



# CLOSE-UP

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## MONEP News

### 2021 Holiday Show Submissions Due September 30th

Every year we hold a Holiday Show on the second Tuesday in December in place of our monthly meeting. This year, it will be on December 14th at Powder Valley. The highlight of the evening is a program of members' images put to music by Jerry Miller and Pat Burgess.

We encourage current members to submit 20 of their best nature images, some of which will be included in the show. They do not have to be from the current year, but please try not to include images you have submitted for past Holiday Shows. Image submissions for the 2021 MONEP Holiday Show are due by the September 21st meeting if you are submitting in person, or by September 30th for email submissions. In addition to your twenty nature shots, we would like to have images of our members in action. Submissions can be turned in at the back table at September meeting. You may also submit your images by sending them to [share@monep.org](mailto:share@monep.org) by the September 30th deadline. To submit your work, please follow the guidelines for submissions below.



*Image Courtesy: Dick Roman*

#### How to Submit Images:

- Bring your images on a disk or flash drive to the September meeting
- Send a .zip file to the club's email address, [share@monep.org](mailto:share@monep.org)
- Mail your images on a disk or flash drive to Jerry Miller, 22 Scarlet Court, St. Charles, MO 63304
- For those of you with a DropBox account - send an email to [share@monep.org](mailto:share@monep.org) to ask for a link to upload your photos into a folder on DropBox.

If you have problems uploading your images in any of the ways above, feel free to contact Jerry Miller at 314-517-6395 for help. Please do not submit images to Jerry's or Pat's personal email addresses.

#### Format:

All submissions should be digital. Place up to 20 images on a CD-ROM, thumb drive, or in a .zip file in a folder with your name as part of the folder's title (e.g. SmithJohn 2021 Holiday Show).

#### File Names:

Each individual photo file should also have your name included as part of its title. Use your last name then first name, the year, and HolidayShow as well as the subject. For example: SmithJane-2021-HolidayShow-Subject for submission for the 2021 Show. For the subject, please use a term or title describing each image, e.g. SmithJane-2021-HolidayShow-Heron. In addition, do not leave any spaces within the file name. You can use the dash to delineate breaks. Please keep in mind that we need to have your full name and not just initials somewhere on the submission so we can use the proper spelling of your name and give you credit for your images at the end of the show. Note that no text or watermarks should appear on any images.

#### Image size:

Resize your images so vertical images are 1,800 pixels high and horizontal images are 1,800 pixels wide. The resolution can be between 96 and 300 dpi (dots per inch). The overall size of each image should be less than 2.5 MB.

Cover Images (from left to right and top to bottom):

Kathy Cherry, Roxanna Cummings, Brenda Fesser, RJ Wilner, Linda Moder, Don Morice, Robert Charity, Jack Clark, Jerry Miller, Joe Kopp, Barb Addelson

### Things to bear in mind as you select images to submit:

- We would like a variety of your strongest nature subjects.
- The more images we get, the greater our flexibility in choosing subjects for the show.
- Remember to include images from all seasons.
- You may include images old or new, just not ones you have submitted for the Holiday Show before.
- We cannot use all the images provided, but our goal is to include images from everyone who submits photographs.
- In addition to your 20 images, please submit photos of yourself or other MONEP members in the act of photographing nature. There is no limit on the number of people images that can be submitted.

The Holiday Show will be held on Tuesday, December 14th at Powder Valley. We will share more details about the event in the months to come.

## Member News

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of MONEP member Ken Biddle. Ken died on August 19th from cancer. He was an early member of MONEP and served on the MONEP Board for many years. He worked on the program committee, and helped on many other MONEP projects. Ken was a particularly kind and generous person, a fine photographer, and a keen naturalist. Several people wrote in to express their sadness and share how pleasant and friendly Ken was. Anyone who spent time with him benefited from the experience and became more knowledgeable about the natural world and a better photographer. Ken will be sorely missed.

An image of the Jewel Box by Jim Campbell was used during the Moment of the Day segment of the July 21st KSDK Channel 5 4:00 p.m. news broadcast.

