

# Shutter Bug 4-H Photo Camp



TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION, HOUSTON, TX

## William Banik

Wizard of Macro

*William plans to get participants so close to insects that the details will be awesome. He shares all the secrets for adapting equipment to capture amazing creatures. Participants will learn the secrets of getting close up and personal with the subject. "The Wizard" will pull the curtain on the technology that makes it all happen.*



William Banik is Program Vice President of the Houston Photographic Society and has earned his stripes as a novice photographer with a gift for Macro photography. His work is amazing and he has enjoyed macro photography as a hobby. He is a very humble photographer who has gained notoriety among his photographer friends as the "Wizard of Macro."

William enjoys exploring the trails of Buffalo Bayou and the west Houston expanses of Barker and Addicks reservoirs.

He has a keen interest in macro photography and photomicrography. It started out oh so innocently, a passing interest in building a DIY microscope to snap pictures with a web-cam. This passing interest has transformed into a full blown hobby that includes field macro photography and photomicrography tabletop stacks. He enjoys the hobby, capturing decent images requires one to not only develop an eye for the shot but also a healthy dose of DIY innovation to tackle hardware limitations. There is nothing better then encountering an obstacle, developing an idea to tackle the problem, and successfully implementing a solution.

William is active in the Google Plus macro groups. He moderates the MacroAddict community and by extension helps curate the Best of Macro Addict page. Always willing to help a fellow macro photographer out with the challenges presented by this form of photography and equally willing to listen and learn from others' techniques. Examples of his work may be found here:

<https://plus.google.com/u/0/+WilliamBanik/posts>

**Presenter Bio**