



# In Focus

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## November Program- Intro to Basic Portrait Lighting and Studio Concepts *by Henry Norton & Nathan Robbins*

This month's program is about demystifying the gear, lighting concepts and theory that keeps many photographers from using off camera lighting sources to take their photography to the next level. Intro to Basic Portrait Lighting and Studios Concepts will be presented by Nathan Robbins and Henry Norton and feature model Sydney from Professional Agency of Models and Actors (PAMA). The program will cover the different types of lighting sources from natural light to studio strobes, basic lighting theory, and lighting styles. During the presentation Nathan and Henry will be using the gear and applying many of the theories, concepts, and techniques from the presentation in a live portrait shoot with Sydney. This presentation will show that with a minimal amount of equipment and a good working knowledge of lighting gear and concepts it is possible to create amazing images.

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## Share Your Knowledge

By Rosemary Davidson, Library Liaison

Thank you to those who signed up to help the club fulfill it's agreement to offer classes and services for the Library. We still need several more volunteers, and I hope you will consider offering your knowledge, talents and skills. Please let me know if you are willing to help with classes for youth or adults.

Email me at [rosemary.davidson@gmail.com](mailto:rosemary.davidson@gmail.com) or call 256-698-5579



## From The President

I attended the 3CT fall event in Cookville, Tennessee, last month. We went on two different water fall hikes, attended an architecture workshop and took a ton of pictures. It was exactly what I needed to re-energize my passion for photography.

I'm also very impressed with our submissions for the October contest! Eric's comments were on point and, as always, a great opportunity to learn.

Don't forget our short business meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup>, where we will be voting on our 2018 board officers and some changes to our Bylaws.

Keep Shooting,

*Cliff Loehr*

## Camp Trailer Request For Sparkman Photography Program

Eric Mittman, the Program Director, is looking for an old hard side camper trailer - nothing fancy and nothing big. (under 1500 lbs). They would like to turn it into a traveling darkroom to take the Sparkman HS photo program on the road to some of the local elementary and middle schools that don't have access to a photo program or class. The plan is to have Sparkman students come along and offer cool introductions to pinhole photography and the joys of making a traditional black and white print. Donation is preferred – it can be a tax deduction but if looking to sell, then they can see how much they have in their activity account and try to work something out.

Contact Eric at:

Eric Mittman  
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## Great Dragonfly Shootout

This is a report for those not able to attend the October 9th meeting where we had an informal members-choice competition of prints from the Great Dragonfly Shootout at the Leverett's house in August.

There was a tie for first place – Liz High & Joy Henderson. Third place was Sam Alexander. In addition to much praise and honor, each winner also received a beautiful certificate suitable for framing.



*Photo by Joy Henderson*



*Liz with her 1<sup>st</sup> place image*

Liz also received several mentions from the audience of her photo of three old coots running to get out of the rain. No photos of women were entered because the rules clearly disallowed the entry of a damsel fly photo.



*Photo by Sam Alexander*

## Class For New HPS Members (or long-time members who need a refresher)

A class for new members or older members who just need a refresher course on the purpose of HPS along with the requirements for competition, will be held on Nov 13, at 6 p.m. The class will last approximately 45 minutes and will be finished in time for the program meeting. Charles Gattis will discuss the purpose of HPS, review the opportunities provided by the society, and go over the requirements for competition. The class would also be helpful for persons interested in joining HPS.

