

ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIELD SEMINARS

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PHOTOGRAPHY: ELK & ASPEN

OCTOBER 5, 2008

COURSE LEVEL: II COURSE #: 08-056

FEE: \$ 100

INSTRUCTOR: W. PERRY CONWAY



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**LOCATION: Rocky Mountain Field Seminar & Conference Center
1895 Fall River Road, Estes Park, Colorado**

TIME: 6:30 AM - Sunset

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Autumn is a truly magical time to be in the high country. This seminar will focus on two seasonal events that will offer photographers an outstanding opportunity to capture memorable moments on film—fall colors and bugling elk. Lectures, fieldwork, and critiques will encompass this photographic experience in RMNP.

COURSE LEVEL: II

Short-distance walks throughout the day on primarily level terrain

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

W. Perry Conway has been a full time professional nature photographer for more than 30 years. His work has been published in every major wildlife and nature magazine produced in North America, including many images of elk and aspen trees. He is a former biology teacher with an M.S. degree in curriculum development in outdoor education.

INSTRUCTOR'S WEBSITE: www.perryconway.com

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

CAR-POOLING: Rocky Mountain Field seminars 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:

6:30 AM	Introductions and overview of the day's schedule
6:45 AM.	Field photography session
10:00 AM	Lecture on elk and aspen biology and photo techniques
Noon	Lunch break
1:30 PM	Lecture on photo techniques and image critique session (see below).
3:45 PM	Field photography session—elk

WHAT TO BRING:

- Sack lunch, snacks, energy bars, & **WATER**
- 5 - 7 of your images (prefer slides) to participate in the critique session
- 5-10 rolls of 36 exp.
- 100 ASA film or 2-4 gigs of memory for digital camera
- Adjustable 35mm or medium format camera
- Lenses: Wide angle lens 35mm or less
Short telephoto 80-200mm;
Medium telephoto of over 200mm is also desirable (i.e. 300-500mm)
- Tripod: Best models similar to the Bogen 3221
- Camera bag and/or daypack

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

Note: Rocky Mountain Field Seminars 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.

TEACHER RECERTIFICATION CREDIT

Most seminars are eligible for teacher recertification credit through the Centennial Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES). The new fee is \$25.00 per seminar (.5 units) or \$25.00 per series of threaded seminars (1.0 - 3.0 units). A list of threaded seminars can be found in the Field Seminar catalog or online at www.rmna.org. Participants must enroll in all seminars of a threaded series in order to qualify for the \$25.00 multi-unit fee. Please be prepared to pay for this credit with a check, made payable to BOCES, on the first day of a seminar or on the final day of a threaded series of seminars.

THIS COURSE IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CSU CREDIT.