

October Program- Photoshop Layers

by *Henry Norton, HPS Program Officer*

This month the emphasis will be on Photoshop Blending Layers, what they are, what they do and techniques that will help you to get more out of Photoshop. Presented by Henry Norton, Apache Helicopter's Visual Information Specialist, this class will be partly lecture and demonstration on computer. So bring your laptop computers to this demo. Henry will also bring several sample pictures to demo so that others can work with his techniques. Starting with opening and processing the files in Adobe Camera Raw, then to showing several techniques with blending layers, finally finishing in NIK Color Effects. So come with questions and laptops for this informative presentation.



Henry Norton

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From The President

Last month's program on corporate photography and our contest on the night sky were great opportunities to pick up some new skills. This month's program on PhotoShop should add to these skills and our "Open" contest is a great opportunity to experiment. September also brought us some new members. Be sure to reach out and welcome them to our club.

October is here, the temperatures outside are bearable, so the hills should be alive with the sound of cameras! I have a photo walk on October 1st, and hope some others will be able to set up some other outside events.

Heads up, the APAC (Alabama Pre/Post Adoption Connections) is looking for some volunteer photographers for an event on November 19th.)

Keep shooting,

Cliff Loehr

Amateur Photographers Can Win Big in Share The Experience Contest

Amateur photographers – those who earn less than 20 percent of their yearly income from photography – have a chance to win the \$10,000 grand prize in the Share the Experience federal recreation lands photo contest (<http://bit.ly/2cftO8S>) and get your favorite national wildlife refuges on next year's American the Beautiful Interagency Pass. Photo entries are due by December 31. Entry guidelines are detailed (<http://bit.ly/2c5KJxY>) but this is a great chance to get a budding conservationist yet more interested in national wildlife refuges and federal lands .

Photo Opps for October

- **50th Annual TN Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention**, Oct 7-8, Athens State University, Athens, AL. The convention brings some 200 contestants to compete for prize money. There are 18 different categories including several fiddle and guitar categories, harmonica, mandolin, dulcimer, old time singing, and banjo. <http://www.athens.edu/fiddlers/>
- **Cullman Oktoberfest**, Oct 6-9, Cullman County Museum, no admission fee. Four days of German heritage, including German food, costumes and music with multiple stage events, a car show featuring classic German cars, historical tours, and much more. <http://www.cullmanoktoberfest.com>
- **Alabama Renaissance Faire**, Oct 22-23, Wilson Park, Florence, AL. Voted one of the top 20 events in the Southeast during October, The AL Renaissance transforms Wilson Park into Fountain-on-the-Green for an entire weekend. It is common to find pirates, fairies, trolls, maidens, and kings roaming the park. <http://www.alrenfaire.org>

HPS Mini-class

HPS member Rick Kress is teaching a mini-class before the Program meeting on Oct 10th. Topics include the mechanics of how an image is formed, differences between image formats (jpg, bmp, raw), what is actually in an image file, images size vs. resolution, compression, etc. He would like to have questions ahead of time. If you have questions about these topics, please send them to Rick at rgkress@knology.net.

September Competition Results
Subject – Night Sky
Judge – Joe Fikes

	Color Digital (23)	Monochrome Digital (14)	Color Print (16)	Monochrome Print (12)
1st	Don Wolfe	Joy Henderson	Margaret Phillips	Margaret Phillips
2nd	Margaret Phillips	Waldy Cuevas	Diana Davidson	Joy Henderson
3rd	Diana Davidson	Tom Bryant	Diana Davidson	Rosemary Davidson
HM	Diana Davidson	Virginia Gilbert	Tom Bryant	Alan Forney
HM	Thomas Johnson	Martha Teal	Barbara Staggs	Henry Norton

First Place Images



Monochrome Print
by Margaret Phillips

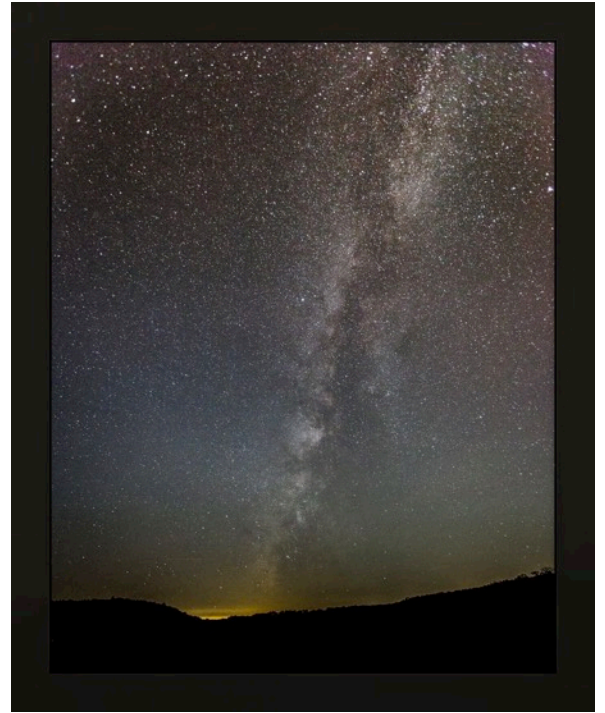
Monochrome Digital by
Joy Henderson





Color Print by
Margaret Phillips

Color Digital by
Don Wolfe



October Judge- Art Bond

A Word from the HPS Competition Officer, Charles Gattis-

Art Bond will be our judge for the October Competition at the Huntsville Public Library. This is an open competition, meaning we have no specific topic, so bring your best images of anything you choose.

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 cfgattis@me.com. 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.

Name	2016 Points	2016 Wins
Diana Davidson	40	13
Tom Hix	36	10
Joy Henderson	35	11
Henry Norton	33	11
Charles Leverett	25	10
Martha Teal	25	12
Charles Gattis	22	6
Nicole Harper	18	7
Barbara Montgomery	17	9
Henry Smith	17	6
Margaret Phillips	16	5
Barry Jackson	14	8
David Blue	13	7
Waldy Cuevas	13	8
Dave Edens	13	5
Barbara Staggs	12	8
Leta Hix	11	6
Bill Snoddy	11	3
Don Wolfe	11	4
Sam Alexander	10	5
Kathy Seeds	10	4
Gayle Biggs	9	5
Doris Leverett	9	5
Rosemary Davidson	8	2
Virginia Gilbert	8	3
Wendell Coleberg	7	2
Alan Forney	7	5
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

Name	2016 Points	2016 Wins
Tom Bryant	6	4
Daniel Little	6	6
Gail Patton	6	3
Nathan Robbins	6	2
James Burton	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
Jerry Green	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
Thomas Johnson	1	1
Cliff Loehr	1	1
Richard Modlin	1	1
Eddie Sewall	1	1
Margaret Todd	1	1
Dorinda Tyler	1	1

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 <http://www.hpsphoto.org/about/about-us/membership>. (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.
- 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 samalex1@gmail.com.

Sam Alexander, HPS Treasurer

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.

New Members

Norm Harris
Justine Simon
Laura Schiermeyer
Jennifer Rogers
Jake Rogers

2016 Meeting Calendar

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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