

Expanding Your Creativity at Mono Lake

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“Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.”
Scott Adams

Mono Lake and the Eastern Sierra offer some of the best nature photography in North America. The Mono Lake Basin offers a diversity of landscapes unlike any other in the country. Spend from Monday afternoon through Friday’s sunrise with Lewis Kemper, as we work on creative techniques to take your photography to the next level. Lewis will talk about night photography, long exposure photography, HDR, panoramas, creative composition and the use of color in your images. This week is the week approaching New Moon, which means we will have very dark nights and wonderful views of the Milky Way. October is also the time of autumn color in this region and we will take full advantage of nature’s show.

This class is for those that want to create more creative images of the natural landscape. It is a class for night owls! We will start on **Monday** with an orientation and a presentation on night photography covering subjects such as equipment, how to properly focus, set your white balance, the use of HDR to capture the full range of the scene, zooming for effect, shooting stars, cityscapes and more. Then we will head out to the

South Tufas for sunset and head back into town for dinner. After dinner we venture out again for our first night photo shoot. Working on images of the stars and Milky Way over the tufa towers. Lewis is will help you with setup and shooting techniques as well as assist in light painting the foregrounds. Fortunately the days are short in October, and we should be snuggled into bed before midnight.

Tuesday morning we will photograph sunrise at South Tufas an after breakfast, we will have time to rest. After lunch there will be a presentation on Long Exposure Creativity and Time/Motion Studies detailing the use of strong neutral density filters to make long exposures in bright sunlight. As well as a discussion about creating time lapse sequences both in camera and with external processing. Then after the presentation we will head out into the field to practice these techniques. The evening will comprised of a sunset, and night photo shoot, location will be decided by weather conditions.

Wednesday morning we will head out around sunrise. After breakfast you'll have time to rest and catch a few hours of sleep before we meet in the afternoon for a presentation, "Into the Eye of the Sun; Realistic HDR Images." After the presentation we will once again photograph sunset and the stars before calling it a day.

Thursday morning starts with another sunrise session heading out around 6 AM followed by breakfast and rest. After an early lunch Lewis will do his last presentation, "Using the Local Adjustment Tools to take your images from the Ordinary to the Extraordinary". And then once again we will head out for a sunset session, dinner and our last star session.

Friday morning starts with a sunrise session and our farewell breakfast, and a quick sharing session of some of your favorite images of the week thus ending the workshop.

Class Limit: The class is limited to 6 participants

Fee: for the workshop is \$745 by check (sent to Lewis Kemper 800 Saverien Dr Sacramento, CA 95864) or \$765 by credit card.

Registration: Please go to: <http://www.lewiskemper.com/content/expanding-your-creativity-mono-lake-ca-workshop> to pay by credit card or send a check to the address above

Lodging suggestions: I will be staying at Murphy's Motel 800- 334-6316 and I also recommend the Lake View Lodge (800) 990-6614 Lodging should be from Monday evening the 21st checking out on Friday the 25th. There are also many camping opportunities in the area.

Suggested Equipment:

dSLR or mirrorless camera

Tripod

Cable release or bulb timer/intervalometer built in

Neutral Density filters – optional if you want to work on long exposures during the day - either a variable ND or a 10 or 15 stop ND; I recommend a 15 stop filter if you want to create long exposures during the day, either Singh-Ray; Haida; Breakthrough Photography; Lee; Tiffen or Hoya

Laptop computer for processing images

Lightroom or Photoshop

LEWIS KEMPER is widely recognized as a photographer, writer, and instructor, lecturing throughout the United States. He currently is a Contributing Editor to Outdoor Photographer. He was the photographer for, “Ancient Ancestors of the Southwest”, published by Graphic Arts Center Publishing. Kemper’s monograph, “Capturing the Light” won the People’s Choice Awards in Fine Art in the 2009 Photography. Book. Now competition. His publication “Photographing Yosemite Digital Field Guide” was voted in the top 20 field guides. Lewis’ DVD, “My Stretch of the River: A Photographer’s Journal”, features a years worth of photography and journal entries on the American River in Sacramento, CA. His latest publications are photo guide apps, “Yosemite National Park SNAPPGuide” and “Yellowstone National Park SNAPPGuide”.

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WORKSHOP DATES: _____

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ARE YOU ALLERGIC TO ANY MEDICATIONS? IF SO WHAT?

ANY SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS?
