



# Snapshots

*Sun City Photography Club Newsletter*

*Current Month, Year*



## *President's Corner*

*Tracey Smith*

*2024 Photography Club President*

I don't know about you, but I don't like New Year's resolutions. I know, I know. Goals are good things, but resolutions tend to fly out the window in the first week.

So I asked the new board of directors what goals they might have for 2024, and several words popped up: more imagination, modernization, excitement, efficiency, and assignments. Wait, assignments?

Yes, we want to challenge you to get out and shoot more photos. Learn more about using your camera to create great images. We are going to try new things and ways to show our amazing talents, because this membership is jam-packed with talent. We also have some very inspiring speakers coming to share their photography with us. And, if there's an opportunity to photograph something, we're probably going to have a field trip for it.

I do like even-numbered years. I was born in one and this one is going to be a milestone year for me. What better way to celebrate than to pioneer some new programs for the Sun City Photography Club. I hope you'll join us.

**Please note our general meeting dates in 2024. January 17 is our first monthly meeting, which happens to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. However, the rest of the years' dates will be later in the month. Except for May. And November. So, get in the habit of checking the calendar on the Photo Club website for the correct date.**

*General Meeting January 17 - 2:00 - 4:00*

*Social Time: 1:30 - 2:00*

*Georgetown/Florence Room, Cowan Creek*

The Photography Club is excited to once again host Sun City resident **David Valdez** as our speaker at our January general meeting. Valdez will not only regale us with tales from his time in the White House as George H. W.'s personal photographer, he will also discuss the 2024 Texas Photography Festival, and share stories and photos of other projects he's worked on in the recent months.

## *Meet Your 2024 Board Members*



Tracey Smith, President



Pat Maher, VP, Administration



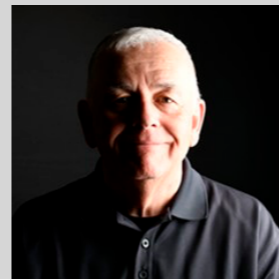
Kim Repede, VP Programs



Barbara Friedman, VP, Education



Milledge Hart, Treasurer



Clint Bond, Secretary

## *Photography Club Training January 2024*

January 12 & 19 - Getting Out of Auto - Marsha Larrabee  
[Click Here](#) for Class Description and to Register

## *Let's Go! Upcoming Field Trips*

### **Austin School of Fashion Design**

Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> 10AM-12PM & Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> 5-8PM

Time to kick-off 2024 with a field trip to the Austin School of Fashion Design (ASFD)- An academy where students from grade, middle and high school learn the skills to be tomorrow's top fashion designers. Skills like sketching, pattern making and sewing are taught which all leads up to their annual signature event-a fashion show where their creations walk the runway to be judged with awards and scholarships given out.

This field trip has two parts:

Part 1 will be a tour of the academy and get photos of the students at work on **Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 - 12:00**.

Part 2 will be the fashion show as their creations make it to the runway on **Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 -8:00 pm**

**ABOUT:** <https://academyforyoungdesigners.com/>

**WHERE:** The Academy is at the Gateway Shopping Center-9503 Research Blvd Suite 250, Austin, TX 78759.

The fashion show will be at: Anderson Terrace Wedding & Event Venue -11505 Anderson Mill Rd. Austin 78750

**COST:** The tour of the Academy is at no cost; the fashion show price is **\$65 but for us-no charge!** (any donation would be appreciated).

Parking and Car Pooling: As we get closer to the event, carpooling may be an option or we meet at the venue.

**PHOTO CHALLENGE:** This a great opportunity to develop and work on our story telling skills, to show in photos, the process of fashion making from start to finish. Please understand it is not necessary or required to do both parts, if you can only make one or the other, that is ok. Being at both just would make the story arc more complete.

**IMPORTANT!** The sign-up deadline for the fashion show is **January 24!** The academy needs a headcount from us to arrange for passes and seating.

