



Photo of the Year Randy Harris

Speaker This Month - Dean Dixon

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Dean Dixon loves to photograph people. Besides having a unique talent for lighting and composition it is his ability to relate to and make comfortable any subject that sets him apart from most photographers. His irrepressible sense of humor makes every session a pleasure. Whether a celebrity or a basket maker, a CEO or an assembly line worker all are his new friend and it shows in his work.

Dean's Mom and Dad met and were married in Los Angeles. When Dean was very young, General Motors transferred his Dad to Atlanta where Dean attempted to grow up. He moved back to California to attend Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara.

Upon graduation Dean sought out an early career in Photojournalism that landed him at three different newspapers, the last of which was in Nashville, Tn. His southern roots helped him fall in love with Nashville and he hung up his shingle there in 1980.

Three decades of commercial photography in Nashville have ranged from the prevalent music business, to numerous annual reports and magazine articles and most recently a book about the State of Tennessee's folk heritage entitled "Traditions, Tennessee Lives and Legacies". Dean considers the Traditions project to be his best and most personal work to date. He is indebted to the State of Tennessee Art Commission for the opportunity.

Dean and his wife-studio manager Joanie live in a combination home and studio they built in the Germantown Historic District in downtown Nashville.

<http://www.deandixon.com/>

Club meeting
7 PM Tuesday
Feb 19, 2012
Social at 6 PM
Guests welcome
First meeting free.

Club Website
www.nashvillephotographyclub.com

Quote
 "The camera cannot lie, but it can be an accessory to untruth."
Harold Evans

Beginner Tips - Basic Photography

[Click on image at right to watch a 6 minute video on the triangle of exposure.](#)



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Need your camera cleaned? Peachtree Camera will be here for our meeting in March.



Picture of the Month Nov, 2012

Candy
Kidwell

Canon Rebel XSi

300mm Lens

f/5.6

ISO 400

1/160 Secs



Repeating Patterns

New Picture of the Month for Jan delayed due to canceled Jan Meeting. There will be two Picture of the Month Contest at the Feb meeting one for Jan and one for Feb.

Oct Photo of the Month Theme

Reflections

Nov Photo of the Month Theme

Repetitive Patterns

-Rules for Photo of the Month Contest -

1. You **MUST** be a member and dues paid up to date.
2. Photograph must pertain to the Monthly Theme (i.e. November is FOLIAGE).
3. Image size limits: Minimum 4 x 6 to Maximum 12" (long side).
4. Place ONE photo in the Marked Folder on the center table.
5. Photograph needs to be taken within the past 3 months.

Note: Be sure an put your name on the back of your image.



NASHVILLE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB Schedule of Speakers

