

### January Program

Virginia Gilbert presented a program on the Photography and Poetry Project . HPS members had sent photos to members of the Alabama Poetry Society who in turn wrote poems inspired by the photographs. The photos and poems were displayed at the meeting. Several Huntsville poets read their own work. Virginia also distributed poems to HPS members for the next phase of the project. The members will use these poems as an inspiration for a photograph. Remember: THESE PHOTOGRAPHS ARE DUE AT THE MARCH 22 MEETING. Virginia may have a few more poems to distribute. She will bring them and copies of the orginal group of poems to the next meeting in February.

### **January Competition Results**

Our thanks to Muril Robertson for sharing his photographs with us and for his critiques of the "Odd Angles" competition. His favorites were:

	Color Prints	B&W Prints	<u>Slides</u>
1st	David Blue	Barry Jackson	Alma Sanders
2nd	Barry Jackson	Elsabe Webster	Emily Saile
	& Peter Grant		•
3rd	Barry Jackson	Pat Garner	Barb. Staggs
HM	Lisa Stuart	Emily Saile	Elsabe Webster
HM	Barb. Staggs	Fred Stevenson	Alma Sanders
	Peter Grant		

### February Competition

The judge for the February competion, "Family", will be Farley Vaughn, a well respected wedding and portrait photographer in Huntsville.

### February Meeting Topic

Keith Jones will speak for the Feb. meeting. The topic will be expressive image making in Photography.

#### Members News

-Congratulations Elsabe Webster. She has been invited to hang 4 of her large Canyon pictures in the "Art of the Southwest" Exhibition at Mable House, 5239 Floyd Rd., Mableton, GA. The exhibition will open on January 27, 1999 and run through March 14.

#### Welcome New Members

-John Kirwin who uses a 35mm camera to shoot nature, people, action-sports and underwater. Do we have any other photographers that do underwater photography?

-Glenn Nettleton, a 35mm owner who likes to take pictures of his dogs and landscapes.

-Lowell Skidmore uses 35 mm for nature, close ups and architecture.

-Elizabeth Ann Wynn

#### Featured Photographer of the Month

Thanks a bunch to Monica Martin for volunteering to be our very first Photographer of the Month. She brought beautiful black and white prints that she had developed herself. She also gave us a little insight into why she took these particular photos. Also of interest were the original prints she had made before all of the darkroom magic was added.

February Featured Photgrapher is Don Aulds.

#### From The President

Would you like to be Photographer of the Month? Due to great "yes" response from our guestionnaires which asked if you would like to see members' work featured we will try to do this on the second Monday of each month. Contact Barbara Staggs to sign up. At first we would really like to feature members who haven't been showing their work in the competitions. If you are the "featured" one we ask that you bring about 10 photographs, matted or unmatted, framed or unframed. You will be given a few minutes at the end of our regular program to say a few words about your photos. It is suggested that you bring the prints in about 6:45 so that the early arrivals to the meeting can view your prints ahead of time. If you shoot only slide film you can be featured at the meetings when we have "Show and Tell" which should be 2 or 3 times a year.

### Things of Interest

-Feb 9 for approx. 1 month-Gallery Showing--Visit the HPS Gallery Exhibit at the Huntsville Art League Gallery in Parkway City Mall. Tell all of your friends.

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If the Art League notices an increase in the number of visitors to the Gallery they may let us exhibit again. **-Feb 20**---Tom and Pat Cory from Chattanooga will be conducting a Nature Photography Workshop in Huntsville on Feb. 20 from 9:00 to 4:30. The fee is \$79 or \$85 afterJan. 31. Seating is limited to 36. For more info contact them at or 800-495-6190. They have given programs many times in Huntsville and are always well received.

-Feb. 20-21 -- Widely known nature photographer, George Lepp will conduct a one or two day seminar in Atlanta. First day-educational seminar on nature and outdoor photography. Sun.-overview on use of consumer available digital imaging to improve traditional photographic procedures. 9am to 5pm. one day \$90, both days \$160 Call 800-394-7677 -Feb. 27 -- The Appalachian Photographic Society presents a nature photography seminar with Bill Fortney, founder of the Great American Photography Weekends. Subjects covered: Understanding exposure, Improving your compositions, Light-the critical factor!, the equipment and film you need in the field, photographing special situations, 9 AM to 4:30PM, \$20/person at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, KY. Call (606)528-3771 for info and reservations and 1-800-325-0063 for lodging reservations.

-Feb 27-28 (Atlanta, GA)---Nikon School , one-day (choose Saturday or Sunday) \$99 (incl. lunch and 157 page Nikon book. Order tickets by mail: Nikon School, 1300 Walt Whitman Rd., Melville, NY 11747-3064; by phone (516)547-8666; by fax (516)547-0309. www.nikonusa.com for details.

## **1999 Competition Topics**

Month	Topic
February	Family
March	Animals
April	Open (any subject)
Мау	Buildings
June	Water
July	A Single Tree
August	Flowers
September	Open
October	Scenes of Huntsville

November Humorous December Best of the Year Competition January 2000 Seasons

## The Huntsville Nature Photography

**Society** meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Charles Stone Agricultural Building on Cook Avenue at 7PM. The February program will be a "Show and Tell" Meeting starting with Ken Webb's slides from "Alabama Hills [California] to Yosemite".

## A Reminder From Your Webmaster--Roberto Puon (roberto @traveller.com)

-Our web site is up and running.

-We have an online gallery on which members can have pictures published. All you need to do is to give me a print (up to 8x10) and a little bio to go along with the pictures, and I'll scan them and put them up on our web site. I can also accept prescanned images if they meet the following standards: Format JPEG, the image should be no more than 400 pixels high , width is not critical (hopefully less than about 600 pixels), file size should be less than 50k. You may also provide a link to your personal web site instead (this also allows us to save on disk space).

# "Surplus" Cannon Camera Bodies

I have three Canon camera bodies which I have worn out or damaged during my photography career. I have recently purchased a Nikon and have no need for the old Canons. Each of the bodies needs repair to make it functional. The bodies are for a T-60, AT-1 and AE-1. If you have a need for these "old timers", the price is right. I will give them to anyone with a need or desire for same. Contact me at 256/882-3061 or at bomag@ro.com Bob Bauman

### **1999 Dues Reminder/Newsletter Notice**

-The yearly dues of \$20 are due. See Roberto Puon for renewal or more info. -HPS will send courtesy copies of the Leader to visitors for 3 months after their visit. HPS will extend

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this courtesy to former members for the first 3 months of the new membership year.

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## **Southerlands Specials of the Month**

The Winter Clearance Sale continues. Don't forget their excellent selection of camera bags.