## November Judge: Dennis Keim



November 27, at 7 p.m. is the next competition evening for HPS. Our topic for the evening is “Cabins,” and Dennis Keim, a professional photographer living in Huntsville will be our judge. Dennis’ biography, located on his web site reads as follows:

*Dennis Keim is a nationally recognized Corporate and Editorial photographer based in Huntsville, Alabama. Dennis has over 25 years of professional experience producing creative imagery for ad agencies, corporations and trade organizations. Dennis was a career aerospace and underwater photojournalist with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) at the Marshall Space Flight Center located in Huntsville. After leaving NASA in 2000, Dennis opened dK-Studio ([www.dk-studio.com](http://www.dk-studio.com)) and began a full time commercial operation in Huntsville, Al. specializing in advertising, industrial, corporate, bio-medical and stock photography. His work is published in many local, regional and national publications, as well as, featured in Fortune 500 company annual reports. The Huntsville based dK-studio maintains a web-based selection of lifestyle and travel stock photography.*

*Dennis is best known for his team philosophy, his creative thought processes and his astute ability to understand and translate the clients’ vision into an effective photograph or campaign.*

*Dennis’ personal passion for photography led him to pursue creative outlets in the fine art community. Since beginning the journey in the 1995, Dennis has become an internationally recognized and published fine arts photographer conducting workshops throughout the country. Dennis craft has been showcased on most major fine arts web sites, as well as, published in several national and international publications. He has participated in numerous one-man and group gallery art exhibitions.*

*Dennis is a professional member, in good standing, of ASMP ([www.asmp.org](http://www.asmp.org)) and the NPPA ([www.nppa.org](http://www.nppa.org)). In addition, Dennis, has previously served on the board of directors of two non-profit organizations; the AIDS Action Coalition and the Land Trust of Huntsville and North Alabama. Dennis currently serves on the board of directors of the Microwave Dave Music Education Foundation.*

If you want to see some of Denis’ work, you can find his galleries at <http://www.dk-studio.com>. Please join us that evening for a fun and educational experience.

Name	2017 points	2017 wins
Henry Norton	61	20
Ron Atchley	48	18
Margaret Phillips	33	14
Charles Leverett	32	12
Joy Henderson	31	10
John Shriver	28	8
Barbara Montgomery	22	9
Martha Teal	22	10
Doris Leverett	19	10
Barbara Staggs	18	10
Sam Alexander	17	6
Sam Tumminello	17	11
Henry Smith	16	4
Rosemary Davidson	15	5
Dave Edens	15	4
James Anderson	14	6
Alan Forney	14	4
Pete Van Hoff	14	8
Nicole Harper	12	3
Jeanne McDowell	12	5
Gayle Biggs	11	3
David Blue	10	4
Virginia Gilbert	10	4
John Kirwin	10	3
Nathan Robbins	10	2
James Williams	10	3
Liz High	8	4
Tom Bryant	7	7
Charles Gattis	7	4
Tim Solomon	6	2
Jim Spinosa	6	3
Barry Jackson	5	3
Luis Lebron	5	3
Dorinda Tyler	5	2
Gail Patton	4	1
Bess Wills	4	1
Carol Blue	3	1
Malen Colberg	3	1
Cliff Loehr	3	1
Richard Potter	3	1

Name	2017 points	2017 wins
Emily Saile	3	3
Eddie Sewall	3	3
Diana Davidson	2	2
Ernie High	2	2
Liz Smith	2	2
Brian Boardman	2	2
Anna Bright	1	1
Jerry Green	1	1
Thomas Johnson	1	1
Steve Mitchell	1	1
Alan Montgomery	1	1
Jeff Smith	1	1
Bill Snoddy	1	1
Susi Stroud	1	1
Judy Fleming	1	1



HPS is now on Meetup! Join the group at <https://www.meetup.com/Huntsville-Photography-Group/>

Anyone with the love of photography and a desire to shoot more is welcome to join, to learn and share from each other.

