



# In Focus

## October Program- Photojournalism with Bill Wilson



Bill Wilson will present what it is like to be a photojournalist, including the various types of photography he shoots, i.e., news, sports, portraits, features, illustra-

tions, nature, and the occasional humorous moment. He will discuss how to capture "the moment", faces, and expression. Bill will also discuss ethics and the challenges the industry faces with film compared to digital. He will have a slide show and discussion on various photos and assignments.

Bill has been a photojournalist at the Anniston Star since 1987. Before that he was a freelancer

for the Tennessean newspaper in Nashville after college. He has won various awards over the years and most recently won 1st place feature photo in the 2010 Associated Press contest.

2011 HPS Meeting Info
Oct 10 - Photojournalism by Bill Wilson
Oct 24 - Scenic N. AL/Southern TN Competition
Oct 31 - 5TH MONDAY MEETING CANCELLED
Nov 14- Stereo/3D Photography by Lee Pratt
Nov 28 - In The Woods Competition
Dec 13- Best Of Year Dinner

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## Best of Year Competition Information

The year 2011 is winding down and Best of Year competition is arriving. Please bring prints that have won at any level - 1, 2, 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Honorable Mentions - to the meetings in October and November. **The absolute deadline for getting prints in is November 28 which is the November competition meeting.** Joy will be on a trip at that time and Ernie High has very graciously agreed to take care of gathering prints that have not already been turned in at the Nov 28 meeting, getting the prints to the judges, picking the prints up after judging, and having plaques made. The

deadline for suggestions on topics for 2012 competition is October 7 - so, if you wish to have input on topics, please send suggestions to [jscuba@otelco.net](mailto:jscuba@otelco.net). Procedure for choosing topics: HPS members send in suggestions - topics that have been used in the past three years are discarded - HPS board votes on remaining topics to determine topics for 2012. Topics and judges for the coming months are: October - Scenic North Alabama or Southern Tennessee, Judge Bobby Harrison, November - In the Woods, Judge Amy Wilburn, January 2012 - Still Life, Judge Keith Jones.



## From The President

Not much news from me this month since I missed the first meeting. I heard it was a fantastic presentation on wedding photography. Thank you, Liss Sterling. Sorry I missed it.

The competition topic for Sep was Open and HPS did its usual job of coming out with outstanding images. I saw several new names in the competition and a couple first time winners. Congratulations to all and thank you to our judge, Garth Fraser. Garth, a former HPS president, was very articulate about the images and his selection process. Unfortunately, we ran out of time and had to ask him to back off the comments. Guess that was my fault for making too many announcements at the start of the meeting! Thanks, Garth.

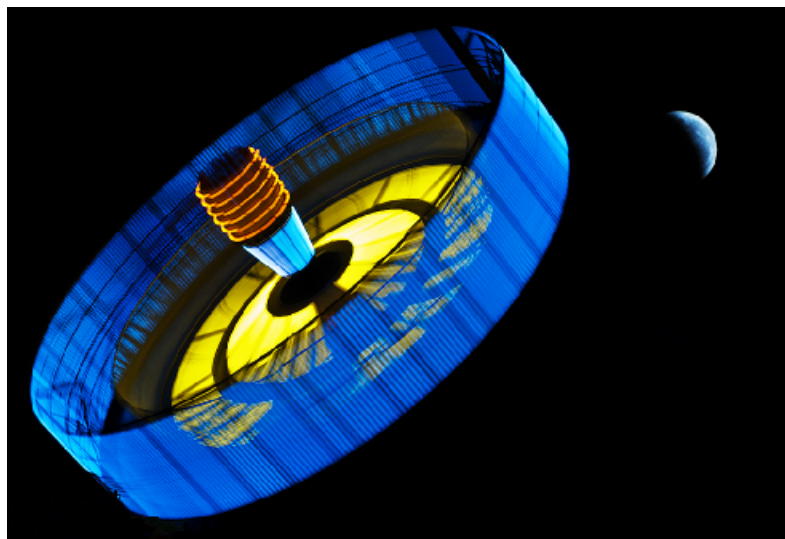
We are approaching the end of the year and have our usual business to take

care of. If you have a print that won 1st, 2nd, 3rd or Honorable Mention in any monthly competition in 2011, please make sure you get these to Joy or Ernie before the last meeting in Nov for entry into the Best of the Year competition. Also, send Joy any ideas you have for topics for next year's competition. And lastly, if you would like to help out with the End of the Year Banquet, please let Eddie Sewall know. Contact info for Joy and Eddie can be found on page 8 of the newsletter.

