

May 2024

# DENVER CMC PHOTOGRAPHY SECTION NEWSLETTER

May 8th

Photo Section  
Meeting

Join us Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.

## Photo Section Meeting

**Capturing Shadows: A Journey into Eclipse**  
Presentation by Rob Lantz

**Photography IMPORTANT: This meeting will be in  
Person and via Zoom, see email for Zoom link**

Please send no more than 2 anonymous Eclipse images or Grand Landscape images to Sandy Robinson ([sjrobinson0630@gmail.com](mailto:sjrobinson0630@gmail.com)) by May 5th.

The CMC photo section holds monthly meetings the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

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# Guest Speaker Rob Lantz - May 8th

## Capturing Shadows: A Journey into Eclipse Photography

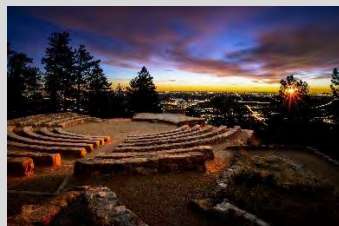
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In the heart of Boulder, Colorado, Rob Lantz is a nature photographer whose work reflects a deep connection to the local landscapes that surround him. With a keen eye for the dramatic interplay of light and color, Rob crafts images that are as much about capturing a moment as they are about evoking the emotion and majesty of being present in the natural world. His approach, blending one-site composites to create bold, immersive scenes, invites viewers to step into the frame, to stand where he stood, and to see what he saw with as much wonder and awe. Photography for Rob is not just a profession but a journey that began with a camera in high school, leading to a Fine Arts degree from the Art Institute of Dallas. While life took him on diverse paths—from computer programming to entrepreneurship in both Texas and the Virgin Islands—his heart remained tethered to photography. Settling in Boulder was a return to his artistic roots, where he immersed himself once more in the art community.

Despite a rich and varied career, Rob is perhaps most passionate about a project that feels like his calling: capturing the ethereal beauty of solar and lunar eclipses. This venture started in 2017, when the first total solar eclipse he witnessed ignited a fascination that would define his latest artistic chapter. Rob employs meticulous planning and multiple cameras to document not just the celestial event but its impact on the earthly landscape, creating images that are as much about the eclipse as they are about the sense of place they convey.

Beyond his camera, Rob is a community-oriented artist, having founded R Gallery + Wine Bar to celebrate local art in all its forms. His work and his gallery have become fixtures in Boulder, reflecting his commitment to the local art scene and his belief in the power of art to connect and uplift.

As Rob continues to explore the interface between the earth and the cosmos through his photography, he remains a humble observer of the universe's grandeur, dedicated to sharing the beauty he sees with others. His journey is a reminder that sometimes, the most profound experiences come from looking up at the sky from the very place we stand.



# Upcoming Photo Section Meetings, Trips and Notices

Date	Event	Description
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Guest Speaker – Rob Lantz	Capturing Shadows – A Journey into Eclipse Photography
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sunrise Hike – Roxborough State Park	Sign ups open May 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 7am – Space is limited.
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Photo outing to Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield to photograph Heirloom Iris Garden	Sign up on CMC Website
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Shooter's Choice – Adam Johanknect	Hiking through Arizona, New Mexico and Utah

## Welcome, Matt Bixler

Matt has joined the Steering Committee and will present in October.

## Free camera!

Peggy had a friend gift us a Canon EOS 40D (body only), if you have an interest in the camera, please contact Frank and he can arrange to get it to you. First come first serve.

# Photo Section Volunteers Needed

## Annual Planning Meeting and Leadership Rotation:

Last year many of you participated in our October meeting where we brainstormed ideas for programming in 2024. This effort was very successful, and we have programs booked for all of this year with the exception of October and November. Thank you to the many members who chipped in to make the 2024 programming happen. The Photo Section has thrived for almost 14 years thanks to committed volunteers who have stepped up to lead the group as well as to help out with monthly programs, education, photo outings/hikes and newsletter/marketing. This October in addition to program planning we will elect a new chair and co-chair, rotation of leadership will keep our group vibrant and engaging.

