

Outer Banks Mid-Year Outing



Another First for CNPA!

CNPA-IN-THE-FIELD WEEKEND **OUTER BANKS, North Carolina** **October 11-14, 2007** **Ramada Plaza, Nags Head**

Events are designed for members to spend most of the weekend shooting a variety of subjects. Guides will be available at the hotel at specified times to lead you to a variety of sites or exploration on your own. Cost: \$70 plus hotel.

Thursday Evening: Opening Reception and Orientation.

Friday and Saturday: All day shoots with guides or your choice of locations. Specific itineraries exploring southern and northern Outer Banks and Manteo. Guides will lead the way but no official instruction. Numerous locations with detailed information will be in your meeting packet.

Sunday Morning: Digitally-projected Contest from the weekend with prizes.

Limited to 100 first-come participants.

Registration posted on www.cnpa.org in June and in the June newsletter.
No registration before that time.

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SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 11

4pm-7pm	Registration	Hotel Lobby
7pm-9pm	Reception and Orientation	Ballroom

Friday, October 12

Field Trips

Saturday, October 13

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4pm-10pm Workstation available in Hospitality Room to upload your contest entry

Sunday, October 14

7am-8am	Workstation available in Hospitality Room to upload your contest entry	
9am-11am	Contest and critique	Ballroom
11am	Departure	

Please note: Albemarle rooms 1 & 2 are available for us all weekend. This space is just off the lobby and will be our meeting area for all field trips. Coffee pots, microwave, refrigerator, and toasters will be available and you can store supplies there (coffee, drinks, and food items).

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FIELD TRIPS

Friday and Saturday

Attendees will indicate their preferences on the online registration form. Everyone will be able to do two planned trips, but can go on their own also.

Each Trip will have a guide to lead the way. Leaders are not providing photographic instruction, just guidance and direction. The guides will be given information on restaurants, rest rooms and other useful information.

Trip #1 – 5:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m

Northern Outer Banks (Friday and Saturday)

45 maximum each day - 3 groups of 15 with guide

Currituck Heritage Park is home to the Whalehead Club, Currituck Beach Lighthouse and the Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education. The park is located on Currituck Sound, but is within walking distance of the beach and ocean. Both sunrise and sunset opportunities can be found in this area. One mile north of Heritage Park is the Currituck Banks National Estuarine Research Reserve, which offers a boardwalk trail through maritime forest and into the marsh. Just beyond the Reserve is the Four-wheel drive area, noted for its broad beach, oceanscapes, dunescapes and maritime forest, which continues for about 15 miles to the Virginia border. Wild horses wander about this stretch of barrier beach.

Trip #2 – 4:30 a.m. – 12:00 (extended to 5:00 p.m. with Ocracoke option)

Hatteras Sunrise/Ocracoke (Friday and Saturday)

15 maximum each day - 1 group of 15 with guide

Photograph Hatteras Light at sunrise and capture the surrounding dunes, forest and beach in the morning light. Participants choosing not to go to Ocracoke may wander their way back to Nags Head and photograph along the way. Visiting Ocracoke Island and the smallest of the Outer Banks Lighthouses can also extend this trip. A 40-minute free car-ferry ride is required to reach Ocracoke Island.

Trip #3 5:30 a.m.-12:00p.m.

Bodie Island Light – Hatteras (Friday and Saturday)

45 maximum each day - 3 groups of 15 with guide

This area offers a multitude of photographic locations, including two different lighthouses – Bodie Island and Hatteras. This stretch of the Outer Banks also includes Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Pea Island Wildlife Refuge, Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station, Buxton Woods, Oregon Inlet, Ocracoke Island and numerous small coastal villages and harbors.

Trip #4 – no leaders – on your own - all locations easy to find

Jockey's Ridge (dunescapes)

Elizabethan Gardens (flowers, plants, birds, butterflies, insects)

Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge (birds)

Cape Hatteras National Seashore

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RECEPTION

We will be serving heavy Hors D' Oeuvres and will have a cash bar. There is a \$20 charge for those that would like to attend the reception but not attend the photo outings. **You must be a member of CNPA to attend the photo outings; however non-member spouses may attend the reception.**

RAIN OPTIONS

Option #1

Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education

If torrential rain interrupts our outdoor plans, we will proceed to the Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education in Corolla. There is a beautiful auditorium and exhibit hall.

Steve Alterman, one of our judges, will offer a critique session. Each attendee is encouraged to bring 5 images for critique as a rain activity. Steve will also present a program for the group.

Mark Buckler will provide a photographic presentation and/or tour of the Wildlife Education Center, time permitting.

Option #2

There are many attractions and galleries on the Outer Banks. You will have a complete listing.

CONTEST

You will upload your best image of the weekend at a workstation in the hotel. These will be projected to the group and 3 judges on Sunday morning. The judges will award prizes to the top three images. Up to 20 images may be critiqued, time allowing.

Details will follow to the confirmed attendees.

QUESTIONS

Contact Susan Bailey at email outings@cnpa-triangle.org