Two more months and counting. We have one person interested in the position of President but are still open to others, so please be thinking about it.

Enjoy the coming cooler weather and fall colors. Let's keep our fingers crossed for a colorful season!

Rick Kress



## Photowalk at the Fair

John Kirwin's winning image from the North East Alabama State Fair photowalk. John won a copy of Scott Kelby's Photoshop CS5 book. Participants submitted 3 of their best images. HPS members ranked the images with one to five stars and John's was the People's Choice. Thanks to Liz Smith for organizing the walk. To see all of the images, go to

<http://hpsphotos.smugmug.com/Events>



## Annual Maple Hill Cemetery Stroll

On Sunday, October 16, 2011, 2-4:30 p.m., at historic Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, AL, more than 65 costumed characters will "come alive" to represent notables from the past during the annual Maple Hill Cemetery Stroll.

More than 200 years of history will come alive for the annual Maple Hill Cemetery Stroll. Costumed volunteers will share the stories of over 65 notables, both famous and infamous, who shaped the future of Huntsville and Alabama. Included are five Alabama

Governors, soldiers from past wars, artist, poet and writer Maria Howard Weeden, the notorious madam, Molly Teal, and Tallulah Bankhead visiting her parent's graves.

Maple Hill was deeded to the city in 1822 and is one the largest cemeteries in Alabama, with almost 80,000 people buried within its grounds. The history of Maple Hill is also the history of the southeast during America's southern and westward expansion. Governors, bricklayers,

paupers, the famous and the infamous are all buried within its borders. Years of damage from pollution, vandalism and neglect necessitated the need for an organization that helps ensure the preservation of this historical landmark.

This event is free to the public. Donations are welcome. For more info go to [http://www.huntsvillepilgrimage.org/cemetery\\_stroll.html](http://www.huntsvillepilgrimage.org/cemetery_stroll.html)

The Photoshop guru Tim Grey puts out a daily email with Questions & Answers related to Photoshop and LightRoom... you can sign up for these at <http://www.timgrey.com/>

## Photography Exhibits at HMA

The Huntsville Museum of Art (HMA) has two new exhibits starting in October 2011. The first is *Southern Comfort:: Regional Photography from the Collection*, Oct 2, 2011-Feb 26, 2012. *Southern Comfort* will present selected photographs from the Museum's collection that underscore the rich history of the South and tell compelling stories about its unique people, places and traditions. Many were added to the collection in the 1980's and early 1990's through a series of original exhibitions curated by local photographic archivist and historian Frances Robb, wife of

former Museum director David Rob. Featured artists include William Christenberry, Kathryn Tucker Windham, Pinky Bass, and James Morris.

The second exhibit is *Herb Ritts: Celebrity and Fashion*, Oct 14, 2011-Jan 29, 2012. This exclusive exhibition will feature 41 signature black and white photographs which were hand selected for the Huntsville Museum of Art from the prestigious collection of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, the largest institutional owner of Herb Ritts' (1952-2002)

work. The exhibition will be complimented by print ephemera and photographic equipment on loan from the Herb Ritts Foundation.

Ritts was one of the most influential celebrity and fashion photographers working in the late twentieth century. He produced iconic portraits and editorial fashion for *Vogue*, *Vanity Fair*, and *Rolling Stone* magazines. His clean graphic style, which emphasized bold lines and strong geometric forms, allowed his images to be read and felt instantaneously.