For more information contact Tony Kawashima [tonykphoto7@gmail.com](mailto:tonykphoto7@gmail.com)

### **Carnaval Brasileiro in Austin**

**Saturday, February 3rd, 2024** - Doors open at 8PM, music starts at 9PM and ends about 1:45AM!

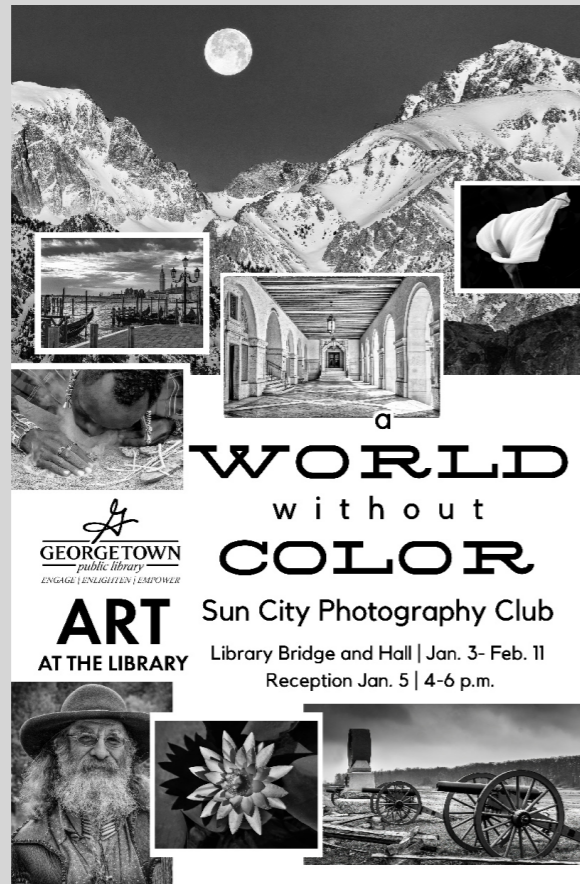
More information and to register, please Click Here:

[https://www.sctexas.org/club/scripts/calendar/view\\_club\\_calendarItem.asp?CID=5142031&src=&NS=MEMFAC&MFID=27379&MFCODE=CCLUB\\_PHOTO](https://www.sctexas.org/club/scripts/calendar/view_club_calendarItem.asp?CID=5142031&src=&NS=MEMFAC&MFID=27379&MFCODE=CCLUB_PHOTO)

— or, Click Here —

<https://sambaparty.com>

## Photographers' Exhibits Around Town



Don't forget to visit "A World Without Color,"  
Georgetown Library  
Photos on display until February 11, 2024

Randy Jensen, Jerry Meinzer and Tony Kawashima will have photos featured in the 2024 edition of the Living Grace coffee table book coming out in 2024! More details at a later date.

## *New SIG Announced!*

**The purpose of the Challenge SIG** is for members to improve their photography through regularly participating in monthly challenges based on a provided theme. Challenges such as these can help photographers push their creative boundaries and expand their technical knowledge through practice and online interaction with other members.

Any photo club member may participate – beginner or advanced, DSLR/Mirrorless or phone. The goal is to have fun practicing and learning.

**There are no meetings for this group.** Participation is through Dropbox only.

For more information and get the Dropbox link, please [Click Here](#)

Coordinator: Barbara Friedman, cubtf5@gmail.com

## *SIG Meetings - Activity Center, Game Rooms 1 & 2 January 2024*

January 5th - 9:30 - 11:30 am - iPhone SIG

January 8th - 2:30 - 4:00 pm - Photo Traveler SIG

January 10th - 9:30 - 11:30 am - Street Photography SIG

January 15th - 2:00 - 4:00 pm - Outdoor Photography SIG

January 17th - 10:00 - 12:00 am - Photo Discussion SIG

January 22nd - 1:00 - 3:00 pm - PSA Digital SIG

January 24th - 8:30 - 11:00 am - PSA Print SIG

## *Website, Email & Snapshots*

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### **Submission Guidelines to Snapshots:**

Articles must be received **by the 20<sup>th</sup>** of the month to be included in the next month's newsletter.

Lengthy articles may be edited to fit space. Links will be used for long articles.

Articles must be submitted digitally via email.

Photographs must be legally reproducible or licensed by the member submitting the photo. Include the Photographer's name, photo title, contest/show entered, placement received.

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