

# In Focus

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# September Program- Principals of Portraits and Lighting by Erin Cobb

W.C. Fields once said "Anyone who hates children and animals can't be all bad". If you've ever tried to set up children for portraits, you'll probably agree with him. However, there's a photographer in town who turns this around. This month, Erin Cobb, of Erin Cobb Photography in Huntsville Alabama will be our guest speaker. Erin is an award winning professional specializing in portraits of newborns, babies, children and families. While most of us have struggled with setting up portraits or lighting groups, Erin will explain and show how to light portraits and will talk about her infant and child photography. In business for 9 years, her studio is located in the medical district. While starting as a self-taught photographer, she is a PPA Certified Professional Photographer and year away from a Master of Photographer degree. Her web-site http://erincobb.com/newsite/—shows her creativity and

approach to portraits in either a studio or natural setting.

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# **Sep 12 Program Meeting Location**

The September 12th meeting will be held at 2650 Leeman Ferry Rd, Huntsville, 35801



### From The President

Well we missed out on World Photography Day (August 19th) so let's be sure to participate in the Rick Sammon seminar coming up on September 24th. This should be very educational. This month I will be preparing for the Scott Kelby World-Wide Photo Walk on October 1st, I will be hosting a walk in downtown Huntsville in the late afternoon – please sign up – a link to it is on our website.

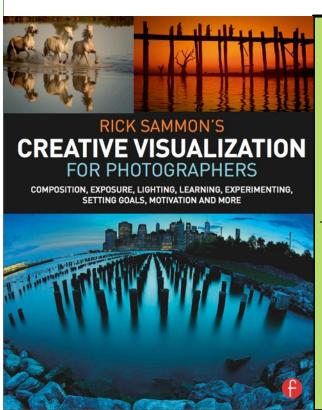
Patrick Oden really gave some great advice at our August contest. I was inspired to find my photo ethos! A challenge every good photographer must discover. Our contest this month is "The Night Sky" and digital images are due Sep 19<sup>th.</sup>

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Our September 12th meeting will be on "Portrait Photography" and held at: 2650 Leeman Ferry Rd, Huntsville, AL 35801

Keep shooting,

Cliff Loehr



## HPS Presents Canon Explorer of Light Rick Sammon

Save the Date: Sep 24, 2016, Chan Auditorium on UAH Campus

Time: 11:30-2:30, Free Event, however registration is limited to 300. Go to the following website to register:

http://www.hpsphoto.org/activities/event/rick-sammon?eID=97

Rick Sammon will share photographic techniques, digital darkroom tips, and discuss composition, seeing the light, playing with light, setting goals and staying motivated with your photography.

# **HPS Dues Payment Process**

### The process of paying annual HPS dues has changed:

- All dues payments will be made online through the HPS website at <a href="http://www.hpsphoto.org/about/about-us/membership">http://www.hpsphoto.org/about/about-us/membership</a>. (Or, from the HPS home page, click on "About" in the upper right corner, then click on "Membership" in the drop down menu.)
- Instead of dues being paid on a calendar-year basis, your membership will be active for one year after your payment is made. You will receive an email notice one month before the next year's dues need to be paid.
- So that there is no confusion, in the near future I will send an email to each member to let you know when your membership expires. It is actually very straightforward: those of you who paid your 2016 dues in 2015 are paid up <u>until January 1, 2017</u>. Those who paid after January 1, 2016 are good until one year after your payment was made.
- The cost of dues has not changed. Individual \$20 per year, Family \$30 per year, Student \$10 per year. There is no discount for early payment since we are no longer on a calendar year schedule. Hopefully this process will be easy and convenient for everyone. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me at samalexx1@gmail.com.

Sam Alexander HPS Treasurer

# **Art Night at Springhill Suites Downtown**

Artists can display and sell their art work for Art Night on Sep 29, 2016 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Please contact Paris Miland at <a href="mailto:Paris.Miland@marriot.com">Paris.Miland@marriot.com</a> or #256-713-1142 for more details. Participants must confirm by Sep 12.