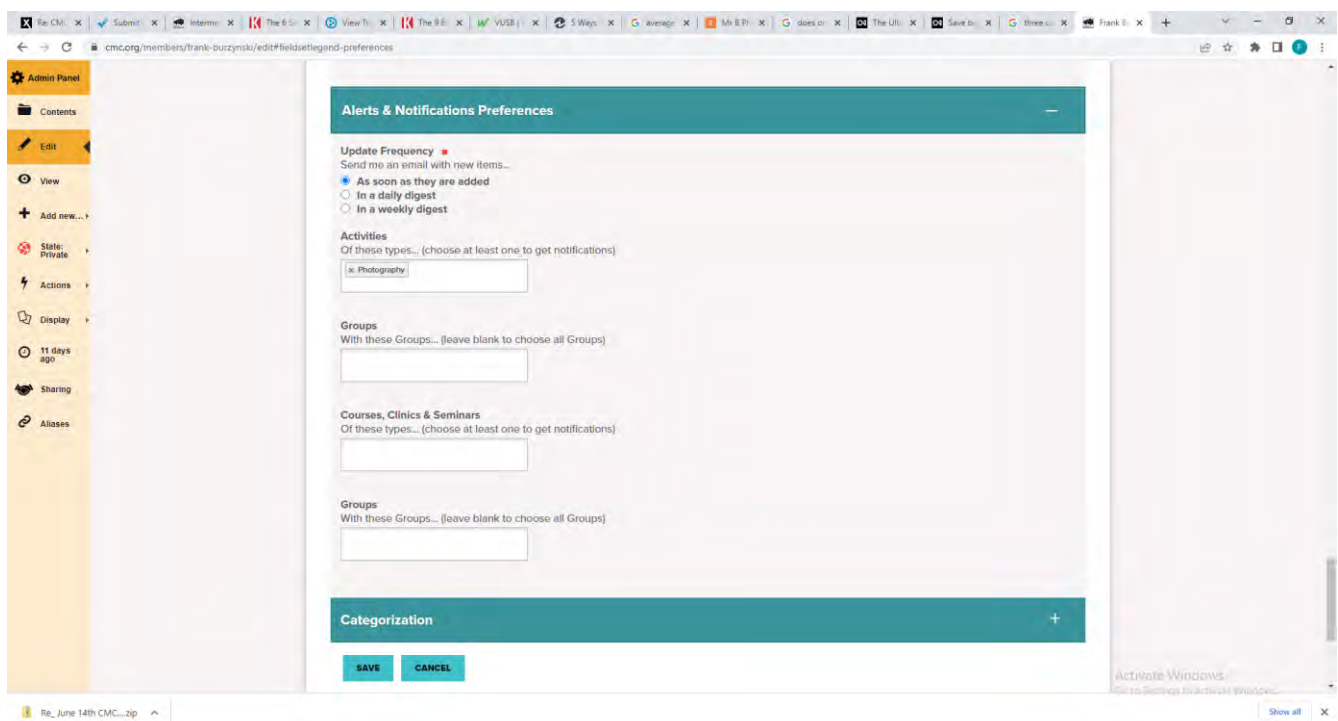
Currently, the Photo Section needs members for the following tasks:

1. Lead photo outings and hikes
2. Post monthly meeting to CMC calendar

Please email [fburzynski@comcast.net](mailto:fburzynski@comcast.net) if you'd like more information or would like to volunteer for one of the above roles.

## CMC Website Tip

Completing this one item will enroll you to receive prompt notice of any photography related hike as it is placed on the calendar. Login to the CMC web site, then navigate to your name on the top right of the page, a drop-down menu will appear. Navigate in the drop-down menu to the heading My Preferences, click on this item. The Preferences page will appear, scroll to the bottom for the section "Alerts and Notification Preferences", select how you want to be notified and then add the keyword "Photography" under the activities portion, lastly click save at the bottom of the page.



