



Teton Photography Group

February 2018 Newsletter



Dear Teton Photography Group Member -

Happy February! According to the groundhog we have about 6 weeks of winter left. Let's enjoy the rest of winter and anticipate the coming spring. I'm excited to tell you that we have a lot of great things happening in the next couple of months including our monthly critique and meeting, educational classes, and our gallery exhibition next month.

Join us on Monday, February 12 at 6pm for the Teton Photography Group photo critique. Bring a couple of your favorite latest photos on a flash drive as RAW and jpeg files and have it kindly and constructively critiqued. The meeting will be held in the small upstairs conference room of Jackson Hole Real Estate

Associates on 80 West Broadway in Jackson.

This month's public presentation is "Presets, Plug-ins, and Pop" on Monday, February 19 at 6P in the second floor meeting room at the Jackson Hole Real Estate Associates – 80 West Broadway. The discussion will be led by TPG member, Loren Nelson, and will be a general introduction to our first educational workshop focusing on the Nik software suite, later this month. Presets and plug-ins are some of the most powerful efficiency tools that help to streamline your workflow in Adobe Lightroom. In this presentation we will discuss how to create, add, and modify tools available in the Nik suite to bring "pop" to your images. This will be an overview of the tools available and the detailed, hands-on application of the tools will be during the weekend workshop. If you have had questions about presets, plug-ins, or the Nik software suite, this meeting will help to make these tools available to you.



The first TPG photography

educational weekend workshop is "Presets, Plug-ins, and Pop: a focus on the Nik software suite" on **Saturday, February 24 from Noon to 4P** in the second floor conference room of the Jackson Hole Real Estate Associates – 80 West Broadway. This will be a hands-on workshop creating Lightroom presets and using the Nik software plug-ins for Adobe Photoshop. The goal of the workshop is to increase experience with efficiency tools that add "pop" to your digital images. [Pre-registration for the workshop can be found at here.](#) Cost is \$35 for the 4-hour program.

This is the first trial workshop of the new TPGed program created to bring affordable, high quality photography educational programs to the region. The prerequisite for this program is working knowledge of Adobe Lightroom and basic/introductory knowledge of Photoshop. Registrants are encouraged to bring a laptop computer with Lightroom and Photoshop and some images available for editing. Pre-registration links to a site to download the free Nik software used in the workshop. Cash payment at the door will be available at this first workshop for those who have not preregistered.

If you're interested in improving your photography and haven't been to a **Peer Mentor Group** meeting yet, you really should try it out! The Peer Mentor Group is committed to developing a comfortable learning environment in which every question is respected, where everyone is at ease sharing their photographs for our critique, and where our goal is to help everyone improve their photography. **If you would like to join the Peer Mentor Program or have questions**, contact Randy Isaacson risaacso@iusb.edu for more information.



Additional Executive Committee News:

On January 18 the TPG held the first TPGed photography educational class. This was a trial program to determine if there was interest among our members for paid educational classes. The program was about optimizing image organization in the Lightroom library module and was an outstanding success. We had hoped for a minimum of 5 paid attendees and actually had 14. There was good discussion about a wide variety of organizational tools available to help photographers locate their images in the Lightroom catalog.

A second educational weekend workshop is planned for later this month. If this program is successful, the TPG Executive Committee has decided to move forward with a series of monthly paid evening classes and weekend workshops available to the community. The series, entitled TPGed, will be high quality, focused programs aimed at photographers with various levels of skills and experience. Content will range from gear, field technique, composition, photographic genre, and specific technical challenges to post-processing and editing to image presentation. The goal is to keep the programs affordable and

tailored to the specific needs of individual photographers. There will be recommended prerequisites and specific learning outcomes for each program. Look forward to more information in future newsletters and in the local media.

Our member's gallery exhibition is happening March - April at the Teton County Library's gallery. We're excited to display our members images and have the community see our talent. Information about a opening reception will be in next month's newsletter.

Have a great month and get out there to get your image, whether it be an old camera, new camera or something in between.

Sincerely,
Beth