

HUNTSVILLE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER 700 MONROE ST. HUNTSVILLE, AL. 35801

October Program

Two slide presentations from Photographic Society of America were shown. The members who viewed them were pleased with the information that was given on how to produce winning images.

October Competition Results

We had 38 entries in Color prints, 12 in Black & White, and 42 in slides. Our thanks to Bob Gathney, for his critiques of the "Scenes of Huntsville" competition. He chose the following:

	<u>Color Prints</u>	<u>B&W Prints</u>	<u>Slides</u>
1st	Michael Cline	Elsabe Webster	Joe Boyd
2nd	Doug Felton	Pat Gardner	David Blue
3rd	Carol Blue	Ron Romej	Barbara Staggs
HM	Elsabe Webster	-	Fred Stevenson
HM	Page Vaughn	-	Guy McAlister

"Thanksabunch" to Lowell Skidmore our slide projector expert.

Southerlands Top Five: Don't forget that Southerland Photo sponsors a Top Five contest. The five Competition entrants who have accumulated the most points in our monthly competitions by December will receive gift certificates to be used at Southerlands.

Competition Total Points

Through the end of September are:

Barry Jackson	67	Guy McAlister	9
Elsabe Webster	57	Bill Reynolds	8
Barbara Staggs	47	Doug Felton	8
Pat Gardner	34	Don Bennett	6
Emily Saile	24	Virginia Gilbert	6
Lisa Stuart	23	Carol Blue	5
Bill Self	20	Dan Lighton	5
David Blue	20	Judy Fleming	5
Ron Romej	16	J. Soloman	4
Peter Grant	15	Amanda Grant	3
Alma Sanders	12	Roy Hefner	3
Lowell Skidmore	12	Fred Stevenson	2
Michael Cline	11	Donna Greenhaw	1
Joe Boyd	10	Joy Henderson	1
Pat Cole	10	R. Elliott	1

November Program Topic

Barry Jackson, a professional photographer and current lead in the Southerlands Top Five contest, will give "A Talk and Demonstration on Improving Color and Black and White Photographs by Retouching" Different techniques such as improving color, eliminating distracting elements, improving sharpness, and toning down highlights, will be explained with examples. Any person wanting to try some of these techniques will need to bring a 6-0 small brush, a small plastic artist's palette, and a spare color or black and white print. The club will have colors available. Barry's notes on brushes say "On the side of my favorite brush is written, "6/0 LOEW—CORNELL Series M ". Brushes go in size down to a 1 and then start with zeros. A 6/0 is actually a "000000". A 10/0 is really small. The palettes I use were 99 cents each. They have eight small areas and two larger mixing areas. I found two smaller ones were easier to handle than one large one."

November Competition

The November competition topic is "Humorous". Our judge is still not determined.

Members News

-Michael Parker, a new HPS member, has received an Award of Excellence for his black and white photograph, "White Industrial Tower". Michael's photograph, as well as photographs from members **Lisa Stuart, Pat Gardner, Patricia Cole, and Doug Felton** were entered in the Huntsville Art League Gallery's regional juried exhibit, "Southern Exposures '99". These photos along with other excellent art work can be seen until Nov. 5 at the Huntsville Art League Gallery located in the easternmost portion of Parkway City Mall during regular mall hours.

Welcome New Members

-Stan Turner
-Chris Kulas
-Corey Anna James
-Anthony Dang

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Featured Photographer of the Month

At the October meeting Sam Tumminello presented his wonderful black and white prints to a very interested and appreciative audience. Sam likes photographing people and his photographs really reflect that.

At the Nov. 8 meeting Barry Jackson will be our Photographer of the Month. Barry will also be conducting the workshop on retouching photos. (see November Program Topic)

From The President

-New HPS Board for 2000--The proposed board for the year 2000 is:

President-Barbara Staggs

Vice President/Program Chairman-Ron Romej
Competition Secretary-Judy Fleming and Lowell Skidmore

Newsletter-David and Carol Blue

Publicity-Sam Tumminello

Treasurer-Roberto Puon

There will be a vote on this slate of officers at the Nov. 13 meeting.

-Annual Awards and Party--On Mon. Dec. 13 HPS will hold its Annual Awards Dinner and Party. Dinner will consist of barbecue with all of the trimmings. Dinner will start at 6:00, Awards at approximately 7:00. Tickets are \$6.00 and can be bought at either of the Nov. meetings or by calling Barbara Staggs. This is a great opportunity to view all of the slides and prints that have won in monthly competition in 1999. Best of the Year winners will be announced as well as the Presidents Award for the person who has accumulated the most points during the year. Certificates will also be given for members who have attained Fellows of HPS, Bronze, Silver or Gold Star level and Master of Photography.

-Important News for Monthly Competition

Winners--Year-End Photos--If you have been a winner (any place from First to Honorable Mention) in the monthly competitions for 1999 you are eligible to participate in the end of the year competition of Best of the Year Awards. These awards will be given in three divisions: color prints, black and white and color

slides. All entries must be turned in to Judy Fleming, Competition Secretary, by the last competition meeting which is Mon. Nov. 22. The entries will then be delivered to the judges. The winners will be presented at the Annual Awards Dinner and Party Mon. Dec. 13.

-Big Bargain--From now until Dec. 31 you can pay your dues for next year for just \$18. In the year 2000 we go back to \$20 a year.

