

# Digital SLR Photography

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**Class:** Mondays, 2 PM (check course list for room number)

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## **Course Description**

Owners of digital single lens reflex (D-SLR) cameras will explore advanced aspects of photography. You will develop your photographer's eye by learning to see photographically. You will learn how to maximize your your creativity while understanding the technicalities of your camera gear. We will cover the visual, intellectual, and intuitive elements which go into making a photograph while examining the modern technology that is our digital SLR. Student participation in the form of photo assignments and class critiques is encouraged.

IMPORTANT: This course is aimed at the INTERMEDIATE photography students and students new to digital SLR photography. If you intend using a point-and-shoot camera, this course is not for you! However, if you want to explore the possibilities of D-SLR photography, or are considering the move to D-SLR photography, then by all means, sign up!

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## **Class Resources**

BOOK: While not strictly required, this book is highly recommended: *"Mastering Your Digital SLR: How to Get the Most Out Of Your Digital Camera"* by Chris Weston (Paperback - Revised Edition, July 2009) \$16 at Amazon.com

## **Class Syllabus (Tentative and Subject to Change)**

### **PART 1: Introduction**

Digital SLR Photography - Past, Present and Future

### **PART 2: Digital SLR Technology**

Understanding the Camera's Hardware and Mastering the Camera Controls, Quirks and Strengths, and More!

### **PART 3: Image Capture**

Setting Up, File Types, RAW Capture, White Balance, ISO, Shooting Modes, Exposure Modes, Histogram, and More!

### **PART 4: Digital Photography In Practice**

Handling, Using the Viewfinder, Composition, Focus, Shooting Workflow, Working With Lenses, Managing Battery Life, and More!

### ***PART 5: Advanced Shooting Technique***

Color Space, Working with Flash, Image Stabilization and Camera Support, HDR Photography, Night Photography, and More!

### ***PART 6: Image Processing (If Time Permits)***

Workflow, Computer Hardware and Monitors, Color Management, Image Editing Overview, Storage and Backups, and More!

## ***INSTRUCTOR BIO***

Sandro Cuccia is a native-born Italian and an award-winning commercial and fine-art photographer and technologist. He has 21 years of corporate Information Technology experience at DuPont, where he functioned as a network specialist, Apple Support Coordinator and Senior Technical Specialist in Personal Computer Security. Sandro also specialized in corporate training for Macintosh, Windows and Internet users. Until 2001, he managed corporate websites for DuPont Pharmaceuticals. Sandro has over 30 years of experience in photography, and after leaving DuPont, he started a commercial digital photography and Macintosh consulting business. He provides training and consulting to amateur and professional photographers in the areas of traditional and digital photography, Adobe Photoshop, and Macintosh computing. Sandro is currently teaching Photography, Photoshop and Macintosh courses at the University of Delaware *Academy of Lifelong Learning* in Wilmington, Delaware. Sandro has also led photography classes and workshops for the *Delaware Photographic Society*, *Chester County (PA) Camera Club*, and *Longwood Gardens* in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. In 2009, Sandro organized and led the *Annual Wilmington Photo Walk*, part of *Scott Kelby's Worldwide Photo Walk*. In November 2009, Sandro launched a new podcast - the *MyPhotoTech Podcast*. The podcast covers the many aspects of how photography and technology work together. Sandro is certified by Adobe as an *Adobe Certified Expert (ACE)* in Photoshop, and holds technical certifications from Apple Computer. Sandro and his wife, Assunta, live in Garnet Valley (Boothwyn), Pennsylvania.

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