# Shooter's Choice Volunteers

The photography group is diverse, with numerous photographic interests and skill levels. We are looking for presentations about any interest at any skill level. The concept of Shooter's Choice is to learn about both photography and the lessons learned on our unique photographic journeys. This may include photos from a single day trip, a vacation, or decades of experience, but should primarily address the photography performed along the journey. Presentations may last 45-60 minutes. It may be single person's work or a group of people may split that time.

A Shooter's Choice presentation involves selecting a related set of photographs to discuss. These need not be polished photos. They may address an exploration of one subject, an experiment, an attempt to solve a problem, or the key results of your learning curve through your journey.

The presentation may include:

1. What you liked or disliked about the photos and what you might do differently next time.
2. How the photograph was taken (if pertinent include camera mode, lens, focus, depth of field, ISO, shutter speed, etc.)
3. What challenges you addressed, and the successes and failures you had.

**Your Shooter's Choice can be a great way to improve your photography skills and meet people with like photographic interests. We look forward to seeing your photographs!**

If interested, contact Selma Kristel at [hikerselma@gmail.com](mailto:hikerselma@gmail.com). If you would like more information or assistance with your Shooter's Choice, please contact Dan Orcutt at [orcutt.cmc@comcast.net](mailto:orcutt.cmc@comcast.net).

## COVID-19 and Colorado Mountain Club

As Colorado continues to alter restrictions surrounding COVID-19, the Colorado Mountain Club has altered its offerings with adjusted protocols to address COVID-19.

Find out more information and see the latest CMC announcements regarding COVID-19

at: <https://www.cmc.org/COVID-19andCMCProgramming.aspx>



# Join Our Facebook Page



Keep up to date on the CMC Photo group's meetings and outings.  
Plus share your latest photos and get info on other photography related events happening in  
the Denver area.

Join the Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cmcphto/>

# Member Photos

## Frank Burzynski





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## Photo Section Member Websites

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## Photo Section Newsletter Archives

<https://cmcdenver.org/specialinterests/photography-section/specialinterestsphotography-sectionphotography-section-newsletter-archives>

## Website Recommendations by Members

**lightstalking.com** Tips and tutorials, feedback, and downloadable photo goodies.

**essential-photoshop-elements.com**

Photoshop Elements 13 tutorials by Rick Peterson

**divephotoguide.com** Contains photos, trips and photo techniques by Matt Weiss. While it is written for underwater photographers, it is quite well done and some of the information is universal.

**lenscratch.com** A very good comprehensive website about photography. They have a new photographer every day, plus much more, including online exhibitions that you can be a part of, links to other websites, and shows to enter. It has constantly rated as one of the best websites for photography in the world.

**photoeye.com/bookstore/index.cfm** Photoeye Book Store, a great site about all sorts of photo books, one of the best for this subject.

**muybridgeshorse.com** Muybridge's Horse is a newer website devoted to animal photography and art. The young woman who started it went to school at CU.

**newlandscapephotography.com** New Landscape Photography is just that—a site about landscape photography. It has a new photographer once or twice a week and is also a Facebook group where anyone can upload photos.

**featureshoot.com/2014/02/52-photo-sites-get-inspired/#!vkVXB**

Feature Shoot, with a list to 50 more.

**the-digital-picture.com** Canon data including Zeiss, etc.

**imaging-resource.com** Detailed analysis of cameras and lenses.

**luminous-landscape.com** Techniques, tutorials, essays and reviews.

**app.photoephemeris.com** Sun and moon data displayed on a map.

**dpreview.com** General and specific topics of interest to photographers including excellent, thorough reviews.

**dxomark.com** Excellent technical data on cameras and lenses.

**coloradocaptures.com** General and specific topics of interest to photographers.

**shadowhousecreations.blogspot.com** Creative resources for artistic people. Free textures, brushes, tips and tutorials from photo artist Jerry Jones.

**brusheezy.com** Free Photoshop brushes, textures, patterns, and graphics.