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# August Competition Results Subject – Water's Edge Judge – Patrick Oden

	Color Digital (64)	Monochrome Digital (49)	Color Print (45)	Monochrome Print (22)
1st	Charles Gattis	Charles Gattis	Tom Hix	Charles Leverett
2nd	Wendell Colberg	Jim Spinosa	Joy Henderson	Diana Davidson
3rd	Martha Teal	David Blue	Nathan Robbins	Richard Potter
HM	Gail Patton	Margaret Todd	Joy Henderson	Doris Leverett
HM	James Anderson	Martha Teal	Pete Van Hoff	Barry Jackson
HM	Emily Saile	Martha Teal	Richard Potter	
HM	Ernie High	Ernie High	Doris Leverett	
HM	Liz Little	Waldy Cuevas	Don Wolfe	
HM	Alan Forney			

# First Place Images



Monochrome Print by Charles Leverett



Monochrome Digital by Charles Gattis



Color Print by Tom Hix



Color Digital by Charles Gattis

# September Judge- Joe Fikes

# A Word from the HPS Competition Officer, Charles Gattis-

Join us for Competition Night in September and bring your best shots of The Night Sky. Joe Fikes is scheduled to be our judge for the evening.

### 2017 COMPETITION TOPICS

This is also the time of year when club members submit topics for next year. If you have a topic suggestion, please email it to <a href="mailto:cfgattis@me.com">cfgattis@me.com</a>. I will put together a list of 20 topics to present to the board in October and they will finalize the list for 2017. January is already chosen – "Gone with the Wind," – so we will be selecting nine topics, including the topic for January, 2018. Two of the competitions will of course be "Open." I have a long list of old topics we haven't used, but would love to have several new, challenging subjects to present.

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Name	2016 Points	2016 Wins
Tom Hix	36	10
Henry Norton	32	10
Diana Davidson	29	9
Joy Henderson	26	9
Charles Leverett	25	10
Martha Teal	24	11
Charles Gattis	22	6
Nicole Harper	18	7
Barbara Montgomery	17	9
Henry Smith	17	6
Barry Jackson	14	8
David Blue	13	7
Dave Edens	13	5
Leta Hix	11	6
Bill Snoddy	11	3
Barbara Staggs	11	7
Sam Alexander	10	5
Kathy Seeds	10	4
Gayle Biggs	9	5
Waldy Cuevas	9	7
Doris Leverett	9	5
Wendell Coleberg	7	2
Virginia Gilbert	7	2
David Little	7	3
Liz Little	7	5
Emily Saile	7	5
Jim Spinosa	7	2
Pete Van Hoff	7	4
Carol Blue	6	2
Alan Forney	6	4
Daniel Little	6	6
Gail Patton	6	3

Name	2016 Points	2016 Wins
Nathan Robbins	6	2
Don Wolfe	6	3
James Burton	5	1
Rosemary Davidson	5	1
Trudi Gardner	5	1
Ernie High	5	3
Steve Mitchell	5	3
Richetta Wilkerson	5	1
Alan Montgomery	4	2
Richard Potter	4	2
Susi Stroud	4	1
John Kirwin	3	2
Tim Solomon	3	3
Nick Stanley	3	1
Sam Tumminello	3	3
Tom Bryant	2	2
Jerry Green	2	2
Margaret Phillips	2	2
Glen Romanczuk	2	2
Randy Stephens	2	2
James Anderson	1	1
Anna Bright	1	1
Dannye Drake	1	1
Bart Fay	1	1
Garth Fraser	1	1
Liz High	1	1
Barbara Hitt	1	1
Cliff Loehr	1	1
Richard Modlin	1	1
Eddie Sewall	1	1
Margaret Todd	1	1
Dorinda Tyler	1	1

# **3CT Fall Event**

The Lawrenceburg Photographic Society will host the 3CT Fall 2016 Event, Oct 28-30, with Davy Crockett State Park as the base for the weekend, and a nearby Amish community. Mike Pilkinton, President of the Lawrenceburg club is working with the park and other locations to make sure there is plenty to shoot and to do for those that are not photographers. On Friday there will be an opportunity to shoot at Milkyway Farms, the Native American Center, and there will be a music concert. Saturday and Sunday will both include sunrise shoots. See the 3CT newsletter for more info.

### **Introductory Photography Course**

### **New Members**

Stuart Clifton
Thomas Johnson
Elizabeth & James Hayes III
William Swindell
Laura Gregory

## **2016 Meeting Calendar**

Sep 12 – Principals of Portraits & Lighting with Erin Cobb Photography

Sep 26 - "The Night Sky" Competition Meeting

Oct 10 - Program TBA

Oct 24 - "Open" Competition Meeting

Oct 31 - Fifth Monday (Open Forum Night)

Nov 14 - 3D Stereography with Lee Pratt

Nov 28 - "Smoke" Competition Meeting

Dec 12 - Annual Best Of Year Dinner/Awards

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**Meeting Information:** HPS meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the Huntsville/Madison County Library - Main Branch, 915 Monroe St.

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