



Monochrome Digital, HM, by Mat Bevill. See more HMs starting on p.11.

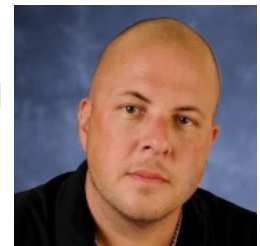
In Focus

March Program—Photographic Composition Using the Creative Devices

By Patrick Oden

March 13, 2023 Trinity United Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m.

We are pleased to welcome back Patrick Oden to the Huntsville Photographic Society for our March Program. Patrick is a long-time supporter of our organization and has presented programs and judged our competitions on several occasions. While discussing the upcoming program, Patrick related that he has thought about presenting this topic to HPS for some time now. As a frequent judge for our monthly competitions, Patrick stated that he has seen many opportunities for the information he will be presenting, to be utilized for improving the submissions. During March, Patrick will be presenting this topic on March 13, then, he will be judging this month’s competition on March 27. Be sure to attend his program to learn his secret recipes so you can use those techniques for this month’s competition.



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Huntsville Museum of Art Exhibit 2023

By Chris Baker

A big thank you to all members who submitted images for the Huntsville Museum of Art Exhibition. We had a total of 183 entries with 45 selected to exhibit. The three person jury at the Museum were quite impressed with the entries, but, unfortunately, they can't display them all! Below is a list of the 24 members who've had one or more of their entries selected for the exhibition. *Selected images can be viewed on our website under Competitions -> Past -> 2023 Winners.* The exhibit will open May 7 and run through August 6 with a reception scheduled for Thursday, May 11 from 5:30 to 7:00pm. Congratulations to all the selectees.



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| <p>Officers of HPS</p> <p>President: Chris Baker</p> <p>Primary Competition Officer:
Steve Mitchell</p> <p>Digital Competition Officer: Chris Baker</p> <p>Competition Records Officer: Eddie Sewall</p> <p>Program Officer:
Roger Hunter</p> <p>Outreach & Activities Officer:</p> <p>Workshop Chairman:
Philip Flowers</p> <p>Publicity Officer:
Xavier Adams</p> <p>Treasurer:
Bob Schmiedeskamp</p> <p>Communications Officer:
Jay Bain</p> <p>Historian: Tom Bryant</p> <p>Exhibition Officer:
Bob Gower</p> <p>PSA Representative:
Lee Pratt</p> <p>Non Board Positions</p> <p>Webmaster: John Shriver</p> <p>Membership Officer:
Alice Searcy</p> <p>Mentor/Novice Program Officer: Henry Smith</p> |
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Selected Photographers and number of entries selected:

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| Alice Searcy (2) | Elizabeth Smith (1) |
| Allen Gary (3) | John Shriver (4) |
| Barbara Hitt (1) | Joy Henderson (1) |
| Barbara Staggs (2) | Julia Gary (2) |
| Bob Schmiedeskamp (1) | Margaret Phillips (3) |
| C.T. Chi (2) | Martha Teal (3) |
| Christopher Baker (2) | Mat Bevill (1) |
| Curt Haskell (1) | Philip Flowers (3) |
| David Edens (1) | Sam Alexander (3) |
| Don Wolfe (3) | Susan Chi (2) |
| Doris Leverett (1) | Virginia Gilbert (1) |
| Ed Townsend (1) | Xavier Adams (1) |

HPS is meeting at Trinity United Methodist Church on the second Monday of the month, 7-9 p.m., and on the fourth Monday, 7-9 p.m.

www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org

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

Upcoming Photo Contest Deadlines

- March 14 - 2023 Birdwatching Magazine Bird Photography Awards - <https://www.birdwatchingdaily.com/photo-contests/photography-awards/>
- March 26 - 2023 National Wildlife Federation Wildlife Photo Contest - https://photocontest.nwf.org/menu-home.aspx?comp_id=F9CCE410-1FE5-4A5C-8435-0F3FF6C7BC12
- March 31 - 2023 Montgomery Art Festival - <https://themontgomeryphotofestival2023.artcall.org/>
- April 15 - 2023 Alabama the Beautiful Magazine Photo Contest - <https://alabamathebeautifulmagazine.com/atbphotocontest2023/>
- July 2 - 2023 Audubon Community Nature Center Nature Photo Contest - <https://www.gogophotocontest.com/acncphotocontest2023>



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2023

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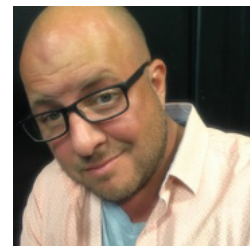
For details, rules, and submission process, click here:
AlabamaTheBeautifulMagazine.com/ATBPhotoContest2023

2023 Winner, Black & White: Beth Thompson, Water Lily at Birmingham Botanical Garden

March 2023 Judge—Patrick Oden Subject—Open

March 27, Trinity United Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m.