**September Competition Results**  
**Subject - Open**  
**Judge - Garth Fraser**

	Digital (84)	Color Print (73)	Monochrome Print (38)
1st	Kelly Williams	Ron Atchley	Stan Prevost
2nd	Barbara Hitt	Don Wolfe	Ron Atchley
3rd	Diana Davidson	Liz Smith	Margaret Phillips
HM	Barbara Staggs	Bill Courtney	Martha Teal
HM	Mike Lyon	Barbara Montgomery	Diana Davidson
HM	Joy Henderson	Margaret Phillips	Martha Teal
HM	Barbara Hitt	Martha Teal	Barbara Hitt
HM	Diana Davidson	Ron Atchley	
HM		David Blue	
HM		Barbara Montgomery	

**Websites for Digital Entries:**

Website for Digital Competition results:  
[www.HPSPhotos.smugmug.com](http://www.HPSPhotos.smugmug.com)

Website for Novice Class is  
[www.HPSphotos.smugmug.com/NoviceCompetitions](http://www.HPSphotos.smugmug.com/NoviceCompetitions)

**Costco Sponsorship**

Thank you, Costco, for sponsoring HPS monthly competitions! Prizes are awarded for 1st, 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.





# First Place Winners



Monochrome Print  
by Stan Prevost



Color Print by Ron Atchley



Digital by Kelly Williams

Name	2011 points	2011 wins
Barbara Hitt	58	22
Diana Davidson	52	20
Barbara Staggs	38	21
Martha Teal	27	14
Don Wolfe	27	10
Ernie High	25	13
Stan Prevost	24	7
Geri Reddy	24	8
Barbara Montgomery	21	12
Joy Henderson	18	11
Emily Saile	16	9
John Kirwin	15	8
Walt Tyszka	15	4
Ronald Atchley	12	5
Virginia Gilbert	11	4
Henry Smith	11	8
Ben Evanko	10	7
Mike Lyon	9	6
Margaret Phillips	9	5
Carol Blue	7	4
Kelly Williams	6	2
David Blue	5	3
Liz Smith	5	3
Tim Solomon	5	5
Robert Schuffert	4	2
Robert Fox	3	3
Dorinda Tyler	3	1
Tom Bryant	2	2
Jerry Green	2	2
Beverly Hughes	2	2
Alan Buwalda	1	1
Bill Courtney	1	1
Doug Felton	1	1
Liz High	1	1
Anthony Prince	1	1
Walt Schumacher	1	1
Eddie Sewall	1	1

## Consumer Electronics Show & Photo Marketing Association Show

This year the truly monstrous Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in *Las Vegas* is going to combine with the Photo Marketing Association (PMA) show, which showcases all kinds of photographic hardware and software. The loose name for this show is PMA@CES.

This will be one spectacular multi-convention center sized (Balleys and the Venetian) show, with a plethora of photographic, electronic and entertainment products. The PMA also offers educational seminars. This is happening on January 8-12. For more info, see

<http://www.pmai.org/> and <http://cesweb.org/>

## 22nd Annual Wilderness Wildlife Week

The 22nd Annual Wilderness Wildlife Week is scheduled for Jan 7-14,2012. Wilderness Wildlife Week, the ultimate Smoky Mountain experience, is a series of activities designed to connect Pigeon Forge visitors with the great outdoors." You'll learn from more than 100 experts, some of whom are Huntsville Photographic Society members and speakers! [http://www.mypigeonforge.com/events\\_winterfest\\_wilderness.aspx](http://www.mypigeonforge.com/events_winterfest_wilderness.aspx)

