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In Focus

August Program – Macro & Creative Nature Photography with Tom and Pat Cory

Being a psychologist, Tom has always had an interest in creativity. This program will consist of two

segments, a program on Creative Nature Photography and another on Close-up/Macro photography, an area that just begs for our creative juices to flow as we see colors, patterns, and shapes that we often pass by with our busy life-styles. We will discuss different styles of photography, show a number of images and tell how we created them.



Tom and Pat have been involved in photography for many years. Working as a husband/wife team they conduct a number of photography workshops locally, nationally and internationally each year. They have just returned from and will be leading a photo tour to Morocco in September.

Tom has his fine art prints in various exhibits around ChattanoogaMacro. Their work has been published in a number of calendars and publications such as *Outdoor Photographer*, *Nature Photographer*, *Nature's Best*, *Delta's Sky Magazine*, and *Blue Ridge Country*. While they have focused on nature and travel photography, Tom also works with environmental portraiture. Pat specializes in video and has released two videos, *Visions of Nature*, nature video with hammered dulcimer music by Dan Landrum, and *The Story of a Dream*, a video on the building of the Coolidge Park Carousel in Chattanooga. They have published three books, *Scenic Chattanooga and Beyond*, a guide to natural areas within 75

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Third Annual Scott Kelby Worldwide Photowalk by Diana Davidson

On July 24th, 2010, Huntsville photographers joined ~34000 other photographers around the world to photograph a local community. We met in Mooresville, a historic village in North Alabama. It was HOT - record highs for the year - but everyone seemed to have a wonderful time and stunning images were made of this charming idyllic Huck Finn kind of place.

Most importantly, the photographers who participated were part of the world's largest global social photography event in the history of photography itself. Photographers of all walks of life, skill levels, and cultures gathered together to learn new tips from each other and explore their corner of the world through photography.

In 2008, there were 241 walks. Last year, there were 900 walks and this year there were 1100 walks representing well over 20 countries. Scott Kelby, founder of NAPP, editor-in-chief of Photoshop User

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From The President

I think I discovered global warming and its right here in Huntsville. I hope everyone is surviving the heat wave. A large number of us were out last week for the PhotoWalk organized by our own Diana Davidson. About 50 photographers swarmed Mooresville though everyone seemed to have a good time.

Our program last month was about prints and how to make them last. Mr. Joe Fike was quite informative on the subject and a great entertainer. Thanks Joe for all the useful tips and info.

Our competition in July was nothing to laugh at. Well, actually it was something to laugh at. Humor was our topic and Ms. Cara Fuller from Alabama A&M was our judge. We could not have picked a better judge especially considering her thesis work was related to humor. Cara did a wonderful job giving feedback on each and every image. Of course near the end of the evening, her comments became more rushed due to running out of time. Thanks Cara.

Don't forget about all of our upcoming contests. We have Barry Jackson's Photo Extravaganza print contest. Prints must one of five topics. We also have

the overseas contest with the UK club, which is a digital contest with no topic. Members are limited to 2 entries per contest. Entries must be received by the end of Aug to give the board time to pick the images that will represent our club and then get the entries to the appropriate contests. Details of each contest are listed in this newsletter and were also sent out in a separate email message. Hard copies of the details are available at the meetings in Aug.

Call for board members. We are looking for a person to pick up where Carol Peshman left off. Carol has become too busy with school and work and unfortunately had to resign from her position as Digital Competition Secretary. She did a great job for HPS but now someone new needs to step up and have some fun. Additionally, we will be in need of a Program's VP at the start of next year since Barbara Hitt will also be resigning her position in Jan. She's already got several months worth of 2011 filled so the job is almost half done! Please talk to Barbara if you're interested in helping out the club in 2011!!

Rick Kress



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miles of Chattanooga, the 7th edition of their popular instructional book, *Notes from the Field*, and most recently published *Gently Touch the Earth*, a mixture of some of their favorite images and quotations, available through Blurb.com.