In his 10th year as a judge for HPS, Patrick Oden is a seasoned and award winning photojournalist who currently lives in Guntersville, AL. As of January 2018, Patrick has been publishing his own local lifestyle magazine, Lake City Magazine, which allows him the opportunity to photograph just about anything and everything. Street photography remains his favorite genre and he’s always got an eye peeled for great light and a great moment.



We want to thank Patrick for returning, and once again serving as a competition judge for HPS.

You can find examples of his work at <http://patrickodenphotography.com>

February Competition Results Subject—Tombstones/Graveyards Judge—Cindy Shaver

	Color Digital (54)	Monochrome Digital (48)	Color Print (20)	Monochrome Print (20)
1st	Casey Johnson	Chris Baker	Bob Gathany	Eddie Sewall
2nd	Julia Gary	Ed Townsend	Henry Smith	Barbara Staggs
3rd	Bob Gathany	C.T. Chi	Henry Smith	Don Wolfe
HM	Allen Gary	Casey Johnson	Barbara Staggs	Eric Deylius
HM	Casey Johnson	Earl Todd	Don Wolfe	Charles Leverett
HM	Ed Townsend	Julia Gary		
HM	Martha Teal	Mat Bevill		
HM	Susan Chi	Virginia Gilbert		

2023 Competition Topics

3/27— OPEN	6/26— REPETITION	9/25— OUT OF PLACE
4/24— IN THE WOODS	7/24— OPEN	10/23— OPEN
5/22— GRAFFITI	8/21— BOATS AND SHIPS	11/27— DOORS AND WINDOWS

Learning by Doing

By Philip Flowers – Workshop Chairman

I have always believed the best learning tool is action – learning by doing. There are several benefits of hands-on learning including attending workshops and photographic outings. First, it allows photographers to gain practical experience, which can help to build confidence and motivation. Second, it encourages experimentation and creativity, as photographers can try new things and receive feedback from peers and mentors. Third, it provides opportunities to network and connect with other photographers, which can lead to new collaborations, projects, and friendships. Overall, learning by doing is a valuable and essential approach to mastering photography, and workshops and photographic outings can help to facilitate this process.

We have a great line up to start the year and encourage our membership to participate. The schedule for the first 4 months is as follows:

- March 18th an Outing to the North Alabama Railroad Museum. 8:00am to 12:00pm
- April 22nd a Workshop led by Chris Baker at Huntsville Botanical gardens 9:00am to tbd
- May 20th An outing to the Limestone Sheriff's Rodeo. Gates open 6:00
- June 16th A Workshop on Light Painting led by Margaret Philips. Star time sunset

More details to follow on these individual events and future events. Watch our Calendar and our Facebook page for updates.

I would also like to introduce Spontaneous Outings. Outings planned short term as perceived opportunities arise. For example, I am planning to go shoot xyz waterfall this weekend. Who would like to go? Any member can announce a Spontaneous Outing on our Facebook page. These would be informal outings to be managed by the requestor. We hope to make 2023 a great learning experience. Let's do it.