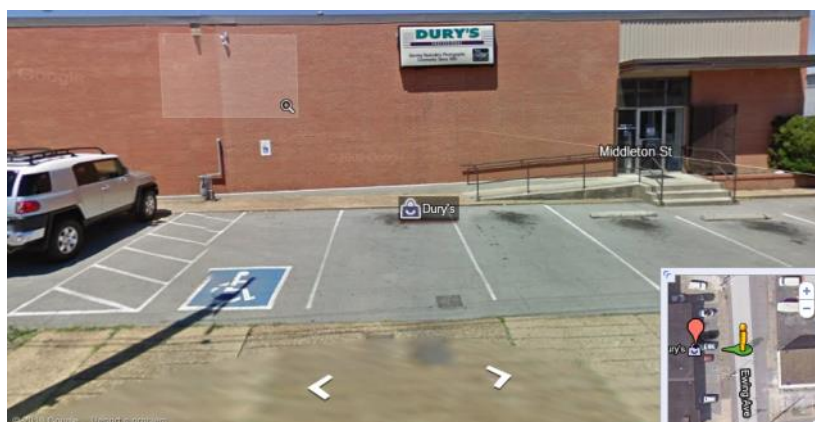
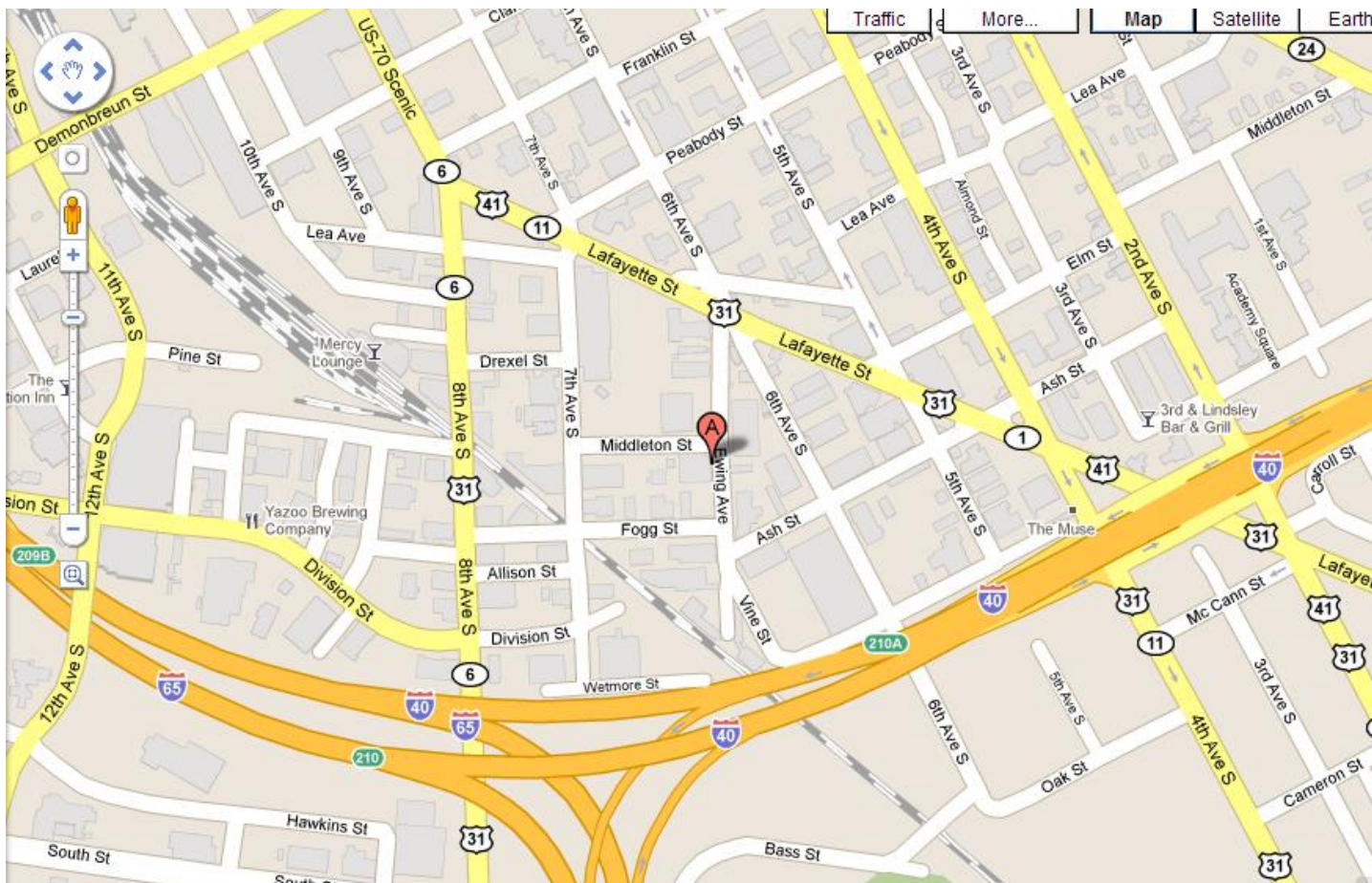
<i>Meeting Date</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Photo Theme</i>
February	Dean Dixon	Advertising, Media, Celebrity	Abstract
March	Tom & Pat Cory	Photography Instructor	Macro/Close up
April			Flora
May			Fauna
June			Big Sky
July			Splash
August			Sunrise/Sunset
September			Action
October			Shadow
November			Fall

There are slots open for Member Spotlights for the first quarter of 2013. The Member Spotlight was designed to allow club members share their work and learn more about each other. So far we have seen some amazing and wonderful work plus heard several entertaining and informative bio's.



