

Palomar College Workforce & Community Development
Borrego Springs Photo Expedition
Friday, March 11th – Sunday March 13th, 2011

Meeting place, Friday, March 11th 2pm: Community United Methodist Church, 633 Diamond Bar Road (Church Lane). Please have your lodging arrangements finalized and a **full tank of gas** before you come to this 2pm meeting. Please notify instructor if unable to be at this meeting (email wlwec@yahoo.com).

LODGING: You make your own arrangements. Borrego Springs has accommodations for tent and RV camping at Borrego Palm Canyon Campground, and RV camping only at Palm Canyon Resort. There is a wide array of lodging, ranging from four-star La Casa del Zorro (pricey) to modest motels, to a couple of very nice B & B's. (**Make your reservations early.**)

EQUIPMENT LIST:

PHOTOGRAPHIC: Camera, tripod (very important), lenses, lots of SLIDE film, or memory cards and whatever you normally carry on a photo expedition. Don't forget extra batteries, owner's manual, a notebook for keeping track of images, polarizing filter, an extra camera body, if available, etc.

GENERAL: Clothing for both warm and chilly weather – bring layers if possible. A raincoat would be advisable, along with long pants, shorts if you like, a hat, boots for walking in rough terrain, as well as shoes for walking on muddy ground, sunblock, and at least two each one-quart water containers per person. There will be some driving (20-40 mile) each day. There are several restaurants in the area for your evening meals. Saturday will be a full day of photographic opportunities. We will leave early Saturday morning at 7am and return just before nightfall. Please bring a sack lunch, drinks and/or snacks. Sunday will begin "very early" and conclude our photo expedition around 12noon. The trip will "go", rain or shine, although itinerary may change due to flooding or road damage. There will be at least two hikes of 1.5 to 2 miles each, over rough terrain and steep slopes.

NOTE: We will visit several highly photogenic locations in Anza Borrego Desert State Park.

POLICIES:

1. No guests, pets, or babies – sorry!
2. If you are more than ten minutes late for any scheduled departure time, you can assume the group will leave without you.
3. Each student will be responsible for his or her own lodging.
4. If you have not been in a previous class with this instructor – you will be expected to have a working knowledge of your camera. Please bring an interchangeable lens, 35mm, or digital or larger, adjustable camera.