KPPA DIGITAL IMAGE JUDGING/CRITIQUE

The 2018 KPPA Fall Shutter Expo in Topeka will be held in Medicine Lodge, KS, September 21 - 23, so it's time to think about your entries for the image/critique competition. The Fall Expo is a great place to start and test your images before the state, district and international competitions. The judging panel can provide you with tips and ideas to help your images score higher in competition. All entries for this judging/critique must be in the form of electronic files. This medium will allow even more entrants a chance to enter with no major print preparation expense to participate.

Entrants to this event may enter up to six images for scoring and critique. Jurors will be a panel of Kansas Masters of Photography. Ribbons will be awarded to the highest scoring image in each category.

Judges will be available after the judging for any individual wishing to have more one-on-one time with the judges. Entrants desiring further help should bring their images on a laptop, I-pad or some type of viewing device for use after the critique.

The Critique will begin approximately at 10:00 am, September 23rd. Anyone wishing to create better images should attend even if you don't enter. Listening to the comments and seeing the images will be a valuable experience.

Here's the Skinny on the Costs, Dates and Rules

1. Entry fee for the print review is included in the registration up to six (6) image files.
2. All entries must be uploaded and received by the print chair by **midnight, Tuesday, September 18th**.
3. Entrants must be a member of KPPA.
4. Judging will begin about 10:00 am, Sunday, Sunday, September 23, 2018.
5. Entries created during a seminar of any sort, school class or under the supervision of an instructor will be disqualified. Any entry that has previously earned a seal of approval or merit is ineligible and will be disqualified. Any images entered into IPC this year will be accepted, provided they have never been entered into any Kansas Image Competition.
6. Entrants will assign a category to each entry. Categories are, Men, Women, Children, Groups, Pets, Couples (no more than two people), Wedding, Illustrative and Artist. Ribbons will be awarded to the highest scoring entry in each category.
7. All entries will be judged on photographic artistry and craftsmanship utilizing PPA's Twelve Elements of a Merit Print.
   #### See: **www.ppa.com/competitions/international/12elements.php**
8. By entering all agree that they have personally originated the concept behind each entry and that to the best of their recollection images represented by the entries in no way intentionally imitate any other work they are familiar with. They also certify that they have created, composed and captured the original exposures and that special effects were done under their direct supervision and that they have read and understand KPPA rules for entry. Entrants must have obtained all necessary releases and agree to hold KPPA harmless against all claims and liabilities arising out of KPPA's consideration, display, publication and promotion or other use of each image. KPPA assumes no responsibility for damage to entries. Decisions of the KPPA Print Chair are final.

DIGITAL FILE SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

File Name Requirements

File names must follow the format that follows and use underscores instead of spaces.

Format	*Sample*
1_Category_Your_Name_Image_Title.jpg	1_ IL_Ron-Clevenger_Morning_Serenade.jpg

The sequence number at the beginning of the file name refers to the number of your entry. Entrants may enter up to six (6) images, but number them in the order you wish to have the judged/critiqued, i.e., 1=most important, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6=less important.

Categories are abbreviated as follows:
   ME=Men, **WO**=Women, **CH**=Child, **GR**=Groups, **CO**=Couples,
      PT=Pets, **WE**=Wedding, **IL**=Illustrative and **AR**=Artists.

Canvas Size Requirements

All files must be on a jpeg canvas and the longest dimension can be no longer than 1600 pixels either horizontal or vertical (16 in. at 100dpi). Save files as jpegs with a quality of 12.

Monitor Calibration Settings

Images will be judges/critiqued using an Apple 30" Cinema Display that has been calibrated using Eye One software. The following settings are the ones PPA uses for their District and International judging and that is where our monitor will be set:
  Color Temp: D65 or 6500K
  Luminance: 120
  Gamma: 2.2

Upload Procedure

Address an e-mail to **r n s t u d i o@swbell.net**. In the subject line put "KPPA PRINTS". In the body of the e-mail include **your name, address, city, state, zip, phone number and e-mail address.** Make sure your images are numbered, categorized and identified correctly. **Attach** your entries and send. The KPPA Print Chair will respond with an e-mail to inform you of the receipt of your files.