

## RIDERWOOD PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB - FIELD TRIP ANNOUNCEMENT

### Kenilworth Aquatic Garden

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Subject Matter:** Water Lilies, Lotus Blossoms, Ponds, Turtles, Birds, Insects, Beavers

**Date:** Tuesday, July 7, 2026

**Duration:** 3-4 hours approximately, including travel time

**Time:** 9:00 – 12:00

**Description:** The water lilies will be in full bloom - don't miss it. Tucked into a quiet corner of northeast DC, this hidden garden is a goldmine for photographers chasing color, light, and wildlife moments. Framed by trees and cattails, this aquatic paradise comes alive with turtles basking on sunlit logs, beavers at work, and dragonflies skimming the water's surface.

Lotus blossoms and water lilies spread across the water in vivid bursts, creating endless compositions—from bold, wide scenes to intimate details. The light shifts, reflections ripple, and something new is always unfolding.

Whether you're locking in on the delicate geometry of a dragonfly's wings or the luminous glow of a lotus at peak bloom, this is the kind of place that rewards patience—and keeps you shooting.

**Notes:** Though we will be at the Garden in the morning, the sun may be bright and the temperature warm so please dress appropriately.

**Transportation & Cost:** Carpooling. This site is fee-free year-round - no entrance fee or pass is required. A contribution of \$5 for gas would be appreciated for the drivers.

**Restaurants:** None... You might want to bring a snack and a bottle of water.

**Recommended Equipment:** Any camera with a telephoto or macro lens for close ups. The sun (if it comes out) will be bright so keep that in mind. For experimentation, you might want to try using your phone to compare with images obtained on your DSLR.

**Sign up Info:** Contact trip leader David Lassiter **no later than Tuesday, June 30**, at [david.lassiter1@verizon.net](mailto:david.lassiter1@verizon.net) or text him at 301-257-2936. Meet at the entrance to Town Center at 8:45 AM. We will depart at 9:00 AM promptly.

**Website:** <https://www.nps.gov/keaq/index.htm>