

Unleash pet photography ideas



MONTE NAGLER

FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY

Photographing your pet properly will reward you with many memorable shots of that very important family member.

And by following a few simple rules, you'll find it easier than you may think. To begin with, use a shutter speed fast enough to stop any motion of your frisky pet when shooting outdoors. A speed of at least 1/250 should do. Any speed slower and you'll begin to pick up movement in your picture.

If indoors, it's always best to use flash. The smaller aperture called for by your flash unit will increase depth-of-field so that most, if not all, of your pet will appear sharp and in focus.

Further, the brightness of light from flash will make each hair and whisker razor sharp in the finished print. A note of caution when using flash: To avoid "red eye," very common in animal pictures, remove the flash from the camera. By doing so, unwanted "red eye," the reflection of blood in the retina, will be eliminated.

I've always believed that the most impact-filled shots are those where you move in close and keep things simple. So try using a telephoto lens perhaps in the 100-

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200mm range. Fill the frame and shoot away.

Get down on the pet's level and shoot across at the pet. The photo will appear more natural when compared with those looking down on your pet.

Be sure to watch your backgrounds. Keep them simple and non-distracting. Nothing can ruin

a pet picture faster than an unwanted table leg or magazine rack.

You'll probably have a tough time posing your pet. Pets just don't want to hold still. So concentrate on unposed, more spontaneous pictures. Let your cat get engrossed with a ball of yarn or your dog with a tasty biscuit. They'll soon forget about you and will offer many photo possibilities for you and your camera.

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Pet project: Debbye Rheker of Warren produced an excellent photograph of her pet collie, Molly. A telephoto lens moved her in close for this impact-filled shot.

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taught herself quilting, will discuss her quilts and Merry Silber will conduct a walk-through of the show. Other walk-throughs of the show with Silber can be arranged for groups of six or more. The exhibit will be sponsored by Audrey and William Farber and George and Pearl Zetler.

Curating the show presented a challenge to Silber, whose activities during the year include curating the annual quilt show at the Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council and Center. Jewish quilts were more utilitarian than involved with design, Silber said.

"Quilting is not a Jewish craft," she said. "In a Jewish home there were fat comforters with goose down."

"(The concern was), 'Will I get enough quilts to make up a show?'"

Quilting has been part of American culture since colonial days. Quilts were functional and personal, serving as warm bed coverings, colorful accents to decor and ways to record significant events and personal statements. Since the Bicentennial, there has been a resurgence of respect and recognition for work of the hands, Silber said.

"(The pieces) were made by artists who turned to painting with fabric."

"This is an art show of quilts and fine arts."

The American art form and Jewish tradition come together in an artistic and inspirational embrace in the exhibit. Quilting techniques are seen in such ritual objects as prayer shawls and Torah covers.

"(It) wedded a thing together that made our culture that much richer."

The featured pieces have a wide variety of designs and styles, with 18 artists to an inch. The backs are almost as beautiful as

the fronts. In some works, such as one called "Changing Planes," light and dark dramatically play together. Others tell a story, such as the brightly colored quilt showing a mermaid and ship she cannot wear.

Betty Goldstein of Toledo was recovering from an injury when friends brought her every piece of blue fabric they could find. Using the pieces, Goldstein made a charm quilt she called "Oy I Have Got the Blues." Another artist made a quilt resembling the Western Wall, leaving the stones unstitched. Viewers may write prayers on pieces of paper and leave them at the show, to be sewn into the quilt later.

The exhibit also includes Hasidic dolls by Kath Lathers of the Backdoor Gallery in Farmington. These figures were inspired by the mystique of the Hasidic movement, whose members find ecstasy in communication with God. Lathers conveys this joy in the dolls, who almost seem to leap as they are watched. Their faces are up, their arms open wide.

Lathers researched the work, doing a lot of reading and interviews.

"I had a lot of reservations . . . I don't want people to think I'm making fun," the artist said.

"I was afraid that (the lightheartedness) would . . . make fun of something I take very seriously."

And the dolls made Lathers feel she could take her art in another direction.

"These little guys made me realize this is something," she said.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-

Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and

Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices are available. Call 661-1000, Ext. 470.

Art auction to benefit medical center

The Sophie and Harry Hoffman Chapter for City of Hope National Medical Center will host a fine art auction in conjunction with Southfield-based Park West Gallery Thursday, Nov. 4, at Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills.

The evening will begin with a wine and cheese preview 6:30 p.m., followed by the auction 7:30 p.m. Admission to the preview is \$5 per person. Admission to the auction is free.

For tickets or more information, call Micki Kline at 661-0850, Corinne Garvin at 557-4491 or City of Hope at 737-3020.

A percentage of the proceeds from the fine art auction will benefit City of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute. Founded in 1913 and located in Duarte, Calif., the City of Hope is renowned for its advanced research and treatment of cancer including leukemia, and diabetes, as

well as its research in AIDS, Alzheimer's and many hereditary and genetic disorders. The auction will feature original paintings, sculptures and hand-signed limited edition graphic works of art by more than 40 artists, including several of the world's most famous.

Selections include pieces by Cezanne, Chagall, Dalí, Durer, Erté, Goya, Miro, Picasso and Rembrandt, as well as works from the collections of several living artists, among them Yacov Agam, Harold Altman, Boulanger, Dux, Lebadang, Fanch Ledan, Markos, Mouly, Turkey, Wolfson and Vasarely.

Park West Gallery has completely cataloged the collection and will work with a certificate of authenticity. Most of the winning bids are expected to be between \$100 and \$5,000.

Ron Foreman of Bread Basket Deli is honorary chairman of the event.

Open house helps spruce up for holiday time

English Gardens on Orchard Lake Road at Maple in West Bloomfield will host a preview to the Festival of Trees 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at its annual Holiday Open House.

Children are invited to have a free photo taken with Santa Claus throughout the day. Other activities will

include Christmas caroling, free refreshments and hourly door prize drawings. In keeping with the spirit of the holiday season, English Gardens will donate a portion of purchases from the open house to the Children's Hospital of Michigan Festival of Trees.

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