

Project for 2023 – “The Four Seasons”

You are required to photograph the same scene, place or living object during Spring, Summer, Autumn & Winter. Your four images will then be judged as a panel in 2024.

	Photo topic	
9-21 Jan		Exhibition in Library
12 Jan		Field trip to Digbeth for street art
21 Jan		Deadline to submit images for “The Bugle” delivery 18 Feb to 5 Mar
26 Jan	Car Parks	Demonstrations to run consecutively: Mount Cutting — Richard Daymond & Nigel Briggs Photographing Moving Objects - John Hayes Back to Basics — John Bolt (Photoshop) & Peter Calver (GIMP) Cropping, Levelling horizon, Adding border to image & Resizing images for projection View images from field trip to Digbeth Peer assess photo topic images — Car Parks
9 Feb		Field trip to Castle Bromwich Gardens for snowdrops
23 Feb	Water (competition)	Anne Sutcliffe to judge View images from field trip to Castle Bromwich Gardens
9 Mar		Field trip to Baddesley Clinton for daffodils (cancelled)
23 Mar	Inside a Church <i>1 print & 1 PDI</i>	Peer assess photo topic images — Inside a Church (or other religious building) Practical “hands on” mount cutting
15 Apr		Deadline to submit images for “The Bugle” delivery 13 to 28 May
Sun 16 Apr		Field trip to Avoncroft Museum for International Living History Festival

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27 Apr	Curves	Presentation by Peter Preece on Nature Photography "Every Picture Tells A Story" View images from field trip to Avoncroft Museum Peer assess photo topic images — Curves
11 May		Field trip to Middleton Hall & Lakes for wildlife etc. cancelled — instead see assignment below
May	assignment	To capture images representing "Outdoors In May 2023"
25 May	Open (competition) prints only	Bob Bracher to judge View images from May's assignment "Outside In May 2023"
Fri 2 Jun		Field trip to Midlands Air Festival at Ragley Hall on 2-4 June
22 Jun	Old	"Memories of Romania" — presentation by Derek Robbins Select prints for Library exhibition in July Peer assess photo topic images — Old View images from field trip to Midlands Air Festival and Out & About trip to Kew Gardens
3-15 Jul		Exhibition in Library
13 Jul		Field trip to Solihull town centre
15 Jul		Deadline to submit images for "The Bugle" delivery 12 to 27 Aug
27 Jul	Monochrome (postponed to a later date)	Charles Ashton presentation on "Street Photography" View images from field trip to Solihull town centre
10 Aug		Field trip to Hanbury Hall
24 Aug	Nature: Living creature/s (competition)	Meeting in St Peter's Hall Bob Bracher to judge as Peter Preece not available View images from field trip to Hanbury Hall
Sept		no Field trip in September — Awayday on 28 Sept
28 Sep	Awayday	There will be no meeting in the hall Visit to Gloucester (Docks, Cathedral, etc)
12 Oct		Field trip to Batsford Arboretum for autumnal colours (this month's photo topic).
14 Oct		Deadline to submit images for "The Bugle" delivery 11 to 26 Nov

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26 Oct	Autumnal Colours	Peer assess images on Autumnal Colours (2 prints, 2 PDIs or 1 of each) View PDIs from Awayday to Gloucester — up to 4 PDIs can be submitted View PDIs taken at Batsford Arboretum — up to 4 PDIs can be submitted. You may also use one or two of these for Autumnal Colours.
9 Nov		Field trip to Frankfurt Market & canal walk for street photography and canal views (afternoon/evening)
23 Nov	Street Photography (competition) "Capturing the human essence in public places"	Charles Ashton to judge View images from field trip to Frankfurt Market & canal walk (PowerPoint presentation)
7 Dec		Field trip to Baddesley Clinton for indoor Christmas decorations (start in hall at 11:00am)
14 Dec	Abstract	Select prints for January exhibition in Library Peer assess photo topic images — Abstract (prints & PDIs) View images from field trip to Baddesley Clinton (PowerPoint presentation) Retrospective of winning images from 2023 Retrospective of winning images from u3a Eye 2023 Festive celebrations

NB The above is subject to change, but any changes made will be communicated to members.

Field trip dates are normally 2nd Thursday but may alter to accommodate events.