### **2017 Meeting Calendar**

Nov 13 - Lighting by Henry Norton (Library Auditorium)

Nov 27 - "Cabins" Competition Meeting (Library Auditorium)

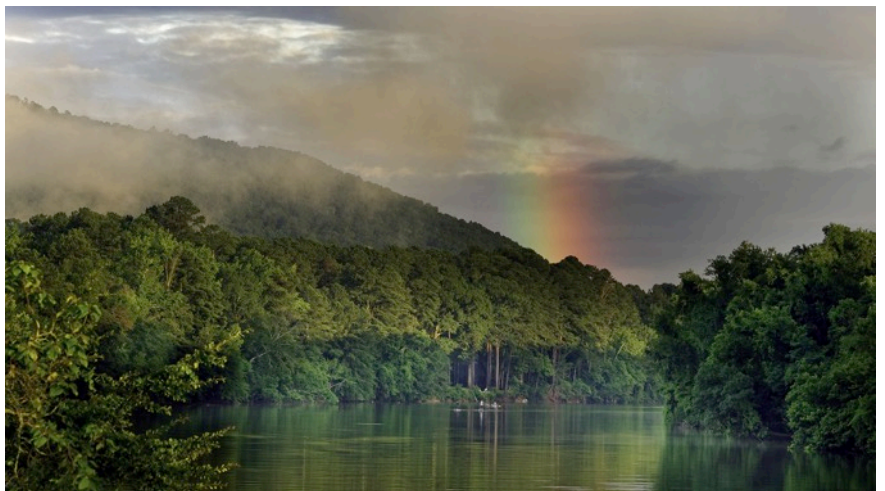
Dec 11 - Annual Best Of Year Dinner/Awards (Faith Presbyterian, 5003 Whitesburg Dr SE)

**October Competition Results**  
**Subject- Open**  
**Judge – Eric Mittman**

	Color Digital (53)	Monochrome Digital (46)	Color Print (28)	Monochrome Print (22)
<b>1st</b>	John Kirwin	Gayle Biggs	Charles Leverett	Ron Atchley
<b>2nd</b>	Jim Spinoso	John Kirwin	Henry Norton	Ron Atchley
<b>3rd</b>	Malen Colberg	David Blue	Henry Norton	Doris Leverett
<b>HM</b>	Judy Fleming	Martha Teal	Rosemary Davidson	Sam Alexander
<b>HM</b>	Sam Tumminello	Susi Stroud	Jeanne McDowell	Charles Leverett
<b>HM</b>	Barbara Staggs	Ernie High	Tom Bryant	
<b>HM</b>	Emile Saile	John Shriver		
<b>HM</b>	Ernie High	John Shriver		
<b>HM</b>	Brian Boardman			



Color Digital 1st Place  
 by John Kirwin



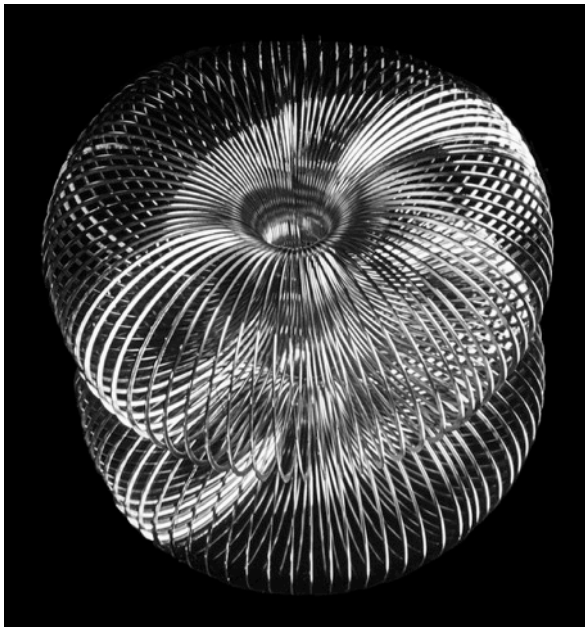
Color Digital 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
 by Jim Spinoso