Meeting at Dury's 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Dury's is located at 701 Ewing Ave, Nashville, TN
(They are a long time sponsor of our club and we appreciate their contribution)



Would you Believe a 24mm to 1200mm Zoom



[Click on Photo above to view 9 minute video on the Canon SX50 HS SuperZoom](#)

A 50X SuperZoom camera from Canon optical zoom from 24mm to 1200mm. Low light performance up to ISO 6400. 12.1 meg sensor which should be good enough for most shoots. 1080p Full HD video. Built in Hot Shoe.

This could be a perfect travel camera when you don't want to bring the DSLR. Retails for \$449.00 you can get it for around \$380.00 if you shop around.



Nick Coury of Dury's will be giving a brief product demonstration of the **CamRanger** product at the February 19th meeting. CamRanger allows for wireless tethering control of Nikon and Canon DSLR cameras from Ipad's and iPhone's.

How to Photograph a Composite



The final composite is composed from five different photo-shoots and approximately 22 images.

Three Free replacements for Photoshop

[Gimp](#)

[Paint.net](#)

[IRFANVIEW](#)

Click on name above to go to website for additional info and download.



Small Studio - Flash Tips with Speed Lights



[Click on Photo above to view 16 minute video on Small Studio with Speed Lights.](#)

Want a studio without all the expense this may work for you.

Events and Outings

[3CT info on Reelfoot Lake in March](#)

The 3CT is putting together an outing in late March to Reelfoot Lake. If your interested in shooting at Reelfoot Lake and meeting photographers from around the state this would be a good outing to attend. Check out the newsletter for more information on this outing and other photographic happenings. [Link to 3CT Newsletter](#)



Saturday March 9th Outing

Fort Donelson National Battlefield & Land Between the Lakes

Our day begins at Fort Donelson in Dover, TN at 9:00 am. We will hopefully be spotting the eagles that have been nesting here for many years. We know within the last few weeks they have been working on the nest and seen daily. So, the goal is to see these beautiful birds in action. Here is a link to the eagle information there.

<http://www.nps.gov/fodo/parknews/eagle-blog.htm>

There are also quite a few historical photo opportunities for anyone interested in those. There is a visitor center at the park entrance that has a museum with Civil War artifacts, an exhibit about the Underground Railroad in America, a bookstore and new exhibits exploring the legacy of the Civil War in anticipation of the upcoming 150th anniversary of the war. The park's orientation film Fort Donelson: Gateway to the Confederate Heartland engages visitors with a storyline that draws on the lifelong friendship between Union General Ulysses S. Grant and Confederate General Simon B. Buckner. Below is a link of the Fort grounds.

<http://www.nps.gov/fodo/photosmultimedia/virtualtour.htm>

We will meet up at tour stop # 3 where the eagle's nest is located at 9:00 a.m. Address to the Park is: 120 Fort Donelson Road, Dover, TN, 37058. Admission to the park is Free.

At 10:30 a.m. we drive from Dover on to The HomePlace (approximately 18 miles) located at Pryor Hollow in Stewart County, Tennessee at the southern end of Land Between The Lakes. You're about to enter a rural Tennessee farm much as it would have appeared in the mid-19th century. Take a leisurely stroll through our grounds and farm buildings, and visit with our interpreters, staffed by our partners at "Friends of LBL."

<http://www.lbl.org/HPGate.html> Admission is \$5.00 per person.

Meeting time here is at 11:00 a.m. Here at the HomePlace we can have a "bring your own" picnic lunch.

At 1:30 p.m. we will head north to the Barkley Dam area. At the dam area (approximately 43 miles) we will be able to see hundreds of American White Pelicans that migrate each spring. Also, we will be able to see a lot of Cormorants and hopefully see some Osprey working on their nest. Lake Barkley Dam is located at : U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 200 Barkley Dam Overlook Grand Rivers, KY 42045-0218.