Besides his work as a photographer, Tom is also a clinical psychologist with a part-time practice. Pat retired from being an information systems manager several years ago and works full time with their photography business.

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Berry Jackson's Photo Extravaganza Contest

Former HPS President. Barry Jackson, is organizing a multi-club photo event for Nov 5h and 6th in Lawrenceburg, TN. HPS has agreed to participate in this event. More information will be forth coming as plans become more firm. One event that has been decided is a multi club photo contest. This will be a print only contest (no digital and no slide entries). There will be 5 topics in both black and white and color prints. This makes a total of 10 categories. The board will be the judge as to which 20 images are submitted to represent our club. Barry needs the prints by early Oct. The board would like to judge the images in early Sept and we will get the prints to Barry. In Aug, HPS will have 2 normal meetings plus our open forum meeting. We will accept entries at all 3 meetings. Here are the rules:

- Entries must be mounted or matted. No frames allowed
- Participants do not need to be present to compete
- No names or titles are allowed to show
- Maximum entry size is 16 x 20 or 320 sq.

in. (this includes matt/mount)

- Minimum entry size is 11 x 14 or 154 sq. in. (this includes matt/mount)
- Multiple prints within the designated area are allowed.
- Maximum 2 entries allowed per member
- Entry must have
 Member's Name and
 Category on the back of the entry
 - Categories are:
 - o People
 - o Nature
- o Living Creatures (not people)
 - o Architecture
- o Abstract or Extreme Photo Edited



Calendar of Events

Aug 9 - Program Meeting, 7.p.m., Huntsville Library

Aug 9 - New Moon

Aug 16 - Nature and Travel Photo Society Meeting, 7 p. m.

Aug 17 - Photo Tour of Cathedral Caverns, 6 p.m.

Aug 18 - Photo Class with Robert Schuffert, 6:30 p.m.

Aug 23 - Competition Meeting, 7 p.m., Huntsville Library

Aug 24 - Full Moon

Aug 30 - 5th Monday Meeting, 7.p.m., Huntsville Library



Photowalk participants walking through historic Mooresville



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Competition Results Subject - Humor Judge - Cara Fuller

| | Digital (51) | Color (43) | Monochrome (15) | Slides (13) |
|-----|------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1st | Sam Fara | Ernie High | Barbara Staggs | David Blue |
| 2nd | Ben Evanko | Carol Blue | Diana Davidson | Lee Pratt |
| 3rd | Diana Davidson | Ernie High | Barbara Montgomery | Lee Pratt |
| HM | Emily Saile | Martha Teal | Barbara Montgomery | David Blue |
| HM | Alan Buwalda | Martha Teal | Tom Bryant | |
| HM | Don Wolfe | Bill Courtney | | |
| HM | Virginia Gilbert | Rick Kress | | |
| HM | Diana Davidson | | | _ |

First Place Winners



(Digital, Monochrome, and Slide not available)

Color Print by Ernie High

Costco Sponsorship

Thank you, Costco, for sponsoring HPS monthly competitions! Prizes are awarded for1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each category. Prizes must be redeemed within 30 days or before the next month's competition (whichever comes first). Members should come to Costco photo lab to claim the prize.

2010 HPS Meeting Info

Aug 9 - Macros & Creative Photography by Tom and Pat Cory

Aug 23 - Nature In Motion Competition

Aug 30 – Members Forum

Sep 13 – History of Photography by

Jose Belancourt

Sep 27 - "Open" Competition

Oct 11 - Program TBD by Tony Triolo

Oct 25 – Abandoned & Discarded Competition

Nov 8 – Stereo Photography by Lee Pratt

Nov 22 – Faces Competition

Nov 29 - Members Forum

Dec 13 - Best Of Year Dinner



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Slides-Vote to Keep or Eliminate from Competition

HPS will be voting on whether or not to keep slides as a Competition category. The vote will be August 23 at the competition meeting. I have asked for emails regarding reasons for keeping or doing away with slides in the competition. Information from emails is below. If a change is made it will take effect January, 2011. Since I have been working with the competition I have heard negative comments from several judges regarding judging slides. Please consider all the points and be at the meeting August 23 to cast your vote.

