



In Focus

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February Program- Visit to Rocket City Photo at Lowe Mill *with Eric Schultz*

This month—a bit out of our comfort zone—we'll visit Eric Schultz at his studio in Lowe Mill, 1122 Seminole Dr #2018, instead of meeting at the Library. The meeting will be on our normal second Monday, Feb 13.

Eric was a staff photographer for the Huntsville Times from 1998 to 2012 and later was a photographer/videographer for Alabama Media Group until 2015. Today he's the owner of Rocket City Photo and has agreed to show us his studio and talk about Black & White photography, working with film, developing, and printing. Eric has constructed a dark room, which can be rented by the hour or longer periods, with several enlargers and an extra-large sink to develop photos or film. His studio is located on the 2nd floor of Lowe Mill and we'll have several people helping to show the way.

Eric has judged several HPS competitions over the years. Come out and see his latest work as well as discuss his thoughts about the business and classes available at his studio. Check him out on Facebook, search for Rocket City Photo.

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See page 3 for more info about HMA exhibit. Submissions are now being accepted at <http://www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org/contest>



From The President

The Camera Club Council of Tennessee (3CT) invited me to attend a board meeting up in Franklin, TN. It was nice to see how other photo groups operate and to learn a few things. Our (HPS) board met last week and identified several areas where we could make better use of our website. One of these ideas has already been implemented which allow members to submit events and local-area photographic opportunities for consideration to our calendar. The new form is under the menu "Activities > Calendar"

(<http://www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org/activities/event>).

Super important this month is the deadline for submitting images to the HMA exhibit - February 20th at midnight. Each member can submit up to 5 images and will be responsible to print and mat your images if selected to show at the museum.

Please remember the topic for this showcase is "Huntsville" .

Keep Shooting,
Cliff Loehr

February Judge - José Betancourt

José is an Associate Professor of Art, who teaches photography at the university of Alabama, Huntsville. He holds a BA degree in Photography from the University of South Florida and an MFA in Photography from Hunter College, City University of New York City. Currently, he teaches class in Introduction to Photography, Experimental and Historical Photography, and Documentary Photography. He was awarded the Somerville Art Prize in 1999 in New York City and was a Grand Panelist in 2004 with the New Department of Cultural Affairs. In 1995, he was awarded the Nisod Award of Teaching Excellence by the University of Texas at Austin. In recent years, his art has been exhibited at the Motlow St. Community College (2006) – "Photography Landscapes" II and the University Art Gallery, Sewanee:



University of the South, "Half-Seen II. Both were solo exhibitions. You can find examples of his work at <http://josebetancourt.com/>.

José will be our judge for the upcoming competition night on February 27, 2017 for the subject, "Glow in the Dark."

HPS 2017 Huntsville Museum of Art (HMA) Exhibition

The HMA exhibition gallery is open for submissions! Check out our website's contest page to submit your images and our on-line calendar for dates and additional info.

IMPORTANT DATES:

2/20/2017 - Image submission ends

3/13/2017 - Announce gallery picks

5/1/2017 - Mount/Frame images

5/8/2017 - Prints delivered to HMA for setup

5/14/2017- Gallery opens to the public

5/18/2017 - HPS/Open House

New Members

Chuck and Andrea Chamberlin

Benjamin Staples

David Johnson

Michael and Heidi Mcguigan

Update on Membership Dues

It is highly recommended that you pay dues online through the HPS website. Dues are good for one full year from the date of payment. You will receive an email notice one month before the next year's dues need to be paid.

The online payment feature uses the PayPal's "subscription" service. This service will auto-renew your membership each year and keep your membership active. If you desire to change this to a single year (without automatic renewal), you can do so on PayPal's website.

If for any reason you cannot or do not wish to pay online, you should mail a check payable to Huntsville Photographic Society to the following address:

Sam Alexander, HPS treasurer

112 Appleton Lane

Madison, AL 35756

Alternatively, you can give your payment to the treasurer or to any other board member at an HPS meeting.

