

Sunrise/Sunset Photography Day

Photographers often take their best pictures in the sunrise or sunset hours. On April 13, 2013, the Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary in Lothian, MD opens one hour before sunrise and closes one hour after sunset to give photographers just this opportunity. Then, at 10:00 AM, photographers are welcome to meet up with a Sanctuary naturalist in the Wetlands Center for a short hike to a vernal pool to photograph amphibians and salamanders. From noon to 2, participants will meet for an informal photo workshop, again in the Wetlands Center. Nature and wildlife photographer Wayne Bierbaum will be available to critique photos and discuss his approach to nature photography. In the afternoon, photographers again roam the grounds, re-visiting morning sites or finding new ones.

Bring your lunch to eat at the workshop (you can store your lunch in a refrigerator upon arrival). Free hot coffee and home-made cookies will be available. There will be tables and electrical outlets for your laptops if you would like to review and work on your photos. (The Wetlands Center does not have Internet access.) Each photographer will receive a map of the Sanctuary showing a few of the many photographic vistas and vantage points.

You don't need to stay for the entire day; you can come and leave at any time. The \$20 fee gives you access to the Sanctuary outside of normal hours, a guided excursion to a vernal pool, and admission to the workshop. Although any level of photographer is welcome, this event is best suited to the avid hobbyist, dedicated amateur or professional.

The Sanctuary offers splendid views of the Patuxent River, marshes with boardwalks, and miles of forest trails, including one that runs alongside a beaver pond. Sunset vantage points are abundant. Photos of typical Sanctuary habitat and wildlife can be found here (https://www.facebook.com/pages/Jug-Bay-Wetlands-Sanctuary/104281916277607?sk=photos_stream)

Please register by sending a check for \$20 made out to Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary. Write "April 2013 Photo Workshop" in the memo field and *carefully* print your email address in the upper left corner. Mail the check to Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, 1361 Wrighton Road, Lothian, MD. Please register before April 6. Registration is limited to 20 participants.

We will hold this event in any weather except rain; if rain is likely, we will notify you via email the night before that the event is cancelled (money refunded of course). Questions may be addressed to the workshop organizer, Colin Barnett (colinbarnett88@gmail.com). If you don't hear back from the Sanctuary after sending in your payment, email Colin.

Sunrise is at 6:30 am. The gates open at 5:30 am. Meet in the Wetlands Center. Directions: www.jugbay.org.

You can sign up through this page also. Half the 20 spots are gone.

<http://www.jugbay.org/PhotoWorkshop>

**Thanks,
Wayne**