



ETCC Monthly Photo Themes for In-House Critique

2025

| Month | Monthly Theme | Type and Timeframe of Image Entry | Submission Window | Helpful Links |
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| Jan | Holiday | Monthly Challenge* (Image must be taken 11/14/24 – 1/7/25) | 12/31 – 1/7 | How to Photograph Christmas Lights: 8 Comprehensive Tips Light Stalking |
| Feb | Monochrome | Open Archive* (Any timeframe) | 2/4 -2/11 | 6 Black and White Photography Tips for Monochrome Enthusiasts PetaPixel |
| March | Blue Hour | Quarterly Quest* (Image must be taken 12/11/24 – 3/11/25) | 3/4 – 3/11 | What is Blue Hour and What Makes it So Special for Photography? |
| April | Zoo | Open Archive (Any timeframe) | 4/1 – 4/8 | 18 Tips for Stunning Zoo Photography (+ Examples) |
| May | Birds | Monthly Challenge (Image must be taken 4/10 – 5/6) | 4/29-5/6 | 21 Tips for Bird Photography |
| June | Minimal | Quarterly Quest (Image must be taken 3/11-6/10) | 6/3-6/10 | 10 Minimalist Photography Tips (With Stunning Examples) |
| July | Print Competition | Printed Image Open Archive (Any timeframe) | 6/13-7/4 (Digital Versions)* 7/10 (Printed Image)* | 8 Crucial Steps to Prepare Images for Printing - CaptureLandscapes |
| Aug | Backlit | Monthly Challenge (Image must be taken 7/10-8/12) | 8/5-8/12 | Backlighting in Photography: The Ultimate Guide |
| Sep | Solemn | Quarterly Quest (Image must be taken 6/10- 9/9) | 9/2-9/9 | Emotions in Photography: How |

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| | | | | to Evoke Emotion In Your Photos |
| Oct | City Scene | Open Archive (Any timeframe) | 9/30-10/7 | Cityscape Photography: A Guide to Breathtaking Images (+ Examples) |
| Nov | Golden Hour | Monthly Challenge (Image must be taken 10/9 – 11/11) | 11/4-11/11 | Golden Hour Photography: A Complete Guide (+19 Tips and Ideas) |
| Dec | No Submission | No Meeting in Dec | No Submission | |

Note:

*Monthly Challenge Photos MUST have been taken since the last month's meeting!

*Open Archive Photos may have been taken at any time.

*Quarterly Quest photos MUST have been taken within the THREE MONTHS PRIOR to the meeting.

Photo must be in jpg format.

Photo in sRGB color space

Resolution must be 300ppi

NOTE: NEW IMAGE SIZE REQUIREMENTS!

If in "Landscape" / Horizontal format: 1920 pixels wide

If in "Portrait" / Vertical or Square format: 1080 pixels in height

All monthly Images must be submitted to Danny Pickens at docdpp@yahoo.com

All submitted photos (except for July's) will be entered in our photo of the month contest. The 10 photos of the month will be entered in our Theme Photo of the Year contest. The photos will be posted on our website – easttexascameraclub.com for voting.

*Digital Versions of Print Competition Images Must be submitted when registering for the Print Competition. Print Competition digital photos must be submitted to Amy Dumas at aldumas@gmail.com

*Printed images must be submitted on 7/10 at the Masonic Lodge.

Please Contact Amy Dumas, ETCC Competitions Manager, with any questions.

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