## Photography Classes

- ⇒ Two new photography classes are being offered by the Huntsville Botanical Gardens. The instructor is HPS member Walt Schumacher. **Digital Photography 101.** Saturday October 8, 2011: 9:00 am - 11:00 am, Boeing Education Classroom This class is aimed at the new "point and shoot" digital camera user. Learn functions such as setting file size and quality, auto white balance, picture modes, controlling exposure, , putting photos in the computer, keeping files organized, and backing them up, Watch a demo of color correction with Photoshop Elements. Botanical Garden Members \$40, non-members \$45. **Enhancing Photos with Photoshop Elements.** 2 days, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Thursdays October 13& 20 . This class includes learning how to place photos on your computer. Learn cropping and sizing, color adjustment, contrast, brightness and saturation. Other topics include spotting, red-eye, burning, dodging and cloning, filters, type and layer styles. Learn to export pictures to MS Word for business cards, labels, etc. No need to bring a laptop or even own Elements... it is a "generic" photo editor. Botanical Garden Members \$60, non-members \$65. Advance payment and registration is required for both classes, as seating is limited. Please register by calling the reservation line at 256-830-4447 ext. 232.
- ⇒ Robert Schuffert has a photo class Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at 6:30 PM. It will be at Trinity United Methodist Church at 607 Airport Road, Huntsville from 6:30- 9:00 pm with a \$25 entry fee. If you are interested, please email [Robert@SchuffertStudios.com](mailto:Robert@SchuffertStudios.com).
- ⇒ Ben Evanko is offering a photography workshop for children ages 10-18 interested in improving their photography skills. In addition to hands-on demonstrations and guided photo sessions, the workshop also covers history, camera optics, composition and post processing. The next workshop will be Saturday, October 29 from 9-11am. If interested call 256-325-0895 or visit [www.whiteboardworkshops.com/photography](http://www.whiteboardworkshops.com/photography).



## Photo Opportunities

◆ **Moundville Native American Festival.** Moundville Archaeological Park, AL, Oct 3-6, 2012, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Celebrate the Southeastern Indian heritage of prehistoric Native Americans who lived and thrived on the grounds of Moundville. Enjoy arts and crafts, children's area, knapper's corner, living history camp, and a stage featuring music, storytelling and dancers. For more info call 205-371-8732 or go to

[www.moundville.ua.edu](http://www.moundville.ua.edu).

◆ **Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention.** Known as the Graddaddy of MidSouth Fiddlers Conventions, the TVOTFC attracts some 15,000-20,000 old time music enthusiasts to the campus of Athens State University

the first weekend in October each year. Fri., Oct 7, 7 p.m. until ?; Sat., Oct 8, 8:30 a.m. until? For more info go to [www.athens.edu](http://www.athens.edu). Competition categories include: Harmonica, Mandolin, Bluegrass Banjo, Dobro, Dulcimer, Old Time Singing, Beginning Fiddler, Finger Picking Guitar, Senior Fiddler, Old time Banjo, Classic Old Time Fiddler, Flat Picking Guitar, Bluegrass Band, Junior Fiddler, Old Time Band and Buck Dancking. An Arts and Crafts show is held in conjunction with the musical competition. Proceeds go toward scholarships and other campus projects.

◆ **Alabama National Fair, Oct 7-16, Garrett Coliseum, Montgomery, AL.** [www.alnationalfair.org](http://www.alnationalfair.org). The

Alabama National Fair is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Their main objective is to raise funds to support children and youth charities throughout Central Alabama which are distributed through the Kiwanis Club of Montgomery. To date, more than \$6.1 million has been distributed to charities through the Alabama National Fair's proceeds and more than \$2.4 million in prize money has been paid out to competitive winners over the last 57 years. The fair includes Midway rides, main stage entertainment, food, kids area, livestock and several competitions including photography, school art, flower show, and equestrian drill team.

## Photo Tour Of Dismals Canyon

Join Tony Triolo on a photo safari to the beautiful Dismals Canyon Conservancy in Franklin County. Tony is conducting a photo tour on Saturday, Oct 15. The cost is \$125 (includes admission to Conservancy). Participants will meet at the Publix parking lot on HWY 20 in Madison. This tour is for anyone who

shares an interest in photography, beginner to advanced amateur. Tony will guide you, help find the best shots and vantage points, give advice on composition, and assist with technical problems. The group is limited to 12. For more info or to register, call 256-658-5506 or email [tonytriolo@me.com](mailto:tonytriolo@me.com).

### New Members

Veronica Beaudry

Ravi Agarwal

Peter and Barb Collery

Robert Palermo

Bill Zuercher

### Visitors

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Derrick Lovett

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*Dodging and burning are steps to take care of mistakes God made in establishing tonal relationships.*

*- Ansel Adams*



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Website for Digital Competition results: [www.HPSPhotos.smugmug.com](http://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.