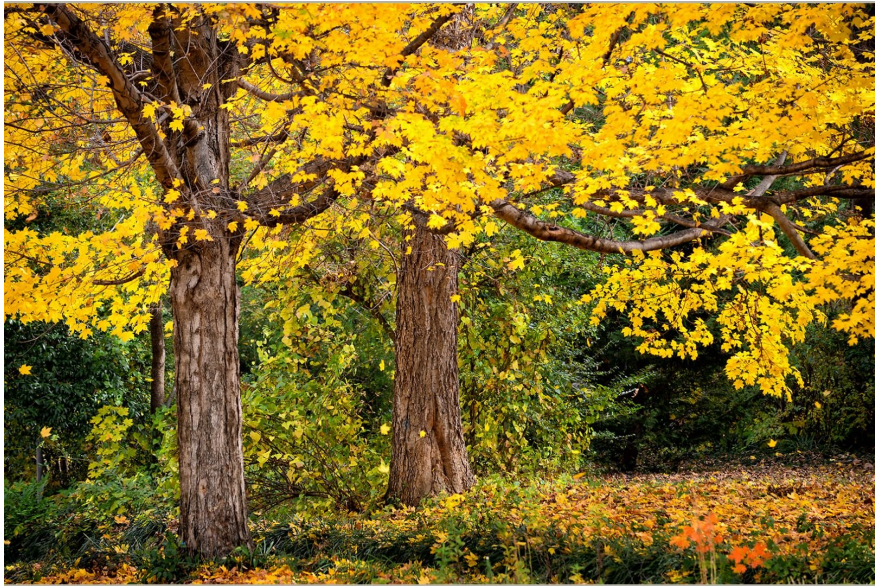
January Competition Results
Subject- Gone With The Wind
Judge – Muril Robertson

	Color Digital (26)	Monochrome Digital (23)	Color Print (23)	Monochrome Print (15)
1st	Sam Tumminello	David Blue	Henry Norton	Charles Leverett
2nd	Dorinda Tyler	Martha Teal	Barbara Staggs	Charles Leverett
3rd	Barbara Montgomery	Cliff Loehr	Henry Smith	Henry Norton
HM	James Anderson	Barbara Montgomery	Henry Norton	Barry Jackson
HM	David Blue	Sam Tumminello	Tom Bryant	Doris Leverett
HM	Martha Teal			
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Monochrome Print 1st place by Charles Leverett

Name	2017 points	2017 wins
Charles Leverett	9	2
Henry Norton	9	3
David Blue	6	2
Sam Tumminello	6	2
Martha Teal	5	2
Barb Montgomery	4	2
Barbara Staggs	4	1
Dorinda Tyler	4	1
Cliff Loehr	3	1
Henry Smith	3	1
James Anderson	1	1
Tom Bryant	1	1
Barry Jackson	1	1
Doris Leverett	1	1



Color Digital 1st Place by
Sam Tumminello



Color Digital 2nd Place
by Dorinda Tyler



Color Digital 3rd Place
by Barb Montgomery



Color Print 1st place by Henry Norton



Monochrome Digital 3rd place by Cliff Loehr



Monochrome Digital 2nd place by Martha Teal

Shapes, Lines, and the Abstract in Photography

by *Friedrich Schlich*

I've lost count of how many workshops I've attended that were led by Tony Rizzuto and Tim Cooper. All have been great. This past fall I was part of a workshop in Victoria, British Columbia, sponsored by their collaboration called Photographer's Breakthrough. As many of you are aware of Tony and Tim, it's easy for you to imagine the excellent results of a combination of photogenic Victoria and these two instructors. Daily sessions ranged from street photography, architectural subjects both classical and modern, harbor scenes, and of course a couple of days at Butchart Gardens. My focus on photography is illustrating the border between literal and abstract, the point at which the recognizable becomes shape, line



and color. Tony and Tim were great at helping me along with other artists ranging from those documenting reality to others whose images are purely emotion.

To check out images from the workshop go to www.photographersbreakthrough.com

2017 Meeting Calendar

Feb 13 – Tour of Eric Schultz photography Studio at Lowe Mill
Feb 27 – “Glow In The Dark” Competition Meeting
Mar 13 - Program TBA
Mar 27 - “Open” Competition Meeting
Apr 10 - Program TBA
Apr 24 - “Beautiful Blur” Competition Meeting
May 8 - Program TBA
May 22 – “Rivers” Competition Meeting
May 29 – Fifth Monday (Open Forum Night)
Jun 12 - Program TBA
Jun 26 - “Made In The USA” Competition Meeting
July 10 - Program TBA
July 24 - “Broken” Competition Meeting
July 31 – Fifth Monday (Open Forum Night)
Aug 14 - Program TBA
Aug 28 - “Rural America” Competition Meeting
Sep 11 – Program TBA
Sep 25 - “Mystery” Competition Meeting
Oct 9 - Program TBA
Oct 23 - “Open” Competition Meeting
Oct 30 - Fifth Monday (Open Forum Night)
Nov 13 - Program TBA
Nov 27 - “Cabins” Competition Meeting
Dec 11 - Annual Best Of Year Dinner/Awards



Photos by Friedrich Schlich



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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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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/399566463394251/> (closed group)