

The Ground Glass, Inc.



is a group of
photographers that meet in
Westchester County, NY.
<http://thegroundglass.org/>
**Ground Glass info & member
names in red.**

Dec., 2014; Jan., 2015



A video review of the Canon 7D Mk II:
http://www.photographybay.com/2014/12/04/canon-7d-mark-ii-review-from-digitalrev/?aw_t_l=PNTE.&awt_m=K50TWJxN5f62xu



K. R. Whitley: Wind bent tree, Isle of Skye

Interesting landscape photos. A number seem over-processed, but worth a look.

<https://500px.com/krwhitley>



Maggie Taylor: Cloud Sisters



Jerry Uelsmann: Untitled, 1982

Modern Alchemy: Experiments in Photography should be a fine show. It runs from December 6th through March 15th at the Hecksher Museum of Art. The museum's address is 2 Prime Ave., Huntington. The drive from

central Westchester County is about 1 hour, 10 minutes.

“Group f.64” is the title of a new book about that bunch of 20th Century photographers. Here’s a link to the NY Times’ review: <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/books/review/group-f64-about-ansel-adams-and-others-by-mary-street-alinder.html>. BTW, the review is not positive.

Another review is about two books on American ‘roots’ music and its great popularizer. <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/books/review/wayfaring-strangers-and-ralph-peer-and-the-making-of-popular-roots-music.html>



One of the roots musicians is Jimmie Rodgers (above). Hear him do “Mule Skinner Blues” www.youtube.com/watch?v=cjO_OK03UNY

Another review is titled “Wagstaff: Before and After Mapplethorpe”. <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/books/review/wagstaff-before-and-after-mapplethorpe-by-philip-gefter.html>.

And another review; of “Vivian Maier: A Photographer Found”:
<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/books/review/vivian-maier-a-photographer-found-and-more.html>.



The reflection of Maier in the pane of glass suggests a Rollei.

Another good’un gone: Arthur Leipzig; perhaps the last living member of The Photo League. To see a slide show, go to <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/06/nyregion/arthur-leipzig-a-photographer-inspired-by-everyday-life-in-new-york-dies-at-96.html>



Arthur Leipzig: Chalk Games, Prospect Place, Brooklyn, 1950

A photo-essay from NY Times.com:



Chris Baker: A squall crossing the Hudson at the Upper West Side.

http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/nyregion/photographs-tug-life.html?emc=edit_tnt_20141205&nid=30696413&tntemail0=y#.

Very amusing; the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta in time-lapse:



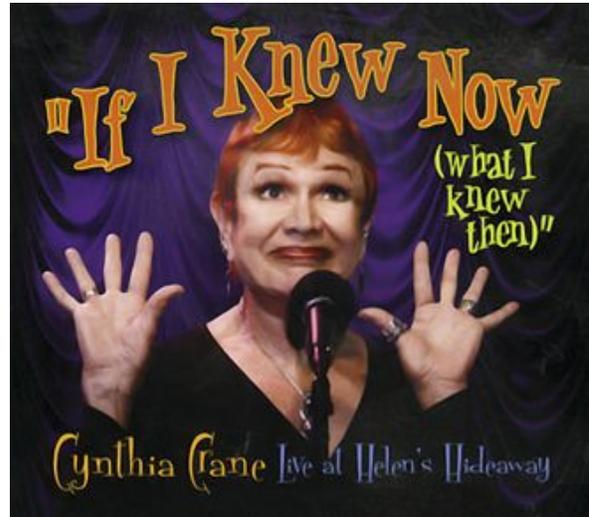
www.picturecorrect.com/tips/colorful-timelapse-documents-the-albuquerque-balloon-fiesta/

“Its most newsworthy advance is the black densities produced by the new UltraChrome HD inks. Sample prints show unprecedentedly deep blacks, with unusually smooth tonal gradations across a very long gray scale.

Colors are great, too.” So reads the final paragraph in an article in *Popular Photography* about the new **Epson SureColor P600** 13' X 19' inkjet printer.

BTW, it holds both the matte black and photo black cartridges so physical switching is not necessary.