Keep:

1. Because these shots are done in the camera and no post-processing is done (no photoshop). A computer is not required or even useable.

Remove:

- 1. The quality in the slide category is not up to that seen in the other categories.
- Setting up and judging slides is more difficult and time consuming and leaves less time for comments from the judge.
- 3. A slide can be converted into a print or digital image to be used in the other categories.
- 4. The main purpose of competitions is to encourage members to better their photographic skills. We should be encouraging active photography rather than relying on images that have been taken years ago.
- 5. The proportion of winners to the actual amount of entries is much higher than in other categories.
- 6. The awkward judging procedure to keep going through them and the time it takes .
- 7. Slides along with film prints are a dying technology. The vast majority of photographers, amateurs as well as professionals, are using digital cameras, and that is where the clubs emphasis should be.

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|--------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Name | 2010 points | 2010 wins |
| Diana Davidson | 35 | 13 |
| David Blue | 34 | 11 |
| Ernie High | 31 | 12 |
| Martha Teal | 31 | 14 |
| Lee Pratt | 27 | 10 |
| Barbara Montgomery | 26 | 9 |
| Joy Henderson | 21 | 7 |
| Rick Kress | 21 | 7 |
| John Kirwin | 19 | 8 |
| Carol Blue | 18 | 6 |
| Virginia Gilbert | 18 | 7 |
| Tom Bryant | 16 | 6 |
| Barbara Staggs | 15 | 5 |
| Henry Smith | 14 | 9 |
| Jerry Green | 13 | 5 |
| Emily Saile | 10 | 6 |
| Geri Reddy | 9 | 6 |
| Daniel Little | 9 | 3 |
| Dorinda Tyler | 8 | 2 |
| Tim Solomon | 7 | 3 |
| Alan Buwalda | 6 | 6 |
| Sam Fara | 5 | 1 |
| Guy Mcallister | 5 | 3 |
| Andrea Shetley | 5 | 1 |
| Bill Snoddy | 5 | 3 |
| Ben Evanko | 4 | 1 |
| Don Wolfe | 4 | 4 |
| Mikala Buwalda | 3 | 3 |
| Bill Courtney | 3 | 3 |
| Mike Lyon | 3 | 1 |
| Joe Boyd | 3 | 1 |
| Roger Hunter | 2 | 2 |
| Alan Montgomery | 2 | 2 |
| Robert Schuffert | 2 | 2 |
| Eddie Sewell | 2 | 2 |
| Sam Tumminello | 2 | 2 |
| Roger Urlwin | 2 | 2 |
| Brenda Courtney | 1 | <u>-</u> 1 |
| Doug Felton | 1 | 1 |
| Margaret Phillips | 1 | 1 |
| Anthony Prince | 1 | 1 |
| Michael Roberts | 1 | 1 |
| Walt Tyszka | 1 | 1 |
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magazine and president of Kelby Media Group said, "Do the math - your average photographer will take upwards of 300 photos during a photowalk. That means that nearly 10 million pictures were taken in that one single day that may never had happened otherwise. I think that's pretty cool and we all can't wait to see what happens this year."

If you would like to see the images made, you can check out the flickr group at: http://www.flickr.com/groups/mooresville_photowalk/

"Share The Experience" Federal Recreation Lands Photo Contest

An icon linking to the interagency Share the Experience photography contest is now posted on the right-hand side of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Web site, http://www.fws.gov/. The contest, which runs through December 31, encourages participants to enter a favorite photograph they have taken on any of America's federal recreation lands, including national wildlife refuges. There are 15 chances to

win, and the grand prize includes an Olympus E-P2 digital SLR camera kit, a Stylus Tough-8010 digital camera and a five-day trip to a federal recreation site of the winner's choosing. In addition, the winning image will appear on the 2012 federal recreational lands annual and volunteer passes. Be sure to let Friends groups and other members of the local community know about the contest. For more