Philip Flowers
Workshop Chairman

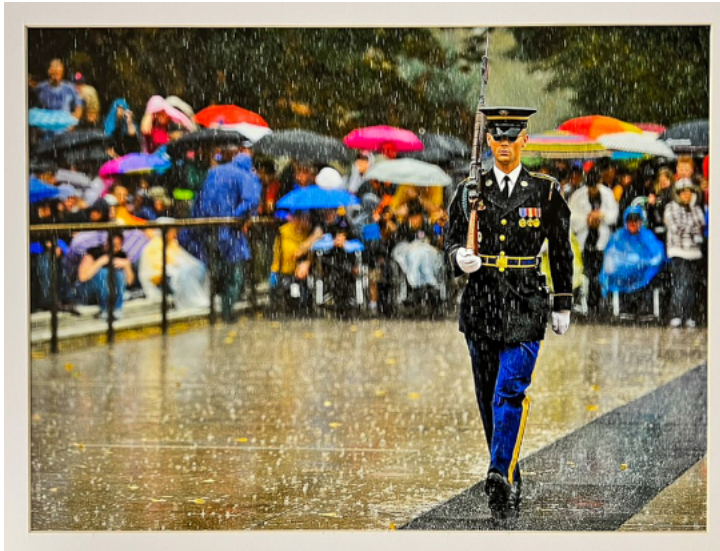
New Members

Julie Botts
 Lamont Brown
 Susan Reed

Points for the Year to Date

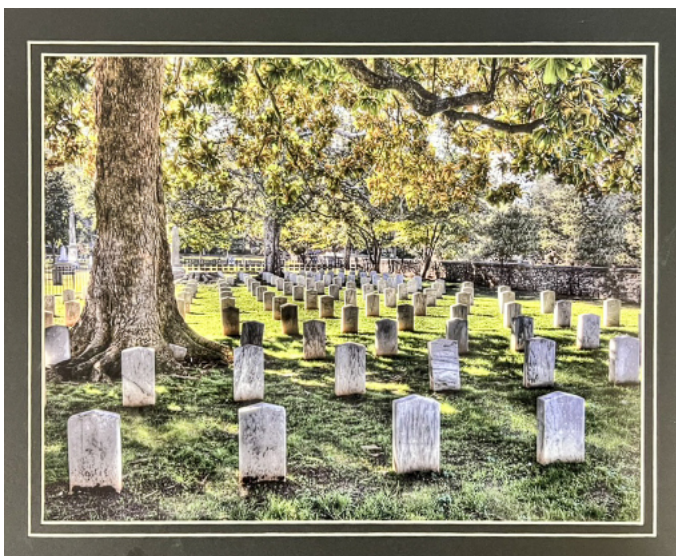
Name	2023 points	2023 Wins
Philip Flowers	15	3
Ed Townsend	10	4
Henry Smith	10	3
Bob Gathany	9	3
Barbara Staggs	7	4
Casey Johnson	7	3
CT Chi	6	2
Julie Gary	5	2
Christopher Baker	5	1
Jack Eidson	5	1
Eddie Sewall	5	1
Charles Leverett	4	2
Martha Teal	4	2
Don Wolfe	4	2
Tom Bryant	4	1
Diana Davidson	4	1
Margaret Phillips	4	1
Susan Chi	3	3
Allen Gary	3	3
John Shriver	2	2
Earl Todd	2	2
Mat Bevill	1	1
Eric Deylius	1	1
Charles Gattis	1	1
Virginia Gilbert	1	1
Alice Searcy	1	1
Bethani Soto	1	1

January 2023 Images



Color Print 1st place
by Bob Gathany

Color Print 2nd place
by Henry Smith



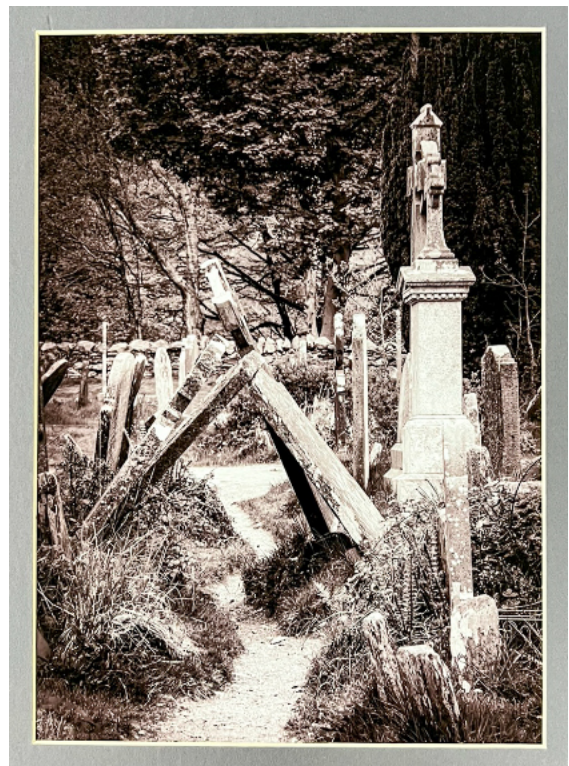
Color Print 3rd place
by Henry Smith

Monochrome Print
1st place
by Eddie Sewall



Monochrome Print
2nd place
by Barbara Staggs

Monochrome Print
3rd place
by Don Wolf





Color Digital 1st place
by Casey Johnson



Color Digital 2nd place
by Julia Gary



