

Join CVPS and fellow photographers for a photo tour to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Led by CVPS Steering Committee photographers Bill Dickinson, Mary Ann Kucera and Dave Longfellow, this tour provides an exciting opportunity to experience one the country's premier national parks in the spring. The Smoky Mountains are the most biologically diverse area in the National Park System. Ancient mountains, forested landscapes, waterfalls, wildlife, and a magnificent array of spring wildflowers await you.

The Smokies are located in the southern Appalachian Mountains. At a distance of 525 miles from northeast Ohio, the trip is worth taking to explore and photograph this iconic national park.



## **Shooting Locations**

This tour will focus on the amazing photographic opportunities in the Smokies. To maximize our time in the field, there will be no lectures or critiques during this trip. CVPS leaders will guide you to locations such as Clingmans Dome, Cades Cove, Roaring Fork, Hardwood Cove, Laurel Falls, Porter Creek, and Schoolhouse Gap. With over 1500 varieties of blooming plants in the park, the tour will provide many opportunities to observe and photograph spring wildflowers.

The Smokies are a mountainous park. Many of the shooting locations are accessed via a moderate hike. Some optional locations may require a more rigorous hike.



## **Tour Details**

Our tour will begin Tuesday, April 18 at 5 p.m. and conclude Saturday, April 22 at 10 a.m. The Mountain House Inn in Gatlinburg (800-462-7298) is the home-base; a block of rooms has been reserved at a favorable price (\$72+tax/nt) until April 1. Participants are responsible for their own lodging, food, and transportation costs (we encourage car-pooling). To enjoy the group camaraderie, we plan to share meals together at local restaurants. We'd be happy to answer any questions you may have or provide additional information; please email us at: workshops@cvps.org



## **Registration and Tour Fee**

This photo tour is limited to 12 participants. The fee is \$395 for CVPS members and \$455 for non-members. A deposit of \$195 is required at registration, with the balance due March 15.

\* Trip leaders will be monitoring the situation with the recent fires in the Smokies and will confirm the tour by March 1, 2017. Participants should not make non-cancellable reservations (including airline tickets) until the trip is confirmed by the CVPS.

**<u>Register ONLINE</u>** or call the Conservancy for CVNP at (330) 657-2909 ext. 100