

SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY: LEARNING THE BASICS

JUNE 20, 2020

COURSE LEVEL: III COURSE #: S1008
FEE: \$80 PER ADULT AGES 16 AND OLDER



**Rocky
Mountain
Conservancy**

FIELD INSTITUTE

INSTRUCTOR: FIELD PETERSON

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LOCATION: Rocky Mountain Conservancy – Field Institute & Conference Center
1895 Fall River Road, Estes Park, Colorado

TIME: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Do you love to travel, but aren't sure how to capture the beauty with your phone or camera? In this highly interactive and fun course, you will learn how to work your phone and digital camera. Elevate your photography game by mastering your equipment, exposure, and composition during this hands-on workshop. Get creative, share ideas, and work together to explore the wonderful realm of photography.

COURSE LEVEL: III

Moderate hikes of less than five miles per day with elevation gain of less than 1,000 ft.

INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHY (additional information available at www.RMConservancy.org):

Field spends most of his time outside, with a camera by his side. Through photography, he finds both a sense of peace and adventure. Since he started photography 6 years ago, Field has explored some of the most picturesque locations in the United States. For the past several years, he has worked with Colorado State University's Warner College of Natural Resources to photograph the world through values of conservation and stewardship.

INSTRUCTOR'S WEBSITE: fieldpeterson.com

EXPECTATIONS: Professional conduct will be expected from participants at all times. Individual ideas will be respected. Except during course breaks, personal entertainment devices are strictly prohibited in the classroom and during field sessions.

CAR-POOLING: Rocky Mountain Conservancy - Field Institute courses utilize car-pooling to limit vehicles traveling into the park. Car-pooling makes it easier to keep the group together, reduces transit time, and allows courses greater access because fewer parking spaces are required at destinations. In addition, it provides an opportunity for participants to discuss course material in small groups during transit. Typically, a few participants from each course volunteer the use of their vehicles for car-pooling to course locations.

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE:

7:00 AM	Meet at the Rocky Mountain Conservancy Field Institute.
7:00 AM – 7:30AM	Introductions and purpose
7:30 AM	Carpool to Bear Lake.
8:00 AM – 3:00PM	Outdoor workshop – overview of basic techniques around Nymph and Dream Lakes. Solo and group time to share and create. Photograph around Bear Lake. Bring snack/lunch with you.
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Return to Rocky Mountain Conservancy Field Institute for group discussion and reflection. Share challenges, thoughts, and photographs.

WHAT TO BRING:

- Snacks, lunch, plenty of **water**
- Gloves/hat/layers for cold morning weather
- Sunscreen and hat
- Good, comfortable hiking shoes/boots
- Rain gear in case of inclement weather, rain covers for camera equipment
- Any camera equipment and accessories:
 - Lenses, memory card, tripod, batteries/chargers
 - Camera bag/backpack
 - Small notebook and pen for notetaking

In this workshop, we'll explore photography in one of the most ideal locations in the world – Rocky Mountain National Park. Whether you're just curious about how to take better photos on your smartphone or are ready to get serious with your new DSLR, Field will walk you through the steps to get started. We'll spend time working solo and as groups to get creative, share ideas, reflect, and learn. Please bring whatever equipment you have – smartphones, interchangeable lens, digital cameras, lenses, batteries, and memory cards. If you have unfamiliar equipment, bring your camera/lens manuals to class.

REMEMBER TO BRING THE 10 ESSENTIALS:

Rocky Mountain National Park recommends that hikers always carry the 10 essentials in their daypacks.

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| ▪ Raingear | ▪ Map and compass | ▪ Flashlight or headlamp |
| ▪ Sunglasses and sunscreen | ▪ Candles | ▪ Matches or other fire starter |
| ▪ Pocketknife | ▪ First-aid kit | ▪ Extra layers of clothing |
| ▪ Sack lunch, snacks, water | | |

Note: Rocky Mountain Conservancy – Field Institute recommends that participants for all courses dress in layers and wear comfortable, sturdy hiking boots/shoes. Participants should be prepared for sudden changes in temperature and weather conditions.

REFUND POLICY:

Cancellations received at least 14 days prior to the start of a class will qualify for a refund minus a cancellation fee of \$25 per participant for a one-day class, \$50 for a multi-day class, \$5 per kid's class and \$15 per half-day class or bus tour seat. Registration money transferred to another class will be subject to a \$10 switch fee.

Cancellations received less than 14 days prior to the start of a class or bus tour will not generate a refund. If the Field Institute cancels a class, every effort will be made to place the participant in another class; otherwise, a full refund will be given.

TEACHER RECERTIFICATION CREDIT:

Most courses are eligible for teacher recertification credit through the Centennial Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES). The fee is \$25 per class (.5 unit) or \$25 per series of threaded courses (1.0 - 3.0 units). A list of threaded courses can be found online at www.RMConservancy.org. Participants must enroll in all courses of a threaded series in order to qualify for the \$25 multi-unit fee. Please be prepared to pay for this credit with a check, made payable to BOCES, on the first day of a class or on the final day of a threaded series of courses.