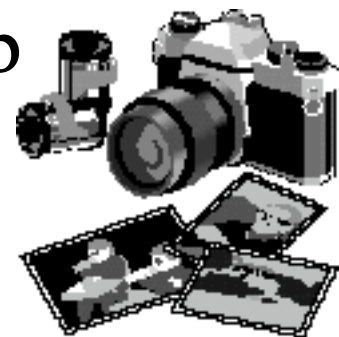




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BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Sec. 1. Dues must be paid in full before one is entitled to any membership privileges.
- Sec. 2. Members must attend a minimum of ten (10) meetings a year, two (2) of which must be business meetings.
- Sec. 3. Members must serve on at least one (1) of the committees specified in the Constitution.
- Sec. 4. Members violating the Constitution, By-Laws, or any rules or regulations of the Park West Camera Club may be suspended by the Executive Committee for a period of time determined by the seriousness of the abuse. If any of the regulations governing members are broken, the offending member will be charged by the Executive Committee. At this time the member may defend his/her position. If the charged member is dissatisfied with the decision of the Executive Committee, said member may appeal to the Club membership who shall be advised of the situation and come to a final resolution at the next regularly scheduled business meeting. Any decision overriding the Executive Committee must be passed by a two-thirds majority of those members voting, provided a quorum is present.
- Sec. 5. The Executive Committee may waive qualifications number 2 and/or 3 (above) under extenuating circumstances.

ARTICLE II - RULES

- Sec. 1. Each member is financially responsible for any equipment damaged or broken by him/her.
- Sec. 2. Park West Camera Club property may only be borrowed for personal use with the express permission of the Executive Committee. Any PWCC property removed from the premises for personal use is at the risk of the borrower.
- Sec. 3. Questions regarding the abuse of Club equipment will be decided by the appropriate committee and/or the Executive Committee.

- Sec. 4. Club facilities or equipment may not be used during scheduled Club meetings, workshops, or field trips which will require their use.
- Sec. 5. There shall be no smoking in any room or facility of the Club at any time.
- Sec. 6. Prospective Club members and former Club members may attend four (4) Club meetings and/or activities during any Club year. After this they must join/rejoin the Club or they will be asked to leave.

ARTICLE III - COMPETITIONS

Sec. 1. Categories

There will be one (1) slide, one (1) print, and one (1) projected digital image competition each month. The following rules hold true independently for the slide, print, and projected digital image competitions.

Sec. 2. Rules of Entry

- (a) Up to two (2) slides, two (2) prints, and two (2) projected digital images taken by the member may be entered.
- (b) All entries must have been totally made by the member, with the following exceptions: film need not be processed by the member; prints may be commercially printed but all creative work must be done by the member, prints need not be mounted nor matted by the member; digital files from film need not be scanned by the member. The use of clip art, web images, stock images, or the like are not permitted.
- (c) Print and slide entries must be submitted to the Competition Committee at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled meeting time on the evening of the contest. Projected digital images must be submitted at least one (1) week prior to the scheduled competition. Submission shall be according to rules established by the Competition Committee.
- (d) All entries must contain the name of the maker, a descriptive title for identification purposes, and an indication of how to present the photograph. In the case of slides, they must be spotted in the lower left-hand corner as viewed. In the case of prints, the top must be indicated on the rear of the mount. In the case of projected images the title must be in the following format: lastnamefirstinitial-monthyear-title.jpg.
- (e) Slides must be in 2x2" mounts. Slides must be shot using film and may not be scanned and/or digitally manipulated in any way. Prints must be securely mounted so as to safely withstand the handling necessary during competitions. Prints may not be framed or encased in glass, plastic, or similar materials. Projected digital images must be in the .jpg format and be less than one (1) megabyte in size.
- (f) Competition entries are submitted at the risk of the owner.
- (g) Professional members of the Club may not enter competitions. A professional photographer is defined as one who makes his/her living, or

major portion thereof, by taking and selling photographic negatives, prints, or slides.

Sec. 3. Judging

Each competition shall be judged as follows:

- a) All entries will be viewed by the judge.
- b) Entries will be viewed a second time. The judge will critique each entry. The judge will grade each entry as "A," "B," or "C," according to merit.
- c) At any time the judge may re-grade any entry, moving it up or down.
- d) The judge may pick any number of entries from those graded "A" which he/she feels are truly outstanding and give them "Honors."
- e) From the "Honors," or from those graded "A," if there are no "Honors," the judge will pick a "Slide/Print/Projected Digital Image-of-the-Month."

Sec. 4. Points are scored as follows:

- 12 points - "Slide/Print/Projected Digital Image-of-the-Month"
- 10 points - "Honors"
- 8 points - "A"
- 4 points - "B"
- 2 points - "C"

Sec. 5. Reentry

- (a) Only slides, prints, or projected digital images which failed to win an "A" may be re-entered in any subsequent monthly competition. Entries which to all intents and purposes duplicate a previously entered image cannot be entered in future monthly competition. Previously entered images may not be entered into one of the other competition categories in the same year.
- (b) Any slide or print reentered into a monthly competition will receive 50% of the points as listed above in Sec. 4.

Sec. 6. "Print/Slide/Projected Digital Image-of-the-Year"

- (a) A year-end competition will be held in June, after the last monthly competition.
- (b) Rules
 - 1) Each member may submit up to four (4) prints and/or four (4) slides, and/or four (4) projected digital images.
 - 2) All entries must have been submitted in monthly competitions during the current Club season.
- (c) Judging
 - 1) There will be three (3) judges, none of whom will have judged any monthly competition during the Club season.
 - 2) Each contest shall be judged as follows:
 - a- all entries will be viewed by the judges.

- b- entries will be shown a second time and each judge will give, without the knowledge of the other judges, from one (1) to nine (9) points for each entry.
- c- point scores will be totalled, recorded and announced by the Competition Committee.
- d- the entry receiving the highest point total in each category (prints and slides will be declared the winner. The four (4) entries with the next highest point totals will receive honorable mentions.
- e- in the event of any tie scores, only those entries which are tied will be rejudged. These rejudged scores will be used only to position those entries being rejudged among themselves. This rejudging process will continue until only one (1) clear winner and four (4) honorable mentions remain.

ARTICLE IV - APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

- Sec. 1. Appropriations may be made at any regularly scheduled Club meeting, providing a quorum is present.
- Sec. 2. Once the Club's budget is approved at the May Business Meeting, Committee Chairs or their designee can spend up to their allocated budget for the year commencing the following September 1st
- Sec. 3. Approval of a reasonable amount of funds for monthly stationery, printing/ mailing supplies, and postage will be automatic and need not be voted upon as each occasion arises. The Treasurer will report at each regular business meeting the amounts expended under this provision.

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