To top our day off, there is the option of having dinner at Patti's 1880's Settlement Restaurant located at 1793 J H O'Bryan Avenue Grand Rivers, Kentucky 42045. Reservation time will be booked for 6:00 p.m. The restaurant is about 4 miles from the dam. 's has been VOTED #1 Restaurant for Tourism by the State of Kentucky. You can check out the website at : <http://www.pattis-settlement.com/index.htm>

All times are approximate depending on photographic opportunities and the mood of the group.

Grand Rivers, Ky to downtown Nashville is approximately 114 miles

We look forward to everyone joining us for this fun filled day !



Volunteers needed

We need volunteers for a Charity Shoot at "Special Kids, INC." March 23rd at the Murfreesboro Medical Clinic 1272 Garrison Drive, Murfreesboro, TN. More details will be provided at the meeting Tuesday.

Rocky Mountain School of Photography

The Rocky Mountain School of Photography (RMSP) will be in Nashville the weekend of April 6 & 7 conducting a two day work shop at the Hotel Preston. Each day they will be offering multiple classes in three different sessions they will be conducting.

Classes they have listed for the Saturday sessions include:

Session I 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Photo Basics I, or Workflow: Processing your Images with Adobe Lightroom, Session II 11:15 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Photo Basics II, or Understanding Exposure: Using the Zone System, Session III 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Introduction to Macro Photography, or Understanding Light

Classes they have listed for the Sunday sessions include:

Session I 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. Shooting and Processing HDR and Panoramic Images, or Composition: Designing a Great Photo

Session II 10:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Landscape Photography or Photographing People

Session III 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Critique session

You can register for both days for \$119.00 or just one day for \$89.00 using the Nashville Photography Club group code CC1113. I have attached a PDF formatted letter from the gentlemen (Bob McGowan) that I spoke to today at RMSP. This letter provides more details about the work shop and how to register for it. He was very enthusiastic about potentially having members from the Nashville Photography Club attend the work shop. We will discuss this information at the meeting Tuesday, January 15. Have a great day !!

Brent Wright - President Nashville Photography Club



ADVENTURE GROUP OUTING ~ MONTGOMERY BELL STATE PARK
Saturday March 2, 2013

We have a GREAT adventure outing planned with a GREAT surprise !!

Montgomery Bell State Park is located seven miles east of Dickson in Dickson County. The rolling hills of Dickson County contain a treasure that was considered more precious than gold to the builders of young America. The treasure was iron ore, and it lured men by the hundreds to this area of Middle Tennessee. The site of the first Cumberland Presbyterian Church is located at Montgomery Bell State Park.

The iron industry in Dickson County has been long silent, but the 3,782 acres that make up Montgomery Bell State Resort Park still show the signs of its presence. Near the remains of the Old Laurel Furnace, ore pits, where men once scratched iron ore from the earth, lie quiet and abandoned; the hardwood forest, once heavily cut to clear farmland and to produce charcoal for the iron furnaces, has slowly healed its wounds. Fox, squirrel, raccoon, opossum, deer and a wide variety of birds and wildflowers have returned to the forest, making Montgomery Bell a place of quiet natural beauty.

Our special surprise is that the guest speaker for May, Terry Livingstone will be joining us and being our guide to hiking some of the parks trails !Terry has over 30 years of experience photographing nature's beauty.Montgomery Bell State Park is in Terry's back yard and he knows the area well.Please check out some of Terry's beautiful work at his webiste. Terrylivingstone.com

There is a restaurant located at the Montgomery Bell Inn overlooking picturesque Lake Acorn for anyone wanting to stay for lunch.

This outing is a wonderful opportunity to learn from one of the area's best nature photographers all while enjoying a beautiful park !

We will post a meeting time & location soon on Facebook NPC, Yahoo Groups & the NPC website. We look forward for everyone to join us on this very special outing !!

Digital Focus Group

The "Digital Focus Group" will resume meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month beginning in March. The group will be meeting at the Madison Fifty Forward building. More details will be provided at the meeting Tuesday.

If you have any comments, complaints, suggestions email at

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If you want something included in the newsletter please email no later than the second Tuesday of the month.