

“How to Take Better Photos with Your DSLR”

If you have been yearning to take stunning photos, but have been unsure where to start, this course is for you. The Photo Section Photography Club is offering a series of four classes to help beginner and intermediate photographers develop knowledge and confidence in their photography skills.

The course covers all facets of photography - from exposure and settings to composition and equipment - and will put any photographer on a solid foundation to be more confident in their skills.

Class Dates: October 17, October 24, November 14, November 21 **

Where: Mt. Lebanon Public Library, 16 Castle Shannon Blvd., Meeting Room A

Time: 7:00-8:30 PM

Cost: \$10.00 for the entire course of 4 sessions

Register & Pay: at Mt. Lebanon Public Library Circulation Desk/Cash or Credit Card or to Venmo ID = @pghphoto-jimm

Course Outline:

October 17 - How to hold the camera

- Use of a tripod
- Camera choices and set-up
- Menu items, settings, ISO, etc.
- Shooting modes - Auto, Portrait Aperture, Shutter, Landscape

November 14 - Composition

- Rule of thirds
- Leading lines
- Golden mean and Fibonacci balance
- Get close/Keep it simple

October 24 - Concept of the Stop - unit of brightness

- Exposure triangle - relationship between Aperture, Shutter, ISO
- Equivalent exposures
- Exposure Compensation

November 21 - Choosing lens filters

- Flash options
- Lighting, Fill light, Back light

Instructor: Professional Photographer Aaron Raymond is a member of the Photo Section Photography Club. Aaron graduated from Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, California. He has taught workshops in the San Francisco Bay area and served on the faculty at Light & Life Academy, India's first professional photography institute. Today he focuses primarily on commercial photography and photographic education as an instructor for Lindblad and National Geographic Expeditions. Visit his website: <https://www.raaronraymond.com/index>

The Photo Section is offering these classes to educate and inspire individuals to continue their interest in photography and possibly pursue it as a life-long hobby. The Photo Section of the Academy of Science and Arts of Pittsburgh will celebrate its 135th anniversary next year and is one of the oldest photography clubs in the country! We invite photographers of all skill levels to join our group which meets on Tuesday evenings at the Mt. Lebanon Recreation Center. Visit our website at <http://www.pghphoto.org> for more information.

** Attendance is limited so register & pay in advance to secure your place. Registration begins September 3.