## MONEP Meetings

### Meeting Dates and Times

Tuesday, September 21st from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Powder Valley Nature Center

Tuesday, October 19th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Powder Valley Nature Center

### Powder Valley Meeting Protocols

Please note and observe the following protocols when attending meetings at Powder Valley:

- Powder Valley strongly recommends that all visitors wear a mask to meetings held there.
- We will provide hand sanitizer and extra masks should you forget to bring one.
- We ask that attendees maintain social distancing for those people who are unvaccinated or vulnerable. Please space yourselves apart in the auditorium, which has 250 seats.
- To protect MONEP from liability at this meeting and future events, each and every person attending the meeting with need to have read the Liability and Assumption of Risk waiver, and must indicate that they have read and agree to the terms of the waiver on a sign-in sheet at the table as you enter the auditorium
- If you are unwilling to sign the waiver agreement, you will not be able to attend the meeting.

### September 21st Meeting - Capturing Wildlife Images

MONEP member, Jane Palmer, will be back with us as a presenter in September, sharing information and her images during her presentation *Techniques for Capturing Wildlife Images*. Jane will emphasize birds and other wildlife subjects as well.

Jane is an award-winning landscape and underwater photographer. She started her photography adventure in high school and picked it back up again when her daughter left for college. A lifelong love of nature and animals led her to spend more time outdoors with her camera, and she soon developed a passion for nature photography. After learning to



Image Courtesy: Jane Palmer

scuba dive, it seemed only natural to take a camera underwater! Jane now travels the world capturing the magic of the underwater world with her camera. Jane's work can be seen on her website [janepalmerphotography.com](http://janepalmerphotography.com). In addition, Jane is a contributing author on *Visual Wilderness*, writing articles that are seen by thousands of photographers. Jane shares her enthusiasm for photography with her students, whether in the classroom teaching post processing, in the field talking about light and composition from behind the camera, or working side by side during a dive to teach underwater photo skills.

## October 19th Meeting – Ray Kersting of Schiller's Camera

In October, Ray Kersting will be presenting on photographic equipment, covering a range of items. He will talk about new lines being carried by Schiller's Camera, such as F-Stop bags and Nisi filters, along with discussing some of the various things to look for in a tripod or monopod, among other products.

Ray has been in the photography industry for more than 30 years. He started out assisting and shooting as a freelancer and has shot everything from weddings and portraits, to architecture and catalog work. He started at Schiller's in 1996, and has served in a number of roles as his position has evolved. In addition to helping out in their retail store, he manages Schiller's pro shop. Outside the store, he deals with corporate, commercial, and educational accounts. His core specialty is lighting, but he has a general base of knowledge of all things photographic, and enjoys being Schiller's ambassador to the clubs.

## Show & Share

Members are invited to share up to five (5) nature-related images at the upcoming meetings. Images do not have to be recent and you do not have to talk about your images. If you would like to have your images shown anonymously, or not be called on to talk about them, let Jerry Miller know in the email you use to submit your images. Submissions are due by September 18th for the September meeting and October 16th for the October meeting.

Please follow the submission guidelines below and pay particular attention to how you name your files. \*\*We want to have each image named with your last name, then first name, the year and month of your submission and the subject. This convention is extremely helpful as we gather images for Show and Share, the Holiday Show, newsletter, website, or our Facebook accounts.

Show and Share will come after the presentation during our meetings. Submissions are due by midnight on the Saturday prior to each month's meeting. See the dates below.

To submit for Show and Share please follow the procedures below. See the Holiday Show protocols on Page 2 for details.

- Resize your images so vertical images are a maximum of 1,800 pixels high and horizontal images are 1,800 pixels wide.
- Name your images using your last name then first name and the year and month of submission as well as the subject. For example, SmithJane-2021-09-Subject. No spaces.
- Save your images as .jpg files. Your saved images should be less than 4 MB in size.
- Compress your five resized images into a zip file. (If you don't know how to do this step, just send them as they are.)

Attach the zip file to an email addressed to [share@monep.org](mailto:share@monep.org) by midnight Saturday, September 18th for the September meeting and Saturday, October 16th for the October meeting.

The mission of the Missouri Nature and Environmental Photographers is to provide a forum for individuals interested in the field of nature photography and the environment, provide education, gather and disseminate information, and promote nature photography as an art form and medium of communication.

Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, except for December. Meetings start at 6:30 pm. Specific dates and meeting locations are posted in the newsletter and on the website. The bi-monthly newsletter is edited by Barbara Addelson and designed by Dug Threewitt.

Visit our website at [www.monep.org](http://www.monep.org)