

Spring into action with challenging photo



FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY
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Spring shot: Springtime clouds offer many opportunities for photographers. Monte Nagler took this dramatic shot on a recent trip to Tennessee's Cumberland Gap.

Spring is here at last! No aching backs from shoveling and no frozen fingertips. Springtime livens our hearts, stimulates our senses, and serves as an incentive to get the camera out of winter hibernation.

Many exciting and challenging picture-taking opportunities are available in springtime. Now is the time to dust off the camera and get in gear for some rewarding experiences.

If your camera has been sitting around all winter, make sure the batteries are fresh and that you brush up on your knowledge of all controls.

Ready to begin? There's a lot of picture potential out there. Here are some ideas of what to shoot, where to go and how to do it.

Perhaps the best place to begin

your springtime photography is with the abundance of flowers and blossoms in the area. Some flowers have vivid and bold colors, some soft, and pastel, but all invite your camera to record their springtime serenade.

For best results, move in tight, using close-up equipment such as close-up filters or a macro lens. You need to be steady when you shoot in close, so be sure to use a tripod and cable release. Carry a piece of dark poster board with you to place behind the flowers in order to eliminate distracting backgrounds.

For blossoming trees, shoot in

early morning or late afternoon light to get maximum texture and detail in the foliage. A polarizing filter will darken the blue sky, adding further impact to your shot.

An exciting springtime locale is your local zoo. While the zoo offers year-round picture possibilities, it is especially attractive in spring. Many animal species, such as deer, sheep and goats, have their offspring this time of year. The children's zoo is always alive with springtime activity, not just of the animals, but candid shots of the youngsters as they are absorbed in the antics of their

animal friends.

Many state parks surround the metropolitan area and they offer picture opportunities, too. From a meandering stream to an intimate waterfall to the path leading into the woods, nature offers tremendous photo possibilities. Just keep your photographer's vision in tune and "spring" into action with your camera.

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