Color Digital 3rd place by  
Malen Colberg



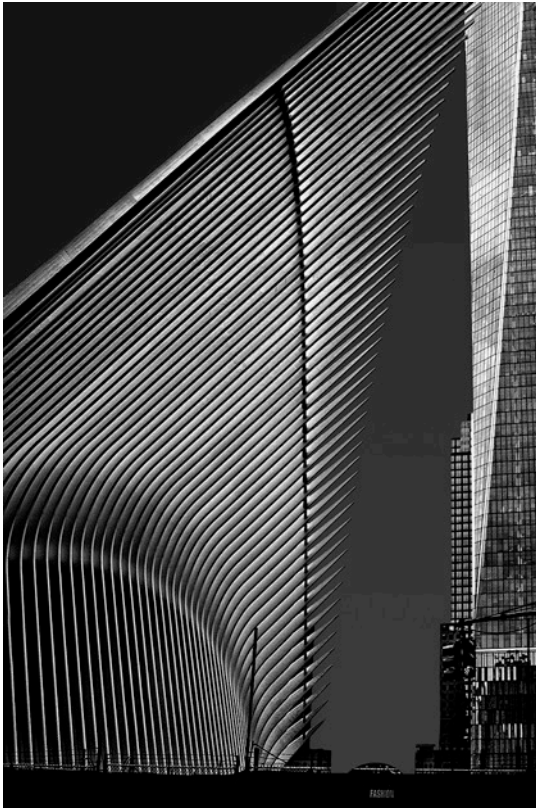
Monochrome Digital 1<sup>st</sup>  
place by Gayle Biggs



Monochrome Digital 3rd  
place by David Blue



Monochrome Digital 2nd  
place by John Kirwin



Monochrome Print 2<sup>nd</sup> place by Ron Atchley



Monochrome Print 1st place by Ron Atchley



Monochrome Print 3rd place by Doris Leverett



Monochrome Print HM by Sam Alexander



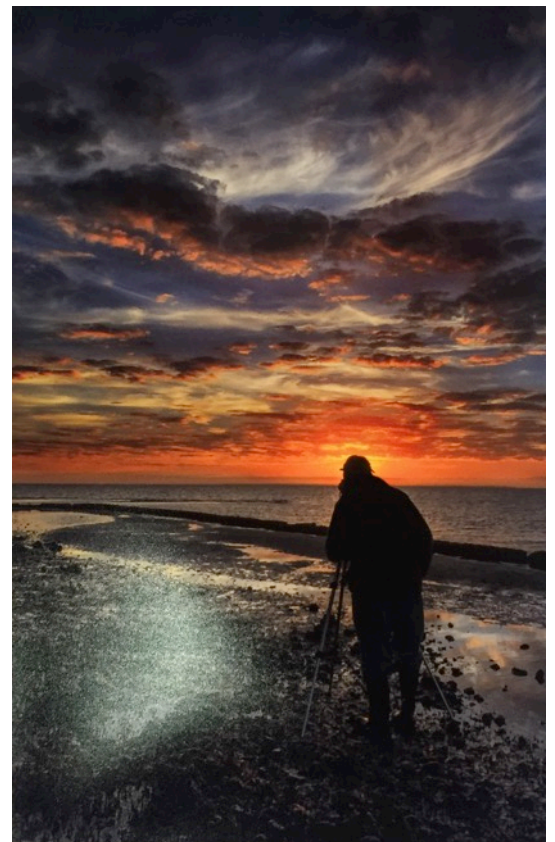
Monochrome Print HM by  
Charles Leverett



Color Print 1<sup>st</sup> place by  
Charles Leverett



Color Print 3<sup>rd</sup> place by  
Henry Norton



Color Print 2<sup>nd</sup> place by  
Henry Norton



Color Print HM by Rosemary Davidson



Color Print HM by Jeanne McDowell



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### 2017 Officers of Huntsville Photographic Society

President	Cliff Loehr
Primary Competition Officer	Charles Gattis
Digital Competition Officer	Eddie Sewall
Competition Records Officer	Margaret Phillips
Program Officer	Henry Norton
Activities Officer	Bob Gower
Publicity Officer	Sam Tumminello
Treasurer	Sam Alexander
Communications Officer	Geri Reddy
Historian	James Burton II
PSA Representative	Lee Pratt
Webmaster	Luis Lebron

**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.

**Website:** [www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org](http://www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/399566463394251/> (closed group)