermark for the person submitting the photo(s) if one isn't already on the photo. You can also post your photos on one of the club Facebook pages and give me permission to copy and post it to the web page.

Our web page URL is <https://jcpcwv.com/>

Remember to post a couple of your best photos to our Web site and the Club Member page. Send your photos to John Kracke for having them posted to the Web Page and Club Member pages.

The next meeting is a ZOOM Meeting on February 8 at 7PM (6:30PM for early arrival)

February's Presenter is Alice Newton. Her topic will be abstracts.

March Presenter is Rip Smith. His topic will be architecture.

February Assignment: HAPPY