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WELCOME! March 9, 2026

Born in 1947 in Roseburg, Oregon, **David Hume Kennerly** turns 78 today. At 19, became staff photog for *The Oregon Journal*. At 20, he joined UPI. At 23, he was on *Air Force 1* with Nixon. Pulitzer Prize at 25. Covered wars, sports, the White House, world events.



Two young boys tend their water buffalo. Even during war, everyday life goes on. December 4, 1971, Krek, Cambodia.



Air Squirrel 3/1/2026.



4th Annual Black & White Photo Contest

Submission Period is March 1— March 31, 2026

Open to “all” interested photographers!

Theme - Landscapes

Black and white landscape photography is timeless and classic. It highlights the contrast between light and dark elements; and it can draw attention to textures, forms, and patterns found in the natural world.

Prize Pool

1st Place—\$300 in prizes

2nd Place—\$150 in prizes

3rd Place—\$75 in prizes

MPA Members can submit their 1st two images for **FREE** (contact your club for the code). And for \$15 MPA Members can submit an additional two images.

Non-MPA Members pay just \$15 for every two images submitted.

An individual may submit a maximum of 4 images.

Winners announced during a live webinar on Sunday, May 3



B-CCC members: 2 free entries. 2 more for \$15.

Club code: **CRW73**

Do NOT share the code with non-members!

Multi-club members: You can only enter from ONE club!

Submit jpg files, < 5MB



<https://www.mdphotoalliance.org>

Many terrific FREE learning opportunities

Next Webinar: March 10 – “The Art of Seeing: Success in Photography is in the Details,” with Joe Edelman



Podcast #58: Phil Caruso,
Movie & TV Still Photographer





2026 “Odyssey of Light”

Saturday, April 11, 2026....1:00PM—5:00 PM ET

**Dionne Warwick Theatre — On the Campus of Bowie State University
14000 Jerico Park Road — Bowie, MD 20715**

“The Power of Visual Storytelling”



Annie Griffiths — From Storyteller to Advocate

At age 25, Annie Griffiths was hired as one of the first women photographers at National Geographic. This led to a brilliant career defying categories and working in more than 100 countries.

Annie has received numerous awards, including from The National Press Photography Association, The White House News Photographers Association, The National Organization of Women, The Associated Press, Heifer International, and the University of Minnesota.

Michael Yamashita — East Meets West: In the Footsteps of Marco Polo

Michael Yamashita is a photographer and explorer who has contributed to *National Geographic* for over 40 years. His work has spanned six continents.

Michael has focused on retracing the journeys of historical explorers like Marco Polo and Zheng He. Michael's expertise lies in Far East cultures, particularly China and Japan, and his work has been exhibited globally. He has also published 16 books and made two documentary films. Michael's photographic narrative illustrates Marco's own accounts, which Michael hopes will inspire you.



\$70

General Admission

Includes

\$20 Nations Photo Lab Gift Card

<https://www.mdphotoalliance.org/odyssey-of-light-2026>

**B-CCC members: \$50.
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THE MENTORING GROUP

Zooms on Thursday, March 19th

- Meeting starts at 6:30pm, for any and all Q&A and photo critiques.
- Program starts at 7pm: Ken Barlow – Sotterly Eagles Nest
- Our usual Zoom link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81346883984?pwd=6CAsmyRcKoQyIGJFXilql4RMmqzjEm.1#success>

Meeting ID: 813 4688 3984

Passcode: 607501

The Viewfinder – your newsletter

- Check out *The Viewfinder* for photo events, field trips, interesting articles, all the things you need to know about the Bowie-Crofton Camera Club, and much more. <https://b-ccc.org/viewfinder/>
- **The March 2026 issue has next year's competition themes!**
- VPs and others: Please get your articles and images to Warren by the 20th of every month: viewfinder@b-ccc.org
- Please frequently check our webpage for changes in events and other info!
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If your image(s) win 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or HM in tonight's competition (Pictorialism), send to Warren for the *Viewfinder*, sized as for our digital entries.

If you went on the Udvar-Hazy field trip, send 2-4 images to Warren, sized as for our digital entries.

Next FIELD TRIP – Saturday, MAR 28
KINDER FARM PARK
Millersville, MD

<https://www.kinderfarmpark.org/facilities.html>

See the writeup in the March *Viewfinder*.
*If interested in joining the group, please
contact*

our fearless leader, Mark Laster:
mark.nmi.laster@gmail.com





PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA

- B-CCC is affiliated with the PSA – we will even judge one of their many competitions this year.
- We compete as a club, and can rock their world in three competitions. For the final one this season, submit by April 1.
- Denise Hill is our Rep for PSA.
- Submit 4-8 of your best images, color and monochrome, to Denise.
(same size as our digital entries) Email: psa@b-ccc.org

Club Exhibit in June

Patuxent Wildlife Research Visitors Center

Writeup in the February *Viewfinder*

Update in the March *Viewfinder*

About a dozen are thus far participation. There is room for more.

Prepare 1-4 nature themed photos, ready to hang.

Reception: Saturday, June 20, 1:30 – 3:30pm.

B-CCC Will Partner with the Patuxent Research Refuge

They are submitting a grant to the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

“Nature in Focus: Connecting Our Community through Art and Nature”

Goal: Introduce new user groups to the National Wildlife Refuge in ways that tap into their creativity. This will enhance the existing naturalist programs by introducing art and photography as bridges to entice people to enjoy nature beyond taking a simple walk.

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Some potential activities:

- **Joint Programming and Events:** BCCC will collaborate with Patuxent Research Refuge to host photography workshops and educational sessions, including topics such as “How to Photograph Your Subject” and “Getting Out of Auto Mode.”
- **Field Trips and Community Engagement:** BCCC will participate in field trips at Patuxent Research Refuge and promote these events to its membership.
- **Volunteer Time and Expertise:** BCCC members will contribute their time and photography expertise to support project activities, including instruction and mentoring during workshops and events, such as introducing children and the public to nature photography.

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We already have 10 volunteers!!!

I will coordinate our participation, including over the summer when our club meetings take a break.

Let me know if you are interested, even just occasionally.

Stefan.kaben@comcast.net

UPCOMING MEETINGS

March 16, **Photo Talk** – “Nature Photography” + review of digital entries (Hybrid)

March 19, **Mentoring Group**, Starts at 6:30pm; Eagle Nests (Zoom only)

March 23, **Program** – “Real Estate Photography” w/ Vince Ferrari (Hybrid)

March 28, **Field Trip** – Kinder Farm Park, Mark Laster is our leader (In-Person!!)

March 30, **How-To** – “Hands on! One Subject, 10 Photos” (In-Person!!)

Now thru March 31 – MPA’s B&W Landscape contest submissions

April 6, **Competition** – Theme “Nature” (Hybrid) [Digital entries by 3/31]

April 11, **MPA Odyssey of Light**; Bowie State University

April 11, **Field Trip** – Sotterly Plantation Eagles Nests, Beth Fabey is leading

Other announcements?

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On to tonight's Competition

Mute your phone & Zoom microphone!

Turn off your Zoom-camera!