



February Program

Our thanks to Keith Jones for his program on expressive image making in Photography. His program showed how artists/photographers developed their personal styles through the ages. It was very informative in demonstrating his encouragement for people to develop their own unique photographic style rather than being cookie cutters.

February Competition Results

Our thanks to Farley Vaughn for his critiques of the "Family" competition. His choices were:

<u>Color Prints</u>	<u>B&W Prints</u>	<u>Slides</u>
1st Barry Jackson	Lisa Stuart	Barbara Staggs
2nd Pat Cole	Emily Saile	Emily Saile
3rd J. Solomon	Virginia Gilbert	Elsabe Webster
HM Barry Jackson	Barry Jackson	Elsabe Webster
HM Pat Cole		Alma Sanders
HM J. Soloman		

March Program Topic

We will have a "Show and Tell" for our next meeting. Everyone can bring four or five prints or slides. The prints don't have to be matted. Participants can say a few words about them or ask for a critique. Keith Jones will bring a list of rules for critiquing. This should be a great opportunity for some of the beginners to get some helpful advice if they want it. Also its a chance for members to show some of their work that might not fit into competition categories.

March Competition

The March competition topic is "Animals". Our judge will be photographer, Lew Campbell of Signature Photography Studios in Huntsville.
REMEMBER: POETRY EXCHANGE PHOTOS ARE DUE AT THE MARCH 22 MEETING.

Members News

-Patricia Engle Cole, was selected to exhibit her art photos in two juried competitions which are: "Twilight Moment" and "Reflection #1" during the 26th Annual 1999 Bi-State Juried Art Competition, Feb. 7-Mar. 20, 1999 presented by the Meridian Museum of Art, 628 25TH St., Meridian, Ms 39301. (Tuesday - Sunday 1 PM till 5 PM), 601-693-1501. "The Lady", "Popeye's

Friends Trashed" and "Forever" during the Tennessee Valley Art Association Juried Competition, "Photography '99", Mar. 7-Apr. 11, 1999, 511 N. Water St., Tusculumbia , AL. (1pm till 4pm, Mon. thru Fri. and Sun.), (256)383-0533).

-Barbara Staggs won second place in the Huntsville Times Travel Photo Contest with a photo from Arches National Park (although it was listed incorrectly in the paper as Dead Horse Point).
-Bill Haynes won third place with a photo of the Eiffel Tower at dusk.

Featured Photographer of the Month

Thank you to Don Aulds for presenting his excellent photographs. He showed color images ranging from New York City to the South West. Some of the photos were digitally printed. We could not tell these images from those done with a conventional printing process. March Featured Photographer is Fred Stevenson .

From The President

At our Board meeting on March 9 we will be discussing whether to add a new category to our competitions. With so many people joining the computer revolution we definitely need to address digital imagery. There are many options from including everything in the regular print category to creating a separate category for Creative Digital Imaging. This still leaves many questions. Where do we draw the line from straight digital printing, color enhancement, layering of images etc. to separate one category from the other? Or do we just ask that they be labeled "digital enhancement"? There are a few guidelines put out by some of the photographic societies but not anything solid or universal. We would like your input before the meeting. You can e-mail your thoughts to me or even "snail mail" but if you have an opinion we would like to hear from you now. Send all comments to Barbara Staggs at staggwh@ro.com or 14060 Monte Vedra Rd., Huntsville, Al. 35803 so that I receive them before the board meeting, March 9.

Results of 1999 Questionnaire

What kind of programs would you like HPS to offer?
"How to " tips from specialists-3; occasional "hands on" workshops-1; computer methods-1; new equipment-1; technical techniques-1; night photography-1; digital photography-2; judging proper slide exposure-1;



techniques-4; do's and don'ts-1; history-1; studio work-1; light meter usage-1; field trips-2; travel-1; developing techniques-1; composition techniques-1; special uses of the camera settings-1; tricks of the trade-1; money making opportunities-1; demonstrations from film representatives-2; photoshop tips-1; hand coloring-1; program by Chip Cooper-1

Would you like to see members work featured? Almost all said yes.

Are you using or interested in using a computer for photography? Yes-19; No-2

What subjects do you most enjoy photographing?

People-12; landscapes-19; nature-19; close-ups-9; action-sport-4; architecture-5; photo journalism-1; travel-1; still life-1; pets-1; underwater-1

Level of expertise: beginner-1; intermediate-10; advanced amateur-12; professional-3

Things of Interest

-April 23-24-Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, KY, presents a Nature Photography Weekend. Guest speaker is Annie Tiberio (Sierra Mag, N'I Wildlife, Audubon, etc.) Slide competition begins at noon Friday and film must be turned in NLT 4PM Saturday. Fri. and Sat. eve. programs. Preregistration \$25/person, On-site \$30. For more information contact Bret Smithley, Park Naturalist (606)528-4121(or see David or Carol Blue). For lodging call 1-800-325-0063. Mention Photography Weekend for a 15% lodging discount. NOTE: If you want to stay in lodge, you should make reservations ASAP since it will fill up.

-HAL Gallery Show-closing- All exhibit pictures should be removed during regular gallery hours on Monday, March 1st.

- SAFETY Recall-The US Consumer Product Safety Commission has issued a recall notice on Eastman Kodak Company AC adapters, model numbers 2534, 2457, MI2008 and M42008, manufactured by ELPAC Electronics Inc. for use with Kodak digital camera model numbers CD25, DC40, DC50 and DC120. When the connector plug of the AC adapter is not fully inserted in the camera, the batteries in the camera can leak acid and explode. Kodak will replace these adapters free of charge. For more information, contact Kodak toll-free at (888) 404-3711 between 8 a.m. and 12 a.m. EST 7 days a week or online at <http://www.kodak.com/go/acadapter>

-Thanks to "Alabama Live"-our organization is listed with a link to the HPS web page!

<http://community.al.com/cc/huntsvillephoto>

The Huntsville Nature Photography Society

meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Charles Stone Agricultural Building on Cook Avenue at 7PM. The March program will feature a slide show presented by Tom and Pat Cory (of Cory Photography) featuring images from Death Valley, Valley of Fire and other locations in Utah and Nevada. As a contrast, they will also show a short program on the Smokies to music.

1999 Competition Topics

Month	Topic
March	Animals
April	Open (any subject)
May	Buildings
June	Water
July	A Single Tree
August	Flowers
September	Open
October	Scenes of Huntsville
November	Humorous
December	Best of the Year Competition
January 2000	Seasons

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1999 Dues Reminder/Newsletter Notice

-The yearly dues of \$20 are due. See Roberto Puon for renewal or more info.

-HPS will send courtesy copies of the Leader to visitors for 3 months after their visit. HPS will extend this courtesy to former members for the first 3 months of the new membership year.

Newsletter Deadline--Deadline for articles/information to be included in the next issue of the Leader is 9 PM Tuesday after the 4th Monday of each month. Contact David or Carol Blue (below).



Southerlands Specials of the Month

Think Spring! Come to Sutherlands Photo for all your photographic needs.