

Education Committee Report to Staff 7/1/20

- Busy summer
- Offered the new **Teaching Via Zoom** training session for instructors and class assistants - 29 attended
 - We continue to learn how to best teach in this Zoom environment
 - Having folks sign in early and the assistant being responsible for assisting them with mic and video works well
 - as does having the assistant look for raised hands
 - Some members still struggle with **Sharing** so we continue to encourage instructors to have the participants email them their photos ahead of the second class
 - The chair found that doing this and having them saved in LR allowed her to follow the critique discussion and make minor adjustments to the photos to show the results of suggestions and continue to teach more editing techniques

- As of 7/1/20
 - 132 seats of 242 in classes & sharing sessions sold (1 new class not yet announced)
 - As compared to Summer 2019: 101 seats sold of 121 offered
 - Note all offerings are free while we all learn to teach and learn via Zoom
 - 18 classes/sharing sessions in this semester to date
 - But 10 are double sessions
 - So, 28 actual offerings to date
 - 8 sold out to date
 - 11 instructors vs 10 last summer
 - 54 members have registered to date
 - Most classes per member – 8 with several taking 4-5
 - The person who is taking 8 told the chair yesterday “These Zoom classes are making my summer of isolation bearable and more than that, enjoyable, and fun. I’m learning so much.” She’s a novice.

- Plans for the rest of the summer are to continue to recruit instructors and members to offer new sharing sessions and/or to repeat sold out sessions.

- Education Committee meeting next week to
 - Review summer session, what’s working and what we can do better
 - To discuss a poll of members to ask them what topics they’d like added to this summer for classes and sharing
 - Begin to plan for the fall Zoom semester
 - Discuss going back to charging as we know now how to teach via Zoom