

# Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society Workshop

## Photo Road Trip: West Virginia's Canaan Valley October 2-5, 2014

Members of the Cuyahoga Valley Photo Society Steering Committee will be leading a road trip to the Canaan Valley of West Virginia, known for its vivid fall color, waterfalls, sheer rock cliffs, bogs and scenic views from the highest mountain in the mountain state.

The Canaan Valley is less than six hours from northeast Ohio and is worth the trip—whether it is your first visit or you're returning to photograph this amazing place again!

### Shooting Locations

The Road Trip will be focused on photographing the amazing opportunities in Canaan. To maximize our time, there will be no lectures or critiques during the trip. CVPS leaders will guide you to photo locations such as the following.

- **Blackwater Falls:** These falls drop five stories and are among the most-photographed in the state. The falls may be viewed from above and below. The water gets its dark color from tannic acid from fallen hemlock and red spruce needles.
- **Pendleton Point:** This area of Blackwater Falls State Park gives a wide view of the Blackwater River Canyon. It is the canyon's deepest and widest point. The waters of Elakala Falls cascade down the mountain opposite the overlook.
- **Dolly Sods:** Here is a wilderness area more like Canada than West Virginia. There are sphagnum bogs with sundew and reindeer moss. The branches of red spruce trees grow only on one side because of strong prevailing winds.



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- **Seneca Rocks:** These rocks, which rise nearly 900 feet above the North Fork River, are one of the best-known landmarks of West Virginia.
- **Spruce Knob:** At 4,863 feet above sea level, Spruce Knob is West Virginia's highest mountain. This rugged alpine peak is an ideal place to view a sunset.

### Details and Registration

Plan on arriving at our meeting location in WV (to be sent to participants) by late afternoon Thursday, October 2, spending Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning in the field, then leaving after lunch on Sunday, October 5.

Participants must be comfortable using their camera equipment and tripod. Participants are responsible for their own lodging, food, and transportation (carpooling is encouraged). Information on group lodging discounts will be available later. The Road Trip is limited to 20 participants.

### Road Trip Fee:

**\$195 CVPS member/ \$255 non-member**

**Early bird discount for the first 10 registered participants by June 30: \$175 CVPS member/ \$235 non-member.**

Non-member fee includes CVPS and Conservancy for CVNP membership.

To register, call the Conservancy for CVNP:

(330) 657-2909 ext. 100