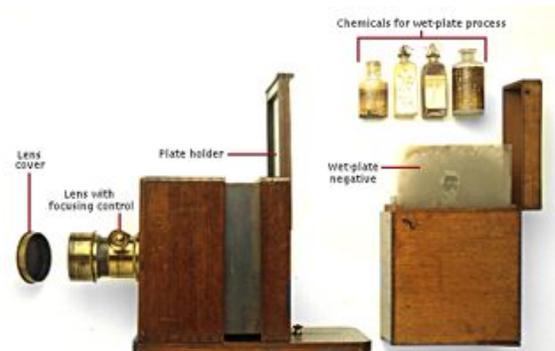
<https://fstoppers.com/gear/epson-announces-surecolor-p600-now-blackest-blacks-42131>

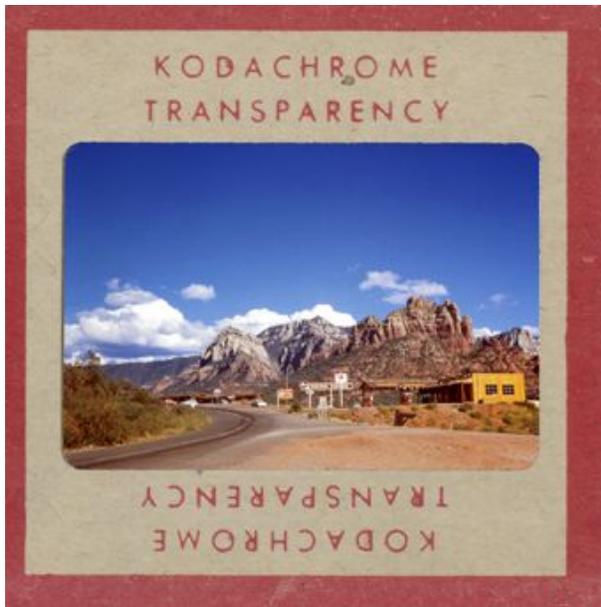


The Y.F.E.s just received an Xmas email from their old friends Cynthia and Ted Story. Cynthia's a cabaret chanteuse and included a link to a very good number:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOy_oY7AUiM

NewsLetter readers who are interested in alternative processes will want to read this: <http://ti-hex.com/2014%20NL%20folder/December2014NL%20folder/December2014NL.pdf>





A 43-slide show of Kodachrome images issued by Eastman Kodak:
http://www.kodak.com/eknec/PageQuerier.jhtml?pq-path=15398&pq-locale=en_US&requestid=6995

A time lapse video that deserves to be viewed full-screen:



<http://www.independent.co.uk/arts-entertainment/photography/video-tower-bridge-captured-in-stunning-timelapse-video-9912117.html>

The photo shown atop the next column just sold for \$6,500,000.

Some great portraits are shown during this



Peter Lik: Phantom

video:

<http://www.phaidon.com/agenda/photography/articles/2014/december/08/steve-mccurry-its-the-journey-not-the-destination/>

A large collection of Weegee's output can be



Weegee (Arthur Felig): Children on Fire Escape, 1938

found here:

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/12/09/weegee-photos_n_6278364.html?utm_hp_ref=arts.

At Pace/MacGill Gallery; "Eugène Atget: A Quiet Calling", through January 3rd.

<http://www.pacemacgill.com>.

Over the years, Y.F.E. has marveled at the dance photos in the NY Times by Andrea

Mohin. He finally got to do an internet search with her name, and came up with numerous hits. Here's one hit of a really fine slide show:



http://lens.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/12/28/breathing-in-the-music-photographing-dance/?_r=0.

Also, read this by Andrea Mohin, titled "Shoptalk: Capturing Dance":



<http://lens.blogs.nytimes.com/2009/06/01/shoptalk-capturing-dance/>.

Portraits from Ellis Island's abandoned hospital:

<http://hyperallergic.com/167608/portraits-from-ellis-islands-abandoned-immigrant-hospital/>. Apparently, tours can now be booked. Seems like a likely location for a **photo-spaziere**.

Give yourself a visual treat and click on <http://www.fredstein.com/portfolios/>.



Autopsy Theater, Ellis Island Hospital

Also, read about Fred Stein in Wikipedia:



Fred Stein: Girda Taro and Robert Capa

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fred_Stein.

Regarding the \$6.5 million dollar photo, read this article:

<http://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/jonathanjonesblog/2014/dec/10/most-expensive-photograph-ever-hackneyed-tasteless>.

Find the photographer's website and look at other photos by him and then consider what the article has to say.

In Hudson, NY at the Warren St. Gallery, from 2 Jan. - 25 Jan., H. David Stein will be showing "Fridgid Fractals". Reception: Jan. 3 from 3pm - 6pm.

The January 7th meeting will be a matting/framing talk & demo at Framings, 420 Main Street, Armonk. (914) 273-4242. Since the theme of our next show is

Westchester Main Streets, bring a camera to the meeting. A shot might pop up. Parking: Sometimes difficult on-street. Framings is on a corner of Main. Go half a block west of the corner on Whippoorwill Rd. E. to find a municipal lot.



Several of the works displayed at the December Show-and-Tell were pinhole photographs. One can buy a pinhole camera body cap for a DSLR and experiment. Just put “pinhole cap” in Amazon’s search bar and find them for Canon and Nikon DSLRs for \$16.



A pinhole pro: Infinite depth of field.
A pinhole con: Somewhat soft images.



by Builder Levy

Builder Levy, recipient of our NewsLetter just sent us a link to a short video about him:

<http://vimeo.com/111018188>.

Contradicting the notion that a photograph cannot be art, as espoused in the Guardian article on the pervious page, is this one: <http://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2014/dec/11/photography-is-art-sean-ohagan-jonathan-jones>. It, of course, makes sense. Conclusion: Lik is slick.

Shots from a 20+ year road trip:

<http://www.picturecorrect.com/tips/incredible-pot-os-from-a-20-year-road-trip-around-the-world/>.



Carrie Mae Weems: Mirror Mirrored

From ICP, an invitation:

<http://us5.campaign-archive1.com/?u=82f4e30cbc6181f8e3b5f6537&id=3ed0e91602&e=d9f442b78>.

“The Greenburgh Public Library Foundation announces the 6th annual Westchester County Amateur Photo Contest.”

Gotten as a Facebook notification; a fun video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DVzKX6R16ks>



Bob: Palisades diabase block

LG has been trying, against many protests to build a 143' office atop the Palisades. See the Vimeo against the corporation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DVzKX6R16ks>.

To the right: a couple of the fine images shown by **Pat** at the Show-and-Tell.

A short article about the book “Group f.64” worth reading: http://lens.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/12/11/an-in-depth-history-of-group-f-64/?_r=0 (BTW; shouldn't it have been titled “Group f/64”? It's focal length over diameter of entrance pupil.)



Pat: Curbside Chrysler



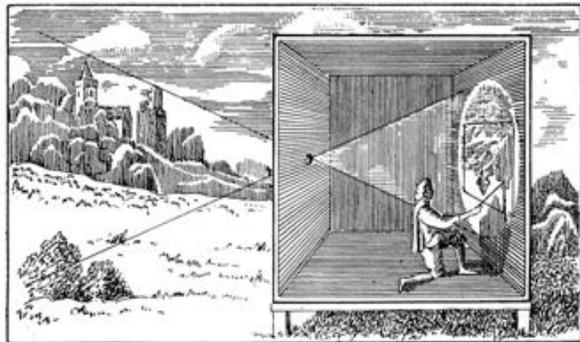
Pat: Reflected Chrysler

Another good'un gone:
<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/12/business/media/michel-du-cille-washington-post-announces-death-of-a-top-photographer.html>.
He died of a heart attack in Liberia while covering the ebola crisis.



by Sebran d'Argent

<http://www.loeildelaphotographie.com/2014/12/12/trends/26848/sebran-d-argent> takes one to the work of a photographer whose materials and methods produce very romantic images.

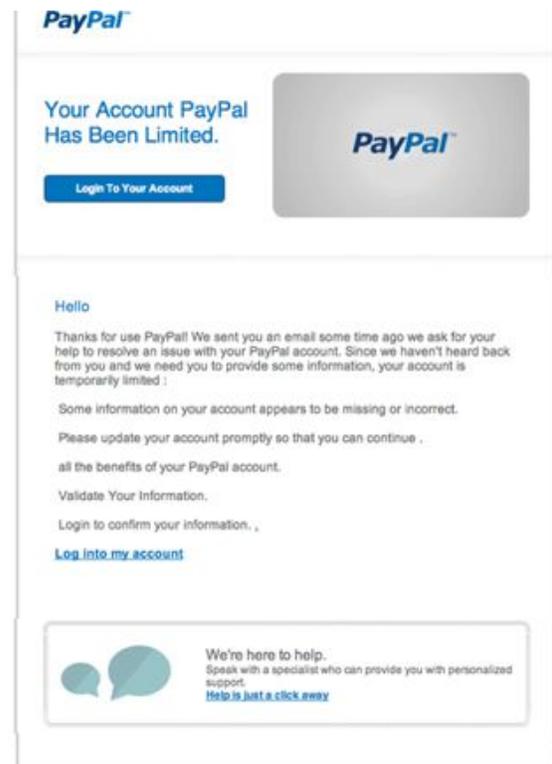


Now! On YouTube, the Photographic Processes Series of **12 chapters!**
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL4F918844C147182A>. All by George Eastman House! Thanks, George!

A new phishing attack has been attempted



upon the Y.F.E.s. “Your PayPal Account Access Limited”. From hoaz-slayer.com: “When sending e mails, PayPal will always address you by name, never ‘Dear Customer’, ‘Valued PayPal Member’ or other generic greetings. Be very caution of any message purporting to be from PayPal that claims you must click a link or open an attachment to update account details or fix an account issue.” (The Y.F.E.’s phishing message began with a simple





“Hello”.) Below is a screen shot of the phishing bait the Y.F.E.s received.

Pat has 5 pieces accepted into the Carriage Barn Arts Center show. **Alan Model** has 2, **Ruth** has 3, and **Hal** has 3.

The Carriage Barn Arts Center is in Waverly Park, 681 South Ave., New Canaan.

South Ave. is also route CT 124, and the entrance to the park is about 1/4 mile north of exit 37 on the Merritt.

The show runs from January 10th through



February 8th. The reception is on January 10th from 6 to 8 pm.

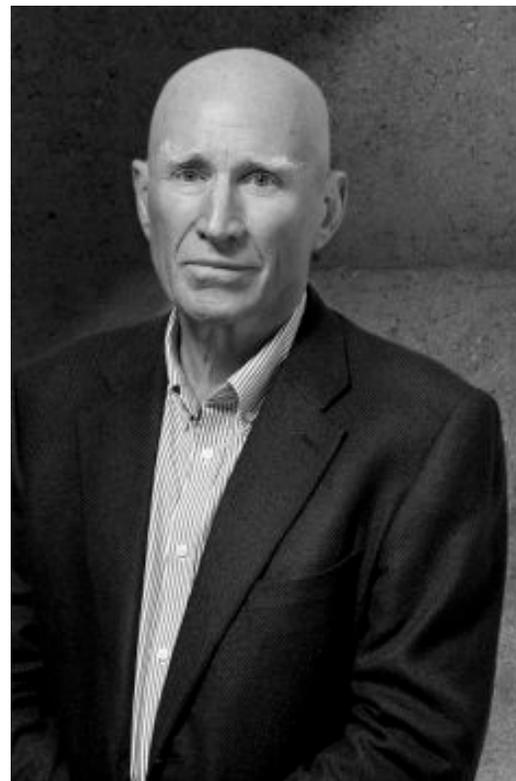
<http://www.moma.org/visit/calendar/exhibitions/1496> takes one to a description of the new MoMA show “Modern Photographs from the Thomas Walther Collection, 1909-1949”.

A video link sent to Y.F.E. by his daughter Susan Evgenia:

http://video.louisiana.dk/services/player/bcpid1613602980001?bckey=AQ~~,AAABdx1v7zk~,ccubcZ_z6Yc6malB93Kbnre9EugWwVqX&bclid=0&bctid=2728361530001

WSJ tells us about current photo shows in NYC:

<http://www.wsj.com/articles/photography-review-exhibitions-of-nicholas-nixon-eugene-atget-and-bryan-schutmaat-1418428171?KEYWORDS=photos>



An interview with Sebastião Salgado:

<http://www.scmp.com/magazines/48hrs/article>



[e/1661483/photographer-sebastiao-salgado-power-realism-his-hong-kong-show.](http://www.ephotozine.com/article/pentax-k-s-1-digital-slr-review-26659)

The Pentax K-S1 gets a “Highly Recommended” from ephotozine.com:

<http://www.ephotozine.com/article/pentax-k-s-1-digital-slr-review-26659>

Body-only price at Amazon.com is \$466.

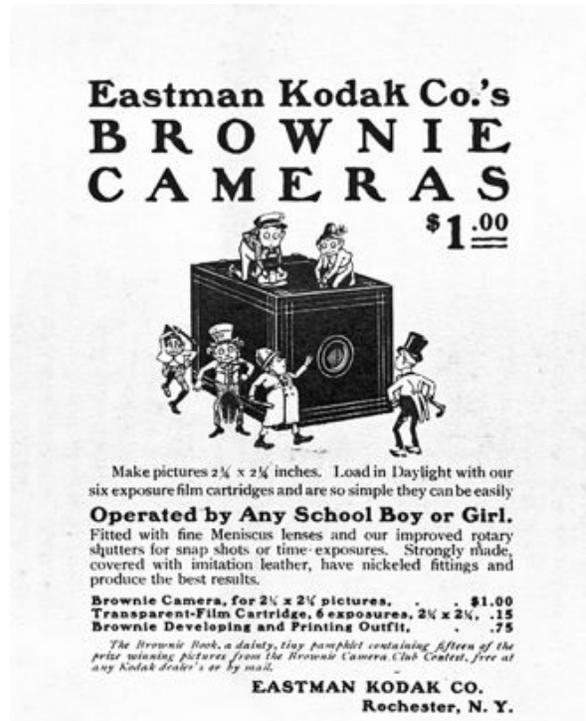
Now for a Canon EOS 7d Mk II review:



[http://www.dpreview.com/reviews/canon-eos-7d-mark-ii?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=generic.](http://www.dpreview.com/reviews/canon-eos-7d-mark-ii?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=generic)

It gets the dpreview Silver Award.

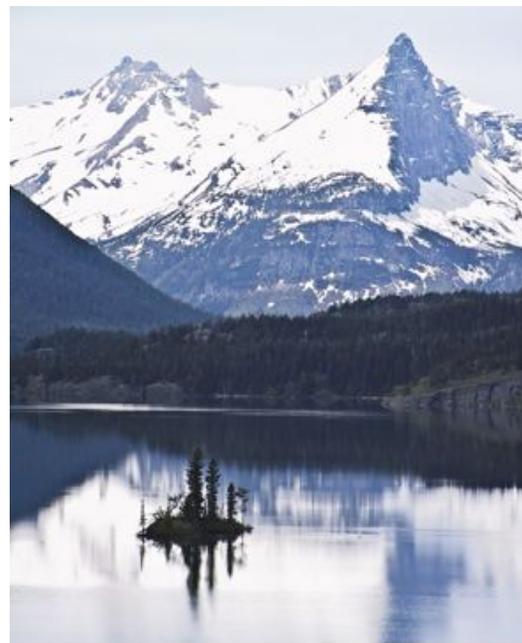
A summary: “Good for Sports/action shooters, photographers who need extended telephoto reach, and Canon 5D Mk III owners looking for fast auto focus and shooting per-



formance.

Not so good for Landscape photographers seeking wide dynamic range.”

<https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/art-1010/beginners-guide-20-21/a/an-introduction-to-photography-in-the-early-20th-century> takes one to a short but interesting article.



Bob: Wild Goose Island, Glacier National Park

Lodges at Glacier N. P. are now taking reservations:

<http://send.boingomail.com/t/ViewEmail/r/FB/B0FE2ADC9C19472540EF23F30FEDED/FE5813B389C10C0563B21DE8DA818551>

Shared by Steve Worthy; a great YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1swFAPoEDyM>

If you have a bit of time and wish to be amused, click on http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2014/12/17/man-breaks-into-north-vancouver-home-sleep_n_6343448.html?utm_hp_ref=mostpopular&ir=Canada+British+Columbia and see pictures



of, and learn about 175 dumb criminals. For example, the above pair, Patricia Deshong and Quentin Deshong were arrested Jan. 7 in Metal Township, Pennsylvania, after attempting to blow up a vehicle using flaming tampons.



Tomas van Houtrye: Wiggins Park Marina, Camden, New Jersey

<http://www.cnet.com/products/aries-blackbird-x10-quadcopter/> is about a reasonably priced tool for aerial photography.

An article about drone photography, with examples:

<http://time.com/3627980/drone-country-see-america-from-above/?xid=newsletter-photos-weekly>

Y.F.E. believes that some members of Ground Glass also belong to the Katonah Museum Artists Association. The KMAA is to have a show at the Pound Ridge Library that will run from from April 11th through May 14th. the show title is “Close to the Edge”.

“Witness Cuba’s Evolution in 39 Photos”.



“At night, neighbors leave their doors open to let the breeze in.”

<http://time.com/3637610/cuba-photos-joakim->

eskildsen/?xid=newsletter-photos-weekly.
Photos by Joakim Eskildsen.

Frieze New York 2015 will be held on Randall's Island from May 14th to 17th.
<http://friezenewyork.com/press/frieze-new-york-2015-details-announced/> is the press release.



Photos from Frieze New York 2014:
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/friezenewyork/press/>.



by Michael Massaia



Robert Hite: Migration House, 2007

“Afterlife - New Jersey” by Michael Massaia:
<http://michaelmassaia.com/GalleryMain.asp?GalleryID=119345&AKey=ap79ckq9>.



Bob: Warren Street, Hudson, NY

Through January 25th, at Carrie Haddad Gallery, 622 Warren Street, Hudson, NY; “Photographs 2015”.

Reminder: Also on Warren Street through January 25th, **H. David Stein** has work. Gallery address & name is 510 Warren St. Gallery.



one of David's Frigid Fractals photos

Merry
Chranukkah!