# **New Member Guide**

# Livonia Camera Club (LCC)

#### Vision

Livonia Camera Club is a forum for individuals to grow in their respective love for photography. Through photography education, various photographic shooting opportunities, idea exchange, image / print sharing, and honest dialogue the Club members seek to become better photographers, as well as having fun in the process.

### **Parent Organization**

The Livonia Camera Club is a member of the Greater Detroit Camera Club Council (GDCCC). The GDCCC consists of 10 photographic member clubs in the greater metropolitan Detroit area including two in Windsor, Ontario, one in Toledo.

The GDCCC is a member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA).

#### **Typical Meeting Agenda**

- .. Welcome; Discussion of Current Club Activities/Directions/Initiatives President
- ..Education and Training
- ..Member Moment
- ..Review of Images/Competitions / Digital and/or Print)
- .. Member Questions
- ..Review of upcoming Assignment for following Month. Also, see Assignments section below
- .. Concluding Remarks
- ...Adjourn

#### **Meeting Location and Time**

The Livonia Camera Club meets the second Thursday of every Month, 7:00 pm at RE/MAX Home Sales Services of Northville, 17031 Ridge Rd, Northville Township, MI 48168. Meetings and other important dates will be posted on the Livonia Camera Club website <a href="https://livonia.photoclubservices.com/">https://livonia.photoclubservices.com/</a>

Calendar of LCC Events - Make Calendar - (Will provide link, once calendar is established)

#### **Overview Digital and Print Competitions**

**Entering Digital Images** - Each month there are 5 categories where **digital** images can be entered into an LCC competition (2 max per category).....categories are Monochrome General, Color General,

Creative, Nature and Assignment. For more information regarding what images fit into what category see (will provide link to "Club (LCC) Digital and Print Competition Rules" when available on LCC website)

To enter Digital Images, log onto Livonia Camera Club's Home Page at https://livonia.photoclubservices.com/, clicking on "Competitions" (top bar) and selecting "Submit Images to a Competition. Remember the largest side of a digital image cannot exceed 1200 px.

**Entering Print images -** Every other month there are 2 categories where **printed** images can be entered into an LCC competition (3 max per category).....categories are Monochrome Prints and Color Prints.

Although print images are judged by looking at the actual print *they also need to be entered/registered on line prior to judging*. To enter Print Images log onto Livonia Camera Club's Home Page at https://livonia.photoclubservices.com/, clicking on "Competitions" (top bar) and selecting "Submit Images to a Competition"

For more information regarding the requirements for each category, and size/mounting/labeling requirements see (will provide link to "Club (LCC) Digital and Print Competition Rules" on LCC website

Based on how a member's images place in LCC's monthly competitions, members proceed through the levels of Beginner > Advanced > Salon > Star in both Digital and Print competitions.

The GDCCC, our **Parent Organization** (see above) hosts several city wide competitions each year. The highest scoring print and digital images from the monthly competitions of member clubs are entered into the GDCCC competitions by the Print and Digital Directors of member clubs. The GDCCC keeps records of winning images in City Wide Competitions. These records are the basis for individuals passing through the progression of Beginner > Advanced> Salon> Star> Galaxy within the GDCCC. A member's "level" within the GDCCC will often be different than their level at Livonia Camera Club. This is because a member's level at GDCCC and LCC are based on different competitions.

#### **Assignments**

The purpose of this digital only category is to encourage LCC members to get out and shoot on a regular basis. Assignments vary on a monthly basis. Monthly assignments will be posted on the LCC website during the summer months for the next LCC competition year (September -May). To view these Assignments, go to Livonia Camera Club's Home Page, click on "Organization" then "Documents and Files". Look for the "Club Assignments" document. All images submitted must be taken after the date that assignments were posted

## **Educational Opportunities and Field Shoots**

Educational opportunities will be included in most of the LCC monthly meetings. Additional educational opportunities, including field trips will be posted on the LCC Calendar (will provide link to LCC calendar, once established)