



# In Focus

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## May Program- Photoshop tips and more by Henry Norton

The May Program will be a grab bag of several topics. Presented by Henry Norton, he will touch on 3 topics- packing for summer's trips- showing different bags for protection and storage, Photoshop layers & blending modes, and finally a few Photoshop tricks.

With airlines changing their boarding procedures, protecting and carrying your valuable investment has become more of a challenge. So before the summer trip season starts to heat up we'll spend a few minutes going over bag design, looking at portability, protection and cost.

The main body of this presentation will review the subject which was presented last year- Photoshop blending modes along with a couple of tricks to make your editing easier. Bring your computer loaded with PS CS 5 or later and come play along with this presentation. Come early and download some working files. If you do not own PS, you can download a trial version for 30 days at

<https://creative.adobe.com/products/download/photoshop?promoid=61PM825Y&mv=other>.

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## From The President

April's Judge (Pamela Sue Keller) was super informative and helpful while judging Beautiful Blur. I have never had my pictures rejected from a contest so politely! She also agreed to do a workshop on critiquing our own work over in her classroom (in Decatur). This will be a fun field trip. Stay tuned for more information on this.

Our first official meetup had a pretty low turnout but was fun. If you have an idea for a good photo walk please join the [meetup.com](http://meetup.com) group (Huntsville-Photography-Group) and make a suggestion. May's events are all on our website – looks like an exciting month!

I hope you all have a great month and take lots of pictures.

Keep Shooting,

*Cliff Loehr*

### HPS Exhibit at HMA

- *Exhibit Opens May 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.*
- *Opening Reception at the Art Museum on Thursday, May 18, 5:30-7:30. Please invite family and friends!*
- <http://www.huntsvillephotographic-society.org/activities/event/hma-open-house-reception-2-2-2-2?eID=113> (may need to cut/paste into browser)

## Member News

Two of our HPS members have been in ill health. Please keep Daniel Little and Barry Jackson in your thoughts and prayers as they both recover. If you would like to send a personal note, contact Sam Tumminello.

## May Judge-Patrick Oden



Patrick Oden returns to judge the May Competition, "Rivers", on May 22. Most

members are familiar with Patrick, however, if you are interested in looking at his work, his website is

<http://www.patrickodenphotography.com/>

### New Members

Jamie Williams  
Ron Clayton

### Photography 201- Going From Snapshots to Great Shots

If there is adequate interest, HPS member Henry Smith, will teach his Photography 201 course again this summer at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Airport Rd. Starting in late May and running on Wednesday evenings (6 – 8 PM) for six weeks Henry will teach the course geared for those new to photography and wanting to improve their skills. You need to know how to make basic adjustments (aperture and shutter speed) on your camera, download images to your computer and email those images. This is not an "audit" course, you will be given lessons and demonstrations each week, then a simple photo assignment which you will complete and email to Henry that will be positively critiqued the following week. Seeing what others have done with that same assignment each week provides a great learning experience.

The course size will be limited to 20, and there will be some non-HPS attendees. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Henry directly at [henrytsmith44@gmail.com](mailto:henrytsmith44@gmail.com).

## ***HPS Exhibition Space at the VBC by Tom Bryant***

In order for an HPS member to graduate to the Master of Photography level they must have a public exhibition of six pieces displayed for minimum of five days. Members progress up in various levels by earning points during our monthly, judged competitions but must also have a public exhibition. Arts Huntsville lets us use some of this space for an exhibit. We have space coming open in the gallery. Contact Tom Bryant, [ctbryant@hiwaay.net](mailto:ctbryant@hiwaay.net), if you are interested in exhibiting. Priority is given to members who have achieved the rank of Gold Star Fellow, but anyone who has achieved Fellow can exhibit.

### **Frames for Exhibiting**

A few years ago HPS bought six sectional frames in 16" x 20" size with Plexiglas glazing to assist with the exhibit. These frames were contained in a cardboard box with separators and it has a rope carrying handle. The frames are now missing. If you know where they might be, contact Tom Bryant, [ctbryant@hiwaay.net](mailto:ctbryant@hiwaay.net).

### **For Sale**

Nikon 80-400mm f4.5-f5.6 D ED VR AF for \$650.00  
Vello Free Wave Plus wireless remote shutter release for Nikon \$25.00  
Vello Auto Extension Set for Nikon \$40.00  
RPS backdrop Stand \$50.00  
Photoflex Multidome 70" softbox \$100.00 (no speed ring)  
Heavy duty Boom \$50.00

Contact Tricia Hyde at 256-653-2548 or [pthyde@bellsouth.net](mailto:pthyde@bellsouth.net)

Name	2017 points	2017 wins
Henry Norton	25	9
Margaret Phillips	23	9
Barbara Montgomery	21	8
Charles Leverett	14	5
Martha Teal	14	4
Nicole Harper	12	3
Sam Tumminello	11	5
Ron Atchley	9	6
Barbara Staggs	9	3
James Williams	9	2
Sam Alexander	8	2
David Blue	7	3
Pete Van Hoff	7	4
James Anderson	6	3
Gayle Biggs	6	2
Joy Henderson	6	2
Tim Solomon	6	2
Dave Edens	5	1
Barry Jackson	5	3
Nathan Robbins	5	1
Dorinda Tyler	5	2
Virginia Gilbert	4	2
Luis Lebron	4	2
Tom Bryant	3	3
Rosemary Davidson	3	1
Doris Leverett	3	3
Cliff Loehr	3	1
Henry Smith	3	1
Diana Davidson	2	2
Liz Smith	2	2
Anna Bright	1	1
Jerry Green	1	1
Thomas Johnson	1	1
John Kirwin	1	1
Alan Montgomery	1	1

## HPS Supports Students

The Huntsville Photographic Society recently donated one hundred dollars to support the student awards program for the photography program at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. HPS is happy to encourage students in the Art and Science of photography.

José A. Betancourt, Associate Professor of Art and Art History said, "Many thanks for your HPS photo award! I appreciate your generous support."

### 2017 Meeting Calendar

- May 8 – Photoshop tricks by Henry Norton
- 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



**April Competition Results**  
**Subject- Beautiful Blur**  
**Judge – Pamela Keller**

	Color Digital (48)	Monochrome Digital (35)	Color Print (29)	Monochrome Print (20)
<b>1st</b>	Barbara Montgomery	Martha Teal	Nicole Harper	James Williams
<b>2nd</b>	Peter Van Hoff	Margaret Phillips	Barbara Staggs	James Williams
<b>3rd</b>	Sam Tumminello	Margaret Phillips	Rosemary Davidson	Nicole Harper
<b>HM</b>	Ron Atchley	Barbara Montgomery	Henry Norton	Charles Leverett
<b>HM</b>	Alan Montgomery	Sam Tumminello	Doris Leverett	Luis Lebron
<b>HM</b>	Ron Atchley	Diana Davidson	Doris Leverett	
<b>HM</b>	Peter Van Hoff	Dorinda Tyler		
<b>HM</b>	Margaret Phillips			



Color Digital 1st Place  
 by Barb Montgomery



Color Digital 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
 by Peter Van Hoff



Color Digital 3rd place by Sam Tumminello



Monochrome Digital 1<sup>st</sup> place by Martha Teal



Monochrome Digital 2nd place by Margaret Phillips





Monochrome Digital 3rd place  
by Margaret Phillips

Monochrome Print 1st  
place by Jim Williams

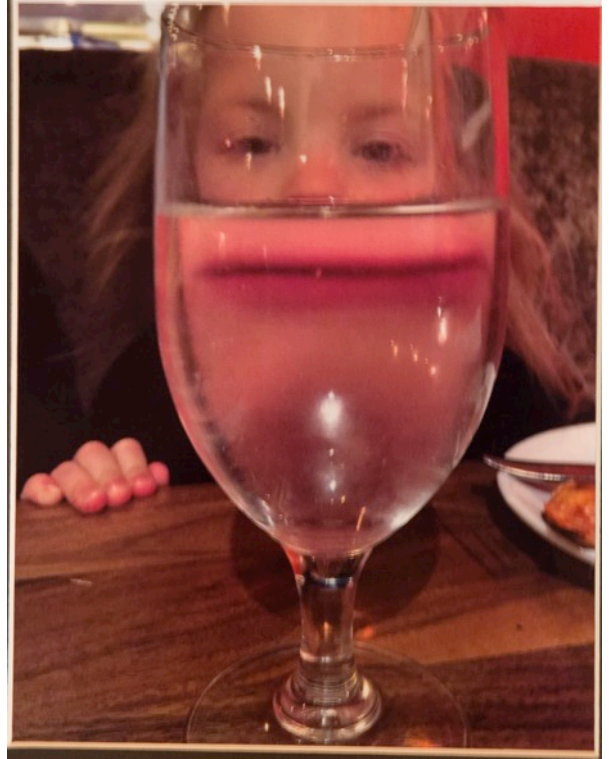


Monochrome Print 2<sup>nd</sup> place by  
Jim Williams

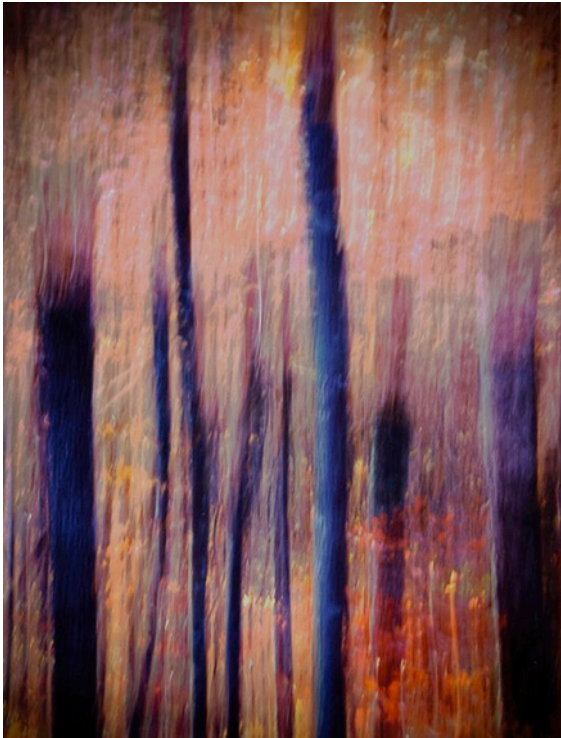




Monochrome Print 3rd place by  
Nicole Harper



Color Print 1<sup>st</sup> place by Nicole Harper



Color Print 2<sup>nd</sup> place by Barb Staggs

Color Print 3<sup>rd</sup> place by  
Rosemary Davidson



## Help Record Huntsville's History!

John Rankin, a volunteer at the Huntsville Madison County Library (where we meet), is seeking volunteers to assist in photocopying historic paper documents located in the archives in the library.

There are two possible parts one could assist:

1. The scan project – to copy the available documents. (John uses a small camera and available light.) Volunteers could do this at their convenience – usually in the afternoon hours on the third floor of the library.
2. He needs volunteers, and this is done at home, to view on-line, already scanned documents and enter basic information into an established Excel spread sheet as part of a searchable database of the items.

If interested please contact John Rankin in the afternoon at the library 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor call (256) 532-5940, or email Sam Tumminello at [samjt3@yahoo.com](mailto:samjt3@yahoo.com)



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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)