

2022 Classification of Photographers

Enthusiast

An **Enthusiast** may have some or all of the attributes listed below:

- Strong interest in photography
- Basic knowledge of camera operation with a keen interest in learning more
- Relies heavily on “Automatic” mode regardless of camera type (cell phone, point and shoot, DLR, mirrorless, etc)
- Basic understanding and use of post processing software
- Limited participation in Gimme Your Best Shot, Critiques, Field Trips and Presentations, but little or no experience in photo competitions

Advanced

An **Advanced** photographer would have moved further up the learning/experience/equipment curve and would have demonstrated skills in the some or all of the items listed below:

- Participation in numerous Gimme Your Best Shot, Critiques and Speaker presentations
- Proficiency in using camera, various lenses, flash, etc
- Understands depth of field, composition guidelines and other techniques
- No longer depends on Automatic settings and has moved up to advanced settings such as Aperture Priority, Shutter Priority, Program and/or Manual modes
- Competence with post processing software
- Quality of images submitted in Gimme Your Best Shot, Critiques and Exhibitions
- Experience in photo competitions