

# IIB Photographers

## Organizational Meeting, June 13, 2018

### Review

A very successful first meeting of IIB Photographers (IIB-P) was held yesterday at the Michigan Nature Association in Okemos with 7 members attending (Jerry Bayer, Jet Johnson, Lynn Keelan, Jolanta Piecuch, Diane Sanderson, Sherry Sevic, and Sue Wittick.)

These are the **organizational decisions** that we made:

1. We will continue to hold meetings in the Michigan Nature Association since it is centrally located, and there is no cost. We have our choice of a conference room and a large meeting room.
2. We will vary the times and days of the week for our meetings, with the hope that every member will be able to attend at least some of them.
3. Each meeting will be comprised of business, education, practice, and sharing components.
4. The educational component of the next three meetings will be designed to help us be ready to enter the classes in our first “show” that will be part of the October 25<sup>th</sup>, IIB District Meeting at the Crystal Palace (Between Howell and Brighton):
  - a. Monday, July 16, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
  - b. Wednesday, August 22, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
  - c. Tuesday, September 11, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
5. Communication will be via e-mail, to the list of group members, by any IIB-P member.
6. We will make field trips available where we can take all the time we need to practice and help each other with our photos. We hope to make our first trip to the garden of member, Marlas Greiger. She is preparing to be a part of the LACASA Garden Tour in Howell on July 14-15, (<https://lacasacenter.org/>), so we were hoping that a day the following week might work for her.
7. The IIB-P group will help with fundraising for the district’s vendor table at the October 22-23 NGC Central Region Convention in Frankenmuth, a wonderful venue for photographers! Our best photos will be printed on note pads, note cards, matted photos, and anything else you can think of. Please share your ideas!
8. Information will be shared regarding opportunities to share our work or compete for recognition, such as NGC photography awards, the NGC Vision of Beauty Calendar, or local community photography contests.

We reviewed the **draft schedule** for the IIB-P photo exhibit on October 25<sup>th</sup> and a revised schedule will be sent to the group which includes the name of the consultant for each class, and how we plan to stage the display.

1. Consultants will find club members to fill classes.
2. Each entry will need an entry tag.
3. Exhibitors to submit printed photographs that are matted in black; no frames allowed.
4. Photos to be delivered to consultants by Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.
5. Consultants will mount the photos on the display panels covered with yellow fabric so that they are ready for exhibit when garden club members arrive for the October 25<sup>th</sup> District Meeting.

### Educational Component: “Ways to Avoid Motion Blur in Cell Phone Photography”

1. Hold your phone so that it is supported on three sides by one hand. The other hand can take the picture.
2. Whenever possible rest your phone on a flat surface of some kind.
3. Leaning your body against something (e.g. a wall or tree) helps to steady your shots.
4. Use a tripod with a cell phone adaptor. See [https://smile.amazon.com/gp/product/B000S9E6AO/ref=oh\\_aui\\_detailpage\\_o08\\_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1](https://smile.amazon.com/gp/product/B000S9E6AO/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o08_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1)
5. Use a monopod (especially good when walking on a trail).

6. Take photos with the volume control button on your phone.
7. Take photos with the control button on your earphones.
8. Use the delay feature. Most can be set for 3 seconds or 10 seconds. This gives you time to hold your phone steady before the picture is taken.
9. Take burst photos, by holding down the button to take multiple shots. Later, you can pick the best one and delete the others. This is especially useful for taking pictures of people in motion.
10. Purchase a remote shutter release. See [https://smile.amazon.com/gp/product/B076PQ7JDH/ref=oh\\_aui\\_detailpage\\_o07\\_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1](https://smile.amazon.com/gp/product/B076PQ7JDH/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o07_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1)
11. Use the action settings on your camera (not available on cell phones.)

#### Action Items:

- Lynn Keelan will reserve the meeting rooms and house the photography display, bringing it to events, as needed.
- Jet Johnson will experiment with ways to attach the matted photos to the yellow fabric covering placed over the panels of our display.
- Every member should bring a camera and camera manual to every meeting.
- Every member may bring their own beverages and snacks, but if anyone has something to share (like an abundance of cookies at home), please feel free to bring them!
- Share only your one best photo for each challenge; or when posting via e-mail to the group.
- That we try to provide instruction on each photo class (see schedule) before the October event and before the March event.
- Sue Wittick will include the group-selected *best photo* of each IIB Photo event in the IIB newsletter.
- Sue Wittick will bring yellow fabric for covering IIB display to next IIB-P meeting.

#### Opportunities:

- Best Buy offers free photography workshops the first Saturday of each month. Must register in advance. See [https://www.bestbuy.com/site/clp/photography-workshop-faqs/pcmcat1492185856561.c?id=pcmcat1492185856561&ref=30&loc=BM02&gclid=EAlaIqObChMI9tCUtJbT2wIVLjACh1iJQEmEAAYAiAAEgImi\\_D\\_BwE&gclid=aw.ds](https://www.bestbuy.com/site/clp/photography-workshop-faqs/pcmcat1492185856561.c?id=pcmcat1492185856561&ref=30&loc=BM02&gclid=EAlaIqObChMI9tCUtJbT2wIVLjACh1iJQEmEAAYAiAAEgImi_D_BwE&gclid=aw.ds)
- Howell Balloon Festival is June 22-24 and offers wonderful photographic opportunities. See <http://www.michiganchallenge.com/>
- Hosta Society Show & Sale, MSU, Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. See <http://www.hostahappenings.com/>

#### Photo Challenge for meeting on July 16th:

Bring a printed 5 x7 photo to the meeting taken utilizing one of the suggestions from the discussion of “How to Avoid Motion Blur in Your Photography.”

#### Topics for next meeting:

- Review and revise the schedule for the March, 2019 exhibit as part of the IIB Flower Show at the MSU Pavilion.
- Review challenge photos. Give constructive feedback on member submissions.
- “Taking flower portraits”
- “Taking close-up photos of small garden critters”

#### The IIB-P Photo Display looks like this:



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- 4 Double-Stacked Panes
- Includes 5 Legs for X-Shape Design
- Silver Powder Coated Lightweight Iron
- 2" x 1" Mesh Grid Pattern

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### Art Show Display Panels with 4 Double-Stacked Gridwalls

These art show display panels are great for a gallery exhibit or craft fair. Each of the walls faces a different direction, providing your products with optimum exposure. The metal display panels are crafted from iron and feature a neutral silver finish that looks great in any environment. Each of the walls assembles together to create a four-sided showcase. In addition to use at a gallery exhibit or craft fair, the structures can also be used as store fixtures in a retail environment.

## Specifications

<b>SKU</b>	AD4PNLX	<b>Finish</b>	Powder-Coated
<b>Overall Width x Height x Depth</b>	74.0" x 75.0" x 74.0"	<b>Placement Style</b>	Floor Standing
<b>Weight</b>	36.0lbs	<b>Features</b>	Double-Sided
<b>Material</b>	Iron	<b>Panel Width x Height</b>	37.3" x 33.3"