information, go to the Service Web site or contact Washington Office visitor services specialist Phil LePelch, Phil LePelch@fws.gov, 703-358-1974.
The direct link to the site is:

http://
nationalparks.promo.eprize.com/
experiencecontest2010/

Selsdon Camera Club Photo Contest

The Selsdon Camera Club in England is hosting a multi club photo contest. The club contacted us a few weeks ago. They, along with another English club, would like to have a 3 club competition. They have done this before with other American clubs. We, as a club, are limited to 15 entries. The board will select the images that represent HPS. There are no categories or divisions. The image can be any

topic and color or b/w but it must be digital. Later we will receive a CD with all the images and the judges selections. I think they plan to post the winning entries on their website but nothing else will be done with the images. If you are worried about protecting your image, I suggest you not enter it. Selsdon website is:

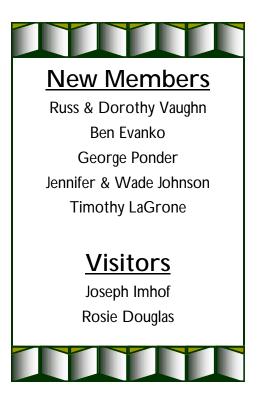
www.selsdoncameraclub.co.uk Rules for entries:

- DEADLINE Oct 1. (Please DO NOT wait to the last minute. I'm not sure how many they can receive at one time. I will forward images as I receive them)
 - Maximum resolution is 1024 x 768
 - File names: UK-#-

YourName.jpg (example: UK-1-RickKress.jpg, UK-2-RickKress.jpg)

- Submit to:

<u>HPScontest@knology.net</u> with subject "HPS Contest"



Photography for me is a passion, a mixture of science and art that creates magic. If a day goes by without photography, it's incomplete.

- Scott MacQuarrie

Photography Class

Robert Schuffert, HPS member, is conducting a photography class on August 18 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Trinity United Methodist Church on Airport Road. Enrollment fee is \$25.00. Call (256) 881-1354 or visit www.SchuffertStudios.com to sign up or for additional information.



Photo Tour of Tennessee Aquarium

Tom and Pat Cory will be doing an after hours photo tour at the Tennessee Aquarium on October 5. Anyone who wishes to join this group can sign on at the aquarium website. It is wise to sign on early as the number is limited. I have done this several times so if anyone has questions e mail Joy Henderson at jscuba@otelco.net.

HPS Photo Tour of Cathedral Caverns By Joy Henderson

There will be an HPS Photo
Tour at Cathedral Caverns at 6:00
pm on Tuesday, August 17. The
fee is \$12 per person and the tour
will last about 2 hours. For those
who are not familiar with Cathedral Caverns there are several formations that set world records.
The widest entrance, largest stalagmite, largest flow stone wall,
largest frozen waterfall, largest
stalagmite forest and most improbable formation, a stalagmite

that is 35' tall and 3" wide.

The trail all the way in is wide and paved. Because of lighting it is a challenge to photograph. I found timed photo rather than flash worked best.

The group will meet at the Huntsville Public Library at 5:00 pm. If anyone prefers to drive on their own, GPS info is :Huntsville Public Library, 915 Monroe St. 35801 to Cathedral Caverns, 637 Cave Rd, Woodville, AL 35776.

I need to let Cathedral Caverns officials know how many people to expect so if you signed on at the July 26 meeting and change your mind, please let me know. Those of you who wish to participate and were not at the meeting please call (256) 498-2743 or e-mail jscuba@otelco.net.

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Mooresville Post Office. See photowalk story on page 1.



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Website for Digital Competition results: www.HPSPhotos.smugmug.com



Meeting Information:

HPS meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the Huntsville/Madison County Public Library-Main Branch, 915 Monroe St.

Annual Membership Dues: \$20.00 due Jan 1st (\$18.00 if renewal paid before start of the Calendar year). Membership required to submit entries in monthly competitions.