-Possible Change in Determining Competition

Points--Your HPS Board has been discussing ways to make the competition process more of a learning experience for all participants. The Board proposes the following to be voted on at the Nov. 22 meeting: The judge will award points to each picture on its own merit. There will be three levels—Gold (3 points), Silver (2 points), and Bronze (1 point). For the Gold level the judge will choose ALL of the pictures that (s)he feels are outstanding, of superior quality. The Silver level would be in the “almost but not quite” but definitely above average category and the Bronze would be at the level of Honorable Mention. There can be more than one award at each level but there may be some that would not receive any points. With the numbers of excellent entries we have been experiencing we feel that this would be a fairer way to give feedback and recognition. All of these awards would be eligible for the End of Year Competition.

-As a separate vote the Board proposes that the number of entries be limited to 4. These four could be entered into any category or split between them. - This new system would take effect starting in Jan. 2000.

-You can send comments to the Board by e-mail to Barbara Staggs, staggwh@ro.com.

Things of Interest

-Tour '99 Adobe Photoshop Seminar at:

-Birmingham (AL) Convention Center, Fri. Nov. 5

-Ft Lauderdale (FL) Convention Center, Sat Nov. 13

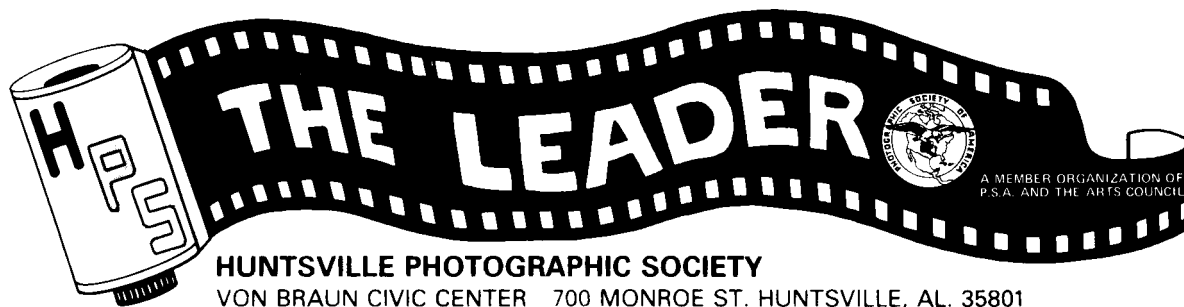
-Jacksonville (FL) Prime Osborn Convention Center, Wed. Nov. 17

all day, \$99. 1-800-201-7323

www.photoshopseminars.com

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-UAH Photoshop Seminar 1999--

The Department of Art & Art History at UAH is offering an introduction to Adobe®Photoshop. The Photoshop Seminar will introduce you to the basics of photography manipulation, techniques, basic computer retouching, and special effects. The seminar includes one-on-one help, demonstrations, and materials. The seminar will be five days of activity and fun!

WEEK 1--Dates: Thursday, November 11 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. Friday, November 12 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M.

WEEK 2--Dates: Tuesday, November 16 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. Thursday, November 18 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. Friday, November 19 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M.

COST--Per Person: \$215.00 (The Seminar is five days. Materials are supplied in your cost).

LOCATION--UAH Campus: Roberts Hall, Room 328 (Third Floor).

Space is limited to the first 17 people. Reserve your space through a check made payable to the Humanities Center, UAH. This is a non-credit course and is used for individuals interested in learning basic photoshop. The platform is Macintosh® and prior experience is not necessary to participate in seminar. The instructor is university certified to teach you Adobe® Photoshop. If you have questions pertaining to Photoshop Seminar 1999, please contact Professor Keith Jones at the Department of Art & Art History on the campus of UAH telephone 890-6114.

-Juried Photography Contest--The Tennessee Valley Arts Center in Tusculumbia has announced its 27th annual photography competition, Photography 2000. Deadline for submitting slides is Nov. 19. for info on entry rules and fees, contact TN Valley Arts Center, 511 N Water St. Box 474, Tusculumbia, Al. 35674. 256-383-0533

-Classified Ads:

-For Sale: three enlargers: 35mm Steinhil, 35/120 Vivitar and a 4x5 Omega D with B&W or color heads (also does 35&120). All complete with one lens. Price negotiable. UAH Office UAH Lab (home) (256)890-5135 890-6238x358 (256)533-5352 Technology Hall, S-124 OB-358 307 Monte Sano Blvd.

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Wesley R. Swift, Jr. fax (256) 890-6575
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-For Sale--Fits Minolta Maxxum mount.

Sigma 500mm APO 7.2 Autofocus lens with Tiffen UV filter, built in hood, case, caps, cap keeper and strap. A couple of very minor scratches (paint only) on barrel. \$415.

Tamron 28-80mm Aspherical Autofocus 3.5-5.6 zoom lens for Minolta. Includes removable hood, Tiffen UV filter, Tiffen circular polarizer, and caps. \$120.

62mm circular polarizer. \$25

Doug Felton 830-2271 feltond@worldnet.att.net

Photo Web Sites

-HPS has an online gallery on which members can have pictures published. See Roberto Puon (puon@hiwaay.net) for details.

Editors Note:

-If you have a web site with your photos please let Carol Blue know so that our members can check it out.

The Huntsville Nature Photography

Society meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Charles Stone Agricultural Building on Cook Avenue at 7 PM. Their next program will be "Christmas in Mexico" by Robert and Mary Lou McNabb.

1999 Competition Topics

Month	Topic
November	Humorous
December	Best of the Year Competition
January 2000	Seasons

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Southerland's Specials of the Month

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Start your Christmas shopping at Southerland's with their November specials.

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