



Color Digital, HM, by Trudi Gardner-Fay. See more HMs starting on p.10.

In Focus

March Program—More Than you Want to Know about 3D Photography (But Don't be Afraid to Ask!)

By Lee Pratt and Andrea Shetley

March 14, 2022 Downtown Huntsville Madison County Library, 6:00 p.m.



The Huntsville Photographic Society will be presenting a 3D program in March 2022 for all attendees. HPS members Lee Pratt and Andrea Shetley will be introducing many, many ways that 3D (stereoscopic) images have been displayed for more than the last 170 years. The program will be suitable for all ages that have at least two working eyes and want to see how the world really looks. Yes, attendees will be wearing the polarized 3D funny glasses and will see many sample images.

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Coming of Spring

With spring just around the corner, I've been thinking of places I want to photograph. While the coming of spring offers a plethora of opportunities to explore all kinds of photography, it also brings the opportunity for so much more--waterfalls, cascades, wildflowers, covered bridges, blossoming trees, birds, emerging wildlife, colorful sunsets, rainbows, fog, mountain vistas--well, you know them as well as I do. So, I've been looking at places to go. One of the nice things about retirement is that you can set aside a day or two each week to do nothing but photography. So, I thought I would share some of my favorite haunts as we merge from the winter and, of course, from the "sheltering in place" of the pandemic.



Huntsville's Botanical Gardens is always a favorite. I find it interesting to start visiting the garden right now as things just begin to bloom, particularly the flowering trees and shrubs. It offers the opportunity for so much creativity and imagination. A weekly couple of hours at this beautiful resource in our area is both a relaxing experience as well as a photographic goldmine.

Land Trust of North Alabama is another great resource in our area. Our area offers numerous hiking trails with wildflowers, cascades, and waterfalls galore. This organization is doing so much in our area not only to preserve land, but to make it more accessible and usable for our enjoyment. If you make a small donation and become a member, they will provide you with a free app that allows you interactive access to maps of their numerous hiking trails.

Covered Bridges, Old Mills, and Barns can still be found and photographed in our rural areas. My favorite resource for neat places to photograph in North Alabama and Tennessee are two very usable books written by one of our former Huntsville Photographic Society members, Robert Schuffert. The two books, *Scenic North Alabama*, and *Scenic Tennessee*, lists hundreds of places to photograph within a day's journey from Huntsville, with maps, directions, pictures, and helpful advice about each area. Robert died several years ago now, but I believe the books are still available at Southerlands. If you can't find a copy, many of us in the club have them and are willing to share.

Two of my favorite places, a little further away, are Old Car City, and Gibbs Garden. Both are in North Georgia, about three and a half hours away, but if you plan to visit both sites at one time, I suggest spending the night. Each will need most of a day if you plan to photograph. I'll be at Gibbs in the middle of next month as the daffodils begin to bloom--they planted over a million when the garden opened, and the number has grown since then. It's quite a sight! Gibb's garden is an amazing place in almost every season, but spectacular in the Spring. Weekdays are best as the crowds tend to be very large on the weekend due to its nearness to Atlanta.

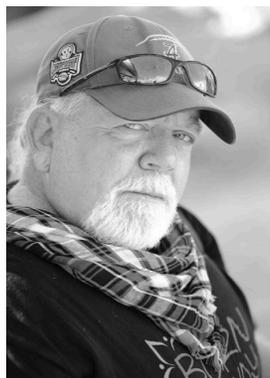
Old Car City is not far away, and a place known by photographers from all over the country. I first heard about it from other photographers when I attended a workshop in

Utah. Gibb's garden is fast becoming just as well known, and you'll see photography workshops planned for both sites. I would try for colder weather at Old Car City since the mosquito population grows exponentially as the weather heats up.

Well, there are some of my favorites, and I can't wait to get out there. Hope you are planning to enjoy the spring as much as I am.

March Judge–Dennis Keim Subject–Open

March 28, Trinity United Methodist Church, 6:00 p.m.



Dennis has supported Huntsville Photographic Society activities since 2014. 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) 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) and the NPPA (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 Dennis' work, you can find his galleries at, <http://www.dk-studio.com>. Please join us that evening for a fun and educational experience.

Assistant Treasurer Position

HPS is recruiting a member to work with and be trained by our retiring treasurer Emily Saile. This person would have the role of assistant treasurer for the remainder of 2022. During our November election process, this person would be nominated and confirmed by the membership and then take over as treasurer beginning in 2023.

OLLI Photographic Course Offering

Barbara Staggs will be teaching a course called "Composing Awesome Photos" at Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UAH. The course will be a hands-on basic composition course where students will be expected to use composition rules to submit photos for critique. It will be taught on Tuesdays at 1:15-2:45 from 4/12 until 5/10 at UAH or on Zoom. Here is the link to the Spring Course Guide. https://issuu.com/uah-cpcs/docs/olliatuah_spring2022_courseguide?fr=sMmYzNjMwNzA1Nzc.

February Competition Results

Subject—Store Fronts

Judge—José Betancourt

| | Color Digital (61) | Monochrome Digital (58) | Color Print (19) | Monochrome Print (16) |
|-----|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st | CT Chi | CT Chi | Henry Smith | Tom Bryant |
| 2nd | Charles Gattis | Chris Baker | Steve Mitchell | Doris Leverett |
| 3rd | CT Chi | Carolyn Shadden | Doris Leverett | Emily Saile |
| HM | Judy Kennemer-DeBlanc | Philip Flowers | Charles Leverett | Henry Smith |
| HM | Chris Baker | Don Wolfe | Charles Leverett | Doris Leverett |
| HM | Carolyn Eidson | Earl Todd | | |
| HM | Trudi Gardner-Fay | Ed Townsend | | |
| HM | Joy Henderson | Julia Gary | | |
| HM | Allen Gary | Julia Gary | | |

Points for the Year to Date

| Name | 2022 points | 2022 Wins |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|
| CT Chi | 14 | 4 |
| Christopher Baker | 10 | 3 |
| Doris Leverett | 8 | 3 |
| Emily Saile | 8 | 2 |
| Carolyn Eidson | 6 | 3 |
| Henry Smith | 6 | 2 |
| Barbara Staggs | 5 | 3 |
| Tom Bryant | 5 | 1 |
| Allen Gary | 4 | 2 |
| Charles Gattis | 4 | 1 |
| Steve Mitchell | 4 | 1 |
| Julie Gary | 3 | 3 |
| Carolyn Shadden | 3 | 1 |
| Joy Henderson | 2 | 2 |
| Charles Leverett | 2 | 2 |
| Ed Townsend | 2 | 2 |
| Judy Kennamer-DeBlanc | 1 | 3 |
| Linda Fletcher | 1 | 1 |
| Philip Flowers | 1 | 1 |
| Trudi Gardner-Fay | 1 | 1 |
| Bob Gathany | 1 | 1 |
| John Shriver | 1 | 1 |
| Jim Spinoso | 1 | 1 |
| Earl Todd | 1 | 1 |
| Don Wolfe | 1 | 1 |

New Members

Tracy Choat
 Joshua Conklin
 Mary Georgeson
 Darriel Hoy
 Joanne Lowery

2022 Competition Topics

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|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3/28— OPEN | 6/27— LANDSCAPES | 9/26— NIGHT/ LOW LIGHT |
| 4/25— SIGNS | 7/25— FAMILY | 10/24— OPEN |
| 5/23— URBAN JUNGLE | 8/22— HSV/ MADISON CTY | 11/28— TRUST |

February 2022 Images

Color Print 1st place
by Henry Smith



Color Print 2nd place
by Steve Mitchell

Color Print 3rd place
by Doris Leverett



Monochrome Print
1st place
by Tom Bryant



Monochrome Print
2nd place
by Doris Leverett

Monochrome Print
3rd place
by Emily Saile





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by Charles Gattis



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by CT Chi

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by CT Chi



Monochrome Digital
2nd Place
by Chris Baker

Monochrome Digital
3rd Place
by Carolyn Shadden

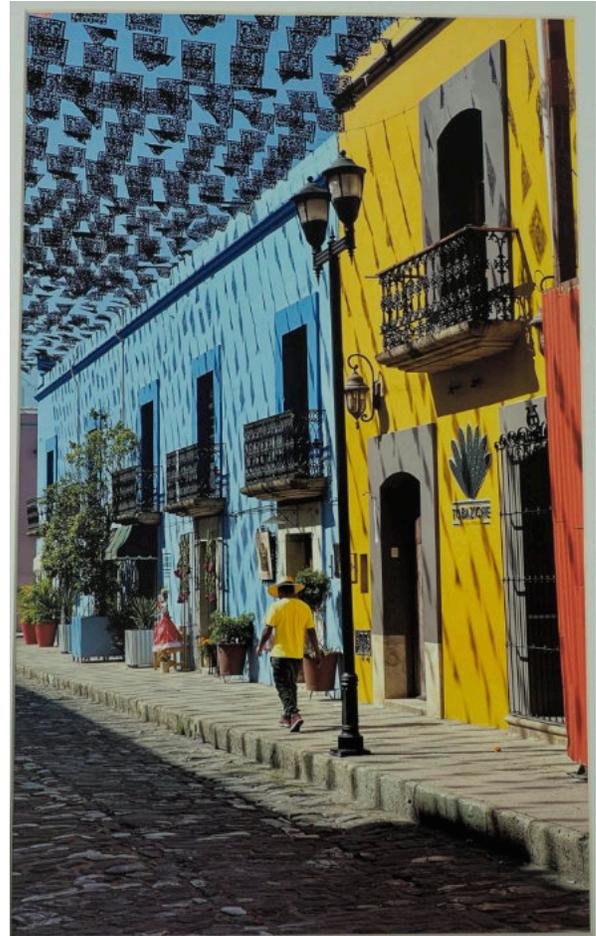


Honorable Mention—Print



Charles Leverett

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Henry Smith

Doris Leverett



Honorable Mention—Digital



Chris Baker

Judy Kennamer DeBlanc



Trudi Gardner-Fay



Carolyn Eidson





Joy Henderson



Allen Gary



Don Wolfe

Philip Flowers





Earl Todd



Julia Gary

Ed Townsend



Julia Gary

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Non Board Positions

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Mentor/Novice Program Officer: Henry Smith

HPS is meeting at the Huntsville Madison County Library on the second Monday of the month, 6-8 p.m., and Trinity United Methodist Church on the fourth Monday, 6-8 p.m.

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