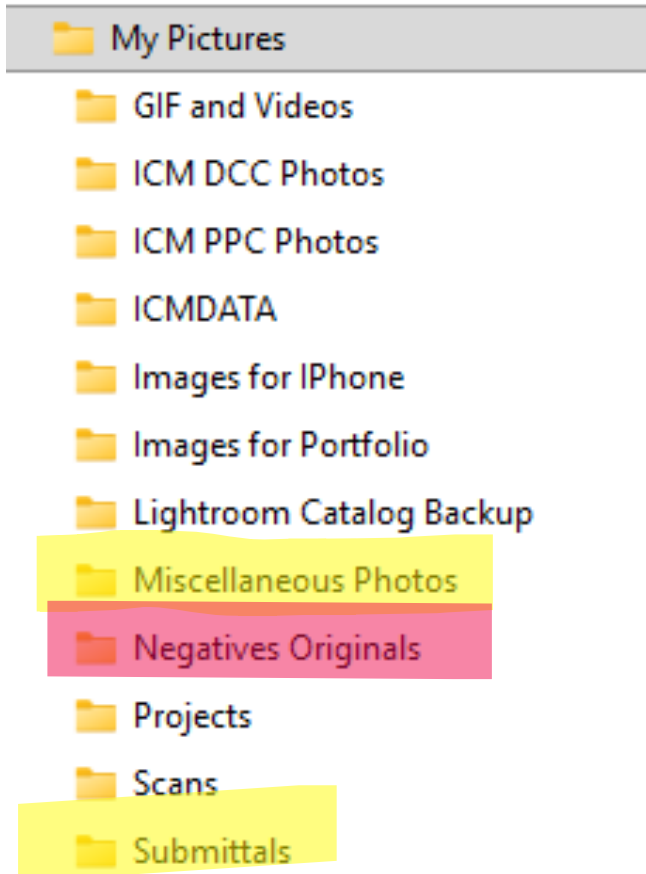


Personal Organization and Workflow

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Organization



The Major Categories

- Miscellaneous Photos – Family photos, photos for documentation such as HOA, slideshows, etc
- Submittals
 - All the images I submit to clubs and outside competitions – a TIFF and a final per the contest rules
- **Negatives Originals**
 - All the images I take on photo trips, field trips, etc
 - Basically, all my “art photos”

Negatives Organization: by Year, then Date and Topic/Location

- ▼ Negatives Originals
 - > Negatives 2002-2003
 - > Negatives 2004
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 - > Negatives 2019
 - > Negatives 2020
 - > Negatives 2021
 - > Negatives 2022
 - > Negatives 2023
 - > Negatives 2024
 - > Negatives 2025
 - > Negatives 2026
- ▼ Negatives 2026
 - 20260110 - A - Whiterock Lake
 - 20260110 - Rugby - PPC
 - 20260117 - Cedar Hill
 - 20260127 - iphone
 - 20260128 - Snow Grass Shadows
 - 20260129 - Birds
 - > 20260203-06 - New Mexico
 - 20260207 - DCC Texas Live
 - 20260210- Table Leg Abstract
 - 20260219 - Clouds
 - 20260219 - Pool Foam Abstracts
 - 20260220 - Grackles
 - 20260221 - FW Stockyards Scavenger Hunt
 - 20260302 - Moon
 - 20260314 - Ballet Ensemble of Texas
 - 20260321 - Celtic Festival
 - 20260401 - From iPhone
 - > 20260402-6 - Rio Grande Valley
 - 20260406 - Abstracts
 - 20260409 - Palo Pinto Mountains State Park
 - 20260412 - iPhone
- ▼ 20260402-6 - Rio Grande Valley
 - 20260402 - A - Rosebud Windows and Doors
 - 20260402 - B - Tree
 - 20260402 - C - Parrots
 - 20260403 - A - Moon
 - 20260403 - B - Isla Blanca Park
 - 20260403 - C - Birding Nature and Alligator Sanctuary
 - 20260403 - D - Sand Dunes
 - 20260403 - E - South Padre Island Convention enter
 - 20260403 - F - Boca Chica and Starbase
 - 20260404 - A - Parrots
 - 20260404 - B - Bentsen - Rio Grande Valley State Park
 - 20260404 - C - National Butterfly Center
 - 20260404 - D - Santa Anna National Wildlife Refuge
 - 20260404 - E - Estero Llano Grande State Park
 - 20260405 - A - Brownsville
 - 20260405 - B - Estero Llano Grande State Park
 - 20260406 - Corpus Christi
 - 20260406 - Landscapes and Others
 - 20260406 - Other
 - 20260406 - Palms and Parrots
 - 20260406 - The Big Tree

Workflow: Home on a Desktop

- Create a folder in Lightroom for the new entries. (Date – Topic/Location)
- Import photos from multiple bodies including iPhone
- Organize by date/time so everything in order taken (make sure all bodies have the correct time)
- May subdivide the folder at this time.
- Start processing and sorting.
- Every night a program (Goodsync) saves all changes to two sources.

Workflow: On the Road Using a Laptop

- Create a folder in Lightroom for the Trip.
- Create a folder in Lightroom under the Trip for each day. (Date – Topic/Location)
- Import photos from multiple bodies including iPhone
- Organize by date/time so everything in order taken (make sure all bodies have the correct time)
- May subdivide the folder at this time.
- Only process to see if I need to make adjustments in settings or technique.
- Backup to two external drives and keep one in my pocket.
- When I return home, copy from the backup drive to my desktop file structure.

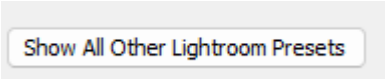
Processing/Sorting

- If I shot a lot of bursts say with wildlife, use auto stacking by time.
- I process sequentially and sort as I go.
- Reject dogs or unused from a burst (Type X)
- Process enough to see if I like the image.
- Add stars
 - 1 – nothing wrong with the image
 - 2 – Pretty good image
 - 3 – Good enough to share.
 - 4 – I really like this. Maybe do a test print
 - 5 – One of my all time best

Demo

- Create Folder
- Import to folder
- Subdivide the folder
- Use Auto Stacking
- Apply STARS
- Reject
- Show Rejects and Delete
- Load Dennis' Sorting Filter Presets

Installing Dennis' Filter Presets

- Download the ZIP file. [HERE](#)
- Open the ZIP file and Copy the two.
- Navigate to the Lightroom Classic Filter Preset Folder
 - Edit – Preferences
 - Click on Presets
 - Then 
 - You are now in the file manager Pointing to “Lightroom”
 - Double Click to Open
 - Find the Folder “Filter Presets” and copy the two files to that folder.
 - Restart Lightroom Classic and the Filters are available