WSP 190

Some thoughts regarding our Field Workshop

We have been closely watching ground conditions in Big Sur due to the Soberanes fire. Areas we photograph including points on Highway 1 and Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park west of Highway 1 have re-opened, so we expect to run the workshop as planned.

Otherwise, we've done the homework! In fact, we've done enough homework to expect that no matter what we've planned, the plan will probably change. There are many variable, including the fire and the weather, that may affect how we ultimately spend our time. With this in mind, we have explored alternative field sites should we need to modify the workshop schedule. But with this “footnote” here's what to expect:

Two Class sessions prior to our week-end field shooting:

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 6:30 - 9:00 PM

First Class meeting On the Stanford campus

- Intro to staff, participants
- Goals for the Workshop
- Short Historical Perspective.
- Overview of Workshop Logistics and Schedule
- Homework Pre-Class Assignment Review
- Introduction of Relevant Photographic Concepts and Techniques

Thursday, September 29, 2016 6:30 - 9:00 PM

Second Class meeting on the Stanford campus:

- Continuation of Relevant Photographic Concepts and Techniques including:
  - High Dynamic Range
  - Photographing motion
  - Creating Panoramas
  - Exploring Exposure Interpretations
  - Long daytime shutter speeds utilizing neutral density filters

- Suggested equipment list and other relevant logistical factors of field photography
Field Workshop

Saturday, October 1, 2016

8:30 a.m.  Meet at Safeway Parking Lot (The Crossroads-Carmel)  
(can distribute map)  
  · Starbucks inside  
  · Sandwiches/salad/deli/drinks/picnic supplies  
  · Divide into carpool “teams”

8:45 a.m.  Head south on Highway 1  
  · En route, short photo stop at Bixby Bridge (15 minutes)  
  · Continue to Pfeiffer State Beach  
  · $5/car parking and day use fee, bathrooms  
  · Continue to Pfeiffer State Beach near sign [narrow road for about 2 miles]

10:30-11:45 a.m.  Field shooting session on the beach

11:45 a.m.-12:15  Continue to Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park  
  · $10 self registration day use/car  
  · Restrooms are available

12:30-1:30 p.m.  Lunch break in central picnic area  
  · Independent exploration of small creek  
  · Watch for poison oak

1:30-3:00  Walk through tunnel to waterfall overview trail. Slowly meander to overlook platform (1/2 mile-very well-manage path)

5:00 p.m.  Meet in parking lot for our return trip. Depart for Safeway lot.

6:00 p.m.  Arrive at Safeway (Monterey)

8:00 p.m.  Optional no host group dinner at a local restaurant.

Sunday, October 2, 2016

(Optional Early Morning shooting opportunity at the Monterey Harbor) (still to be confirmed)

8:30 a.m.  Meet at Safeway Parking Lot  
  · Starbucks inside.  
  · Sandwiches/salad/deli/drinks/picnic supplies
Divide into carpool “teams”

8:45 a.m. Depart for Point Lobos
- $10/car day use fee (group of friends, not school)

9:15 - 10:30 a.m. Weston Beach

10:45 a.m.-Noon Bird Rock Trail 1.25 hrs

Noon-1:00 p.m. Lunch at Bird Rock
- Tables
- Bathrooms

1:15-2:45 p.m. Cypress Point
- Counter-clockwise 1.5 hrs.

3:00-4:00 Whaler’s Cove
- Parking can be tricky
- Bit of a walk
- Whale bones
- About one hour

4:00-4:30 p.m. Adjourn to Safeway, then drive to the Center for Photographic Art in the Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos Street at 9th Avenue Carmel, CA, 93921

5:00-6:00 p.m. Field Workshop wrap up

Thursday, October 4, 2016 6:30-9:00 PM
Class On the Stanford campus

Reunion and Photo Critique
- Please select images that represent your best success and your greatest failure.
- Discuss insights gained and questions raised
- Discuss challenges and opportunities
- Final course wrap up