

cipher why you see things the way you do and how one form influences the way you see another. Drawing experience is invaluable to anyone exploring painting. The beginners in the class will use graphite, charcoal, conte crayon, and erasers to create images on 18" X 24" drawing paper. Yes, you will learn how an eraser can become a drawing tool, not a crutch. The subject matter will vary we well as the techniques you use to put the media on paper. For those who have ore drawing experience, the instructor will introduce you to other drawing media. Supplies list available from ERAA office: 763-441-4725

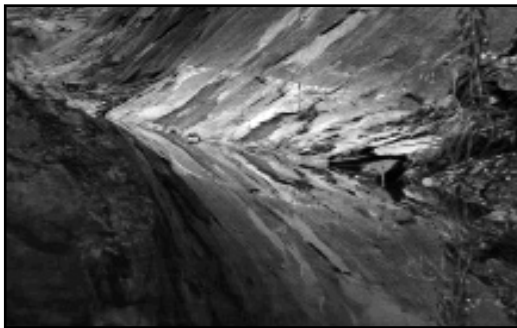
Wednesday, March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28,  
and May 5, 7 to 9 PM  
Register by March 24  
Class Fee: \$100 (\$90 members)  
Instructor: Jean Loy Swanson

**Photography Series**

**930—Understanding the Camera**

*Suitable for adults and teens*

Cameras have advanced greatly since the days of simply "pointing and shooting." Even the smallest camera has a lot more capability than most photographers are aware of. In this class, we will discuss how a camera works, the difference between SLR, compact, film, and digital cameras.



*Canyon Reflection by Dee Kotaska*

We will take time negotiating the menus and options of digital cameras. We will discuss which features are important to know about and which can be shelved at this time. Since each camera has a different program. It is ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL THAT EACH PERSON BRING THEIR CAMERA AND MANUAL TO THE CLASS.

Open to all levels; both digital and film cameras.

Tuesday, March 23, 7 to 9:30 PM  
Register by March 17  
Class Fee: \$22 (\$20 members)  
Instructor: Dee Kotaska

**931—Developing the Photographer’s “Eye”**

In this class we will discuss what makes a pleasing photograph rather than just a snapshot. We will go over techniques you can do that invite your viewer to really look at your photographs rather than saying, "Oh, that's nice." We will discuss composition—just what goes into creating a pleasing image. Photography literally means to "write with light," so we will discuss how to work with natural light and on camera flash. Films and processing will also be covered if film users are in the class. Appropriate for all levels, digital and film cameras, compact and SLR.

Tuesday, March 30 from 7 to 9 PM  
Register by March 24  
Class Fee: \$18 (\$16 members)  
Instructor: Dee Kotaska

**932—Understanding Digital SLR and Manual Exposure**

*Suitable for adults and teens*

Today's cameras have automatic exposure settings that will give the correct exposure in most situations. However, there are situations when one wants to override the automatic settings and control the shutter speed and aperture or create special effects. We will review the features that distinguish SLR from compact cameras and how to set and use those features. We will also discuss other factors like ISO that affect getting a more correctly exposed image. Appropriate for SLR camera owners or compact cameras that have the capability of manual exposure settings. BRING YOUR CAMERA AND MANUAL.

Tuesday, April 6 from 7 to 9:30 PM  
Register by April 1  
Class Fee: \$22 (\$20 members)  
Instructor: Dee Kotaska

**933—Creating an Artistic Photographic Image**

*Suitable for adults and teens*

In this workshop we will discuss various techniques that create artistic images rather than a documentary photograph. This workshop is designed for those who wish to learn "in-camera" techniques versus those done in Photoshop. We will discuss techniques like zooming, multiple images, panning and night photography. Appropriate for all levels and all camera types. YOU MUST BRING YOUR CAMERA MANUAL.

Tuesday, April 13 from 7 to 9 PM  
Register by April 7  
Class Fee: \$18 (\$16 members)  
Instructor: Dee Kotaska

**Strings for Youth** (violin, viola, & cello) is an Arts Alliance program offered in collaboration with District 728 Community Education. Registration will be open for 7 & older in December for classes starting in January 2010. Contact Community Education at 241-3520. This program is supported in part by funding from Great River Energy.

Unless noted, all classes are held at the Arts Alliance Gallery, 716 Main Street, Elk River, MN 55330. To register, please mail the form below along with payment to: Arts Alliance, P.O. Box 737, Elk River, MN 55330. For more information, call 763-441-4725 during business hours: Thursday-Saturday 12-5 PM.

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Member \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no I wish to become a member \_\_\_\_\_ Total Payment Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enjoy the benefits of membership. \$15 student, \$25 individual, \$35 family  
Just add the membership fee to the class fees.

Register  
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Great Classes!