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The Shutter Crew Longtime Westbridge Camera Club Is Community Pillar

The Way We See It: Photo Art by Local Photographers

More than 100 photographs will be on display from Jan. 29-Feb. 22 by Westbridge Camera Club members.

Information provided by the Westbridge Camera Club Community contributor

he Westbridge Camera Club will be presenting a large show of more than 100 photographs by its members called, The Way We See It: Photo Art By Local Photographers at the High Road Gallery, 12 E. Stafford Ave., in Worthington between Jan. 29 and Feb. 22. The public artist's reception is from 2 to 4 p.m. Feb. 2.

Located in Worthington, the Westbridge Camera Club meetings are held at the Worthington Griswold Center, 777 High St., from September through May. Westbridge is central Ohio's oldest camera club.

As a member of the club, participants have ongoing opportunities to take their photography to the next level. Opportunities include educational programs, photo competitions, critique nights, photographic outings, exhibiting work, friendship and fun. Those who are interested in photography can visit the group for a free trial Westbridge Camera Club meeting.

Educational programs are held on the first Wednesday of each month. For all camera club meetings, social time begins at 7 p.m. and the meeting is from 7:20 to 9 p.m. Past educational programs have been on "Slice and Dice," a critique of images, and "Photoshop Layers."

Competition night is held on the third Wednesday of each month. Competitions are for photographers of all skill levels. The competition categories include digital uploads, color prints and monochrome prints. Some months, the competition photos must have a specific theme.

The competitions are judged by professional photographers and college professors of the arts. The membership at the camera club includes some of the best photographers in Ohio.

Critique nights are held on months that have a fifth Wednesday. Members who want constructive comments on one of their photos can have it critiqued by a panel of judges from their own membership. Great constructive advice and ideas are given to help members improve their photography.

Our members schedule photographic outings on a regular basis. Members can enjoy the company and friendship of others while photographing interesting new places.

Recent trips have been to various Columbus-area metro parks, downtown Columbus, the Grove City balloon launch and Schnormeier Gardens.

With a portfolio of photos, members have opportunities to exhibit their work. Our members are currently displaying their photos are the McConnell Arts Center, the Zanesville Museum of Art, the Westminster-Thurber Community Center, Westerville Starbucks, Starbucks on Sawmill and Java Central in Westerville.

Please see our show at The High Road Gallery, and join us at the Westbridge Camera Club for friendship, fun, and all these *Continued on next page*



"Autumn Leaves" by Kathy Wagner. Photo courtesy of Kathy Wagner



"I'm in the Mood for Love" by Cynthia DeGrand. Photo courtesy of Cynthia DeGrand



"Flamingo" by Richard Marquardt. Photo courtesy of Richard Marquardt



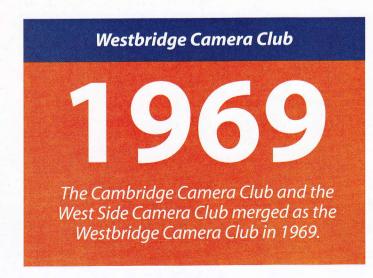
"Summertime" by John Enterline. Photo courtesy of John Enterline

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amazing opportunities! For more information, please visit our website at westbridgecc.com.

Club History

The Cambridge Camera Club began meeting on April 13, 1949 at the First Community Church on Cambridge Boulevard. Early activities included photographic outings, 30-minute classes prior to meetings, guest speakers, slide shows by members, contests and a May banquet dinner that cost \$1 in 1950.



The West Side Camera Club started in 1948 or 1949. The clubs first held a joint meeting on March 29, 1960, then

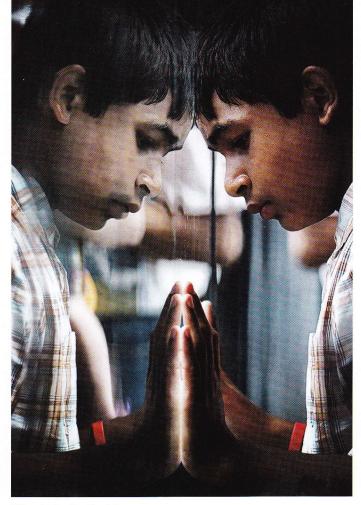
hosted a joint annual competition from 1960 to 1969.

The clubs merged as Westbridge Camera Club in September 1969.

Club Officers and Committee Chairs

The Club Officers and Committee Chairs are as follows: Officers

- Al Siegel, president
- Richard Marquardt, vice president
- Karen English, secretary
- Charles Bowdie, treasurer/historian
- Dave Mondiek, past president
- Members At-Large
- Audrey Begun (2011-2014)
- Dick Burry (2012-2015)
- Carol Shurlow (2013-2016)
- Committee Chairpersons and Appointed Positions
- · Education, Dick Wood
- Photo walks, led by members, Tom Forte, coordinator
- Photo challenge groups, Tom Snide
- Digital Sub-committe, Al Siegel and Carol Shurlow
- Membership, Melinda Wagner
- Hospitality, Tina Efaw
- Exhibition, Cheri Brent



"Wondering" by Fred Braun. Photo courtesy of Fred Braun

- Facilities liasion, Al Siegel
- Nominations (past president), Dave Mondiek
- · Holiday and annual banquet, Dave Mondiek
- Newsletter, Christie Newland (editor) and Brent Sommers (design)
 - Equipment, Wan Jung
 - Webmaster, Tim Patterson.

Past Presidents

- 2012-2013, Dave Mondiek
- 2011-2012, Jim Mitchell
- 2010-2011, Gerry Allen
- 2009-2010, Eric Erickson
- 2008-2009, Tom Snide
- 2007-2008, Mike Lehner
- 2006-2007, Dave Dillahunt
- 2005-2006, Jean McCarty
- 2004-2005, Dick Manassa
- 2003-2004, Tenny Williams



Membership Information

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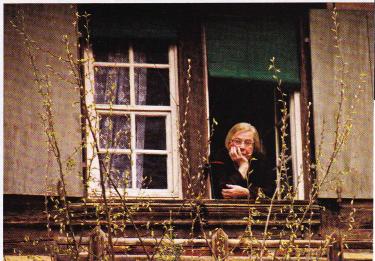
Membership in the Westbridge Camera Club is open to any individual ages 18 and older who have an avid interest in photography and a desire to learn and share.

The club has annual membership dues. In order to participate in monthly competitions, people must be members of the club. However guests can attend any meeting.

Meetings

Monthly meetings are held at the Griswold Center, 777 High St. in Worthington starting with a social time at 7 p.m. and a meeting at 7:20 p.m.

- **Regular club meetings** are hosted from September through May on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.
- An annual awards banquet or "Salon" takes place on the first Friday in June.
- The club meets for dinner at 5:30 before meetings called "Gor-May Dining." The name is a play on words for "gourmet dining" to reflect a less formal, more friendly gathering.



"Not Another Spring" Dick Burry. Photo courtesy of Dick Burry

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Photo courtesy of Cheri Brent

Westbridge Camera Club Hosting Photo Show

The Westbridge Camera Club is presenting a large show of more than 100 photographs by its members.

The photo above, "It's Just a Dream," is by club member Cheri Brent.

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For more information about the Westbridge Camera Club, please visit westbridgecc.com. —*Westbridge Camera Club*