

The Photography West 2012 Mentor/Mentee (M & M) Program

In an attempt to meet the needs of the Photography West members, there will be two segments of the M & M Program. These segments are “Basic” and “Intermediate/Advanced.”

This redesign of the M & M program will provide an opportunity for photographers of all experience levels to follow the path to create improved pictures, learn tips and techniques of the masters, meet and network with fellow mentees, and become more confident in their skills.

The Basic (1st level) segment is designed to help you learn to use your camera to obtain better and more effective pictures. This course is designed for members who have point and shoot, fixed lens, and DSLR (Digital Single Lens Reflex) cameras. Workshops will include topics such as Basic Camera, Basic Digital Camera, Seeing the Light, and Composition. There will also be an opportunity to go on a photo shoot with mentors to practice using your camera (One mentor may be assigned to several mentee students for this photo shoot). A critique of photos taken during the course will be included. Mentees will be encouraged to submit mounted photos for the M & M Program Solo Show in April and digital files for the Fall Mentee Friday Program. Duration of this course is six (6) weeks.

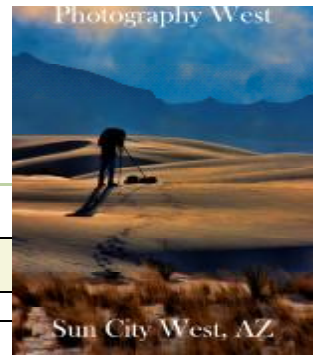
The Intermediate (2nd level) segment is designed primarily for members with advanced point and shoot and DSLR cameras who want more than just mastering their camera. Individuals will be paired with Mentors (Advanced and Master Photographers) who will assist you with developing your skills, accompany you on photo shoots, and introduce you to intermediate and advanced techniques of photo editing. The course will include lectures on specific types of photography such as landscapes, candid people, animals, creative, flowers, portraits, night or flash. Becoming more familiar with the photo editing software, Photoshop Elements, will be a portion of this segment. A critique event will be held as well as a Solo Show for the group, and a Fall Friday Program will be put together with the Mentee digital photo contributions. Duration of this segment is six (6) weeks.

Members wanting to participate in the “Intermediate” segment will need to have completed the “Basic” segment. Those wishing to complete only the 1st (Basic) segment will be able to enroll in that single segment.

You must be a current member of Photography West to be eligible to submit an application for the program. A check made payable to Photography West for the amount of \$25 (\$50 for both segments) must be received with your application. You must give back to the club in some manner (monitor in a Lab, volunteer as a committee member, help with the arts & crafts fair, etc.) before your application will be processed. As a mentee, you are required to monitor in a Lab twice (two 3 hour periods) during the course of the program. Your assistance would be appreciated when available for a variety of club activities such as the print show, arts & crafts fair, open house, etc. The cost of the M & M Program is \$25 per segment. Workshops are scheduled on Wednesday mornings at 9:30am. Critique events are held on selected evenings at 7:00pm. You are expected to attend every workshop scheduled for your segment.

I have read and understand the above information pertaining to the Photography West M & M Program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



2012 Photography West M & M Application

Please PRINT

Contact Information	
SCW Rec Card #	
Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Alternate Address	
City, ST ZIP Code	

Camera / Computer Equipment Information	
Camera Make (Point and Shoot/ Fixed Lens)	
Camera Model	
Camera Make (Digital Single Lens Reflex)	
Camera Model	
Camera Lenses (range of zoom lens in mm)	
Other camera accessories (i.e. external flash, tripod, etc.)	
Computer Operating System (MAC, Windows 7, XP, etc.)	
Computer/ Photography Software	
Photo Editing Software (include version information)	
Printer Make & Model	
Comments	

Camera / Photography Skills Information		
Rate the following 0 – 5 (0 = no experience, 5 = confident, advanced)		
Basic Photography Experience		
Basic Camera Experience		
Current Camera Equipment Experience		
Experience using Shutter Speeds		
Experience using F Stops		
Experience using Mode Settings		
Have you ever studied Photography?	.. Yes	.. No
Have you ever studied Art?	.. Yes	.. No
Have you ever developed and printed a picture in a Darkroom?	.. Yes	.. No
Have you ever printed a picture on your Home Printer?	.. Yes	.. No
Are you interested in Film Photography?	.. Yes	.. No
Are you interested in Black & White Photography?	.. Yes	.. No

Computer / Photography Skills Information	
Rate the following 0 – 5 (0 = no experience, 5 = confident, advanced)	
Basic Computer Knowledge	
Experience using Photo Editing Software	
Experience using Photoshop Elements	
Experience using Adobe Lightroom	
Experience using CS5	
Experience transferring files to computer	
Experience burning CDs/ DVDs	
Experience organizing photo files	

Camera and Computer Skills and experience

Summarize/comment on your skills and experience. (include classes, training, special experiences)

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Expectations / Interest

Explain what you want to learn from this program. Please be specific.

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Agreement and Signature

Check one or both boxes that apply -

I wish to apply for the Basic (Level 1) segment of the 2012 program.

I wish to apply for the Intermediate/ Advanced (Level 2) segment of the 2012 program.

I understand that submitting this completed application with deposit does not guarantee me a position in the 2012 M & M Program. Acceptance to the program is based on a First Come/ First Served basis (and for segment Level 2 - provided a mentor match can be made).

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	
Describe your current involvement with the club (monitor date(s), committee, other)	

For Committee Use ONLY	
Date Application/ Payment Received	
Check #	
Basic Segment Mentor	
Int/ Adv Segment Mentor	
Committee Member Signature	
Refund (check # & Date)	
Club involvement requirement met:	
Required Monitor dates -	
Comments	

Completed application with signatures and check (payable to Photography West) in the amount of \$25/ \$50 may be dropped off at the Beardsley Recreation Center Photo Lab. Please place your application and check in an envelope, have the monitor sign & date the envelope and place it in the cash box with other workshop envelopes.

OR

You may mail you application and check to:

Photography West Camera Club
 Attn: Marcella Jones
 20230 N. 124th Drive
 Sun City West, AZ 85375