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## Program for June 11, 2009

This month's presenter is Craig Lewis. The title of his presentation is "Lightroom 2 for All Digital Photographers". He'll show how Lightroom 2 can help any digital photographer manage and process digital images. For many photographers, Lightroom 2 is all that's needed. That is, many digital photographers do not need to use Photoshop or Photoshop Elements. Craig is an outstanding photographer and gives presentations on many photographic topics. To see some of the many topics including information on his Lightroom 2 presentation go to:

[http://www.craiglewisimaging.com/links\\_top/cli\\_public/cli\\_public.php](http://www.craiglewisimaging.com/links_top/cli_public/cli_public.php)

Craig is a member of the Englewood Camera Club. Also, since he's vice-president of the Colorado Council of Camera Clubs, he'll make a brief presentation about it, offering reasons for Flatirons Photo Club to join and become active in Council.

Craig is involved in many aspects of photography, including sports photojournalism, landscape and nature photography and photography as art. He has been active in camera clubs because of their value in sharing knowledge and the friendships that develop. We look forward to his insightful presentation on how Lightroom can apply to all levels of photographers.

## Monthly Topics for 2009

The topic of the month for June is "Strange Realities."

The remaining monthly topics for 2009 are:

September - Grain

October - Chiaroscuro

November – Soft

Members are encouraged to shoot these topics during the year as a means of honing or expanding their photographic and image creation skills. Images presented may be color or B&W, prints or digitally projected. 'Special effects' may be used. Only 2 monthly topic images may be submitted by each individual as part of the monthly competition.

## New Members Exhibition

To welcome new members we ask that they "bring" several images to show at the club meeting in the month after they join. At the May meeting two of our newest members showed images to the club. The images were not judged or critiqued. Rather, the new members described their pictures and meeting attendees got to see some images made by new members. Sandy Hale and Terrie Reilly both brought images for

exhibition in May. All club members, whether new or not, have the opportunity to show images each month: 1) through the on-line gallery, and 2) through club competitions. After showing images in exhibition we encourage our new members to participate in these photo sharing activities.

## Monthly Competition Results - May 2009

*This month there were 41 digital entries and 13 print entries. The judge was Jim Downs.*

### Open Category Print

Award – Gail Dohrmann, “Yosemite Falls with Fog”  
Award - Karin de Jamaer, “Sand Hill Cranes”

### Open Category Digitally Projected

Award – Helen Cuccaro, “Everyone Loves a Painter”  
Award – Nelson Chen, “Renaissance Drummer!”  
Award - Charlie Anderson, “Breccia”  
Award - Charlie Anderson, “French Lilies”

### Special Effects Print

Award - Russell Dohrmann, “Heart of the Home”

### Special Effects Digitally Projected

There was one entry this month.

### Monthly Topic Print

Award - Chris Bales, “Grungy Old Train Battery”

### Monthly Topic Digitally Projected

Award – Russell Dohrmann, “Checkered Floor Grunge”  
HM - Gail Dohrmann, “Junkyard Wyeth”

## Welcome New Members

*The club currently has approximately \$1,752.90 in its treasury.*

There were no new members this month. but two former members renewed for 2009 - Neil Purrett, and Marianne Weingrof. There were 5 visitors, several of whom indicated

interest in joining our growing club. For 2009 there are now 48 individuals who are members of Flatirons Photo Club.

## Monthly Competitions

The monthly competitions are one way that we can exhibit our images, see the images that other club members are creating, and get feedback to help improve our image making skills.

Each month a total of 4 images may be submitted in competition. 2 of the images may be special topic. Images may be submitted as prints or for digital projection.

**Open** – Any image on any topic that ‘looks like’ a photograph no matter how it was captured, processed, or modified.

**Special Effects** – included in this category are collages, montages,

false colors, special filtering, painting, posterization, solarization, etc. – anything that is an ‘obvious’ manipulation.

**Special Topic** – a topic of the month is assigned. Images in this category are judged for how well the image depicts the topic as well as for photographic, artistic, and technical aspects.

The monthly topic for June 2009 is:

### Strange Realities

Note that you must have paid your dues for 2009 in order to enter the Monthly Competitions.

*For more information on how to submit images to the monthly competitions see the club web site.*

## Monthly On-line Image Gallery

Each month members may submit two images to the club's on-line image gallery. The purpose of the gallery is to give the members a venue to display their images where others can view them and make comments. When viewing the images on-line the viewer can select the size of the images to appear on his/her monitor from among Small, Medium, and Original. So if you find yourself scrolling to see the entire image - select one of the smaller sizes and you should be fine. Each person submitting images is requested to

post a comment about their own images once the gallery is available for viewing. Images can be viewed and comments can be made even if you did not submit images. An email is sent out when it is time to submit images for display in the gallery. A second email is sent when the gallery is on-line and available for viewing. The most recent gallery can be viewed at:

[http://www.pbase.com/flatirons/fpc\\_may\\_2009](http://www.pbase.com/flatirons/fpc_may_2009)

*Note that the awards from each month are now on the club's web site.*

*The most recent members competitions awards can be viewed at:*

[Flatirons Photo Club Award Gallery](#)

## The Club's Web-Site

Did you know you can communicate by email with club members through the Members Only section of the club's web site. If your dues are current for 2009 you have access to the members only section. To log-in

you enter your first name, last name, and email address. If you have more than one email address you use the one that the club uses to send you the newsletter. The password was sent to this email address.

*Try the new club web site – and tell your friends about it.*

## Digital Study Group

The digital study group sponsored by the Flatirons Photo Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month (7 - 9 PM, in the same location as the regular club meeting). This is a self-study group, but there are suggested study topics.

June - add a vignette or edge effect  
July - apply a creative effect  
Aug - Modify single object's color  
Sep - modify color intensity  
Oct - Remove distracting bright objects  
Nov - emulate a split field neutral density filter.

Participants in the study group work at their own pace on topics that interest them with the assignments as suggestions only. Then they bring a before and after image to the meeting and describe the steps they went through to obtain the final result. Images are brought to the meeting on compact flash drives (thumb drives) and can be in any format with or without layers.

The study group is open to anyone interested in improving their digital image processing skills.

## News and Announcements

### Denver Botanic Gardens

On May 16, 2009 Fee Chin organized a photo field trip to the Denver Botanic Gardens. Eleven club members attended. The group spent the entire morning photographing the gardens and met for lunch at Monet's Deck in the gardens. Fee asked for attendees to submit several images which have been put in a special section of the club's pBase gallery. Take a look at the wonderful images created by people attending this field trip.

[http://www.pbase.com/flatirons/dbg\\_fieldtrip\\_2009](http://www.pbase.com/flatirons/dbg_fieldtrip_2009)

### Modeling Workshop

Fee Chin has arranged a photo modeling workshop which will be held on 27 June 2009 at St. Aidans Episcopal Church (2425 Colorado) from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Fee has communicated by email regarding participation status. The workshop fee is \$20 per person after subsidy by the club. If you are confirmed to participate, payment has to be made to FPC at the June meeting and collected by Natalie Hedberg. If you cannot be at the June meeting, please mail a check to: Natalie Hedberg 2255 Bluebell Ave. Boulder, CO 80302. There is a waiting list in case someone drops out at the last minute.

### Summer Events

There are no monthly meetings of the Flatirons Photo Club during July and August, but there are several club activities and field trips in the offing. One suggestion has been a photo shoot on the 2nd Thurs. evening of July and Aug. There are still field trips that can be set up. If you would like

to organize a field trip to a local venue please let Chris Bales know and he can tell you what is necessary to make it happen. Remember, you can contact any member of the club (including Chris) by email using the club's website - Members Only Section. You can also send an email to the club's email address: [flatirons@flatironsphotoclub.com](mailto:flatirons@flatironsphotoclub.com). With so many active members of our club, we should have a very busy and fun summer of photographic activities

### Summer Art Shows

Want to get ideas on what other photographers are doing? There are many art and photography shows going on over the summer. Some of Flatirons Photo Club's members participate. Here are two that you may want to view.

Boulder Art Association/Longmont Artists Guild Show and Sale: June 11 (noon to 6 PM), 12 (noon to 8 PM, reception 6 to 8 PM), 13, (noon to 8 PM) and 14 (noon to 4 PM), 2009 at the Boulder County Fairgrounds, Building A.

Gilpin County Arts Association 63rd Annual Juried Show and Invitational Art and Photography Show. June 2, through Aug. 14, 2009. Noon to 6 PM. Open until 8 PM on Opera Nights. Closed Mondays. Central City Gallery, 117 Eureka St. (across from Teller Opera House).

Louisville Art Association 18th Annual National Juried Photography Show. Sat. June 27 through Sunday July 5, 2009. Check with [LouisvilleArt.org](http://LouisvilleArt.org) for detailed open times.

## Meeting Time and Location

The Flatirons Photo Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month except July and August. The meetings start at 7:00 PM. The meeting location is the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor cafeteria of the Mapleton Center, at 311 Mapleton, in Boulder, Colorado.

**Contact the Flatirons Photo Club by e-Mail:**  
[flatirons@flatironsphotoclub.com](mailto:flatirons@flatironsphotoclub.com)

**Visit the Club Web Site at:**

[www.flatironsphotoclub.com](http://www.flatironsphotoclub.com)

**The Flatirons Photo Club's On-Line Galleries may be viewed at**

<http://www.pbase.com/flatirons>

**Submit Images for competition by attaching them to an e-mail addressed to**

[digitalentries@flatironsphotoclub.com](mailto:digitalentries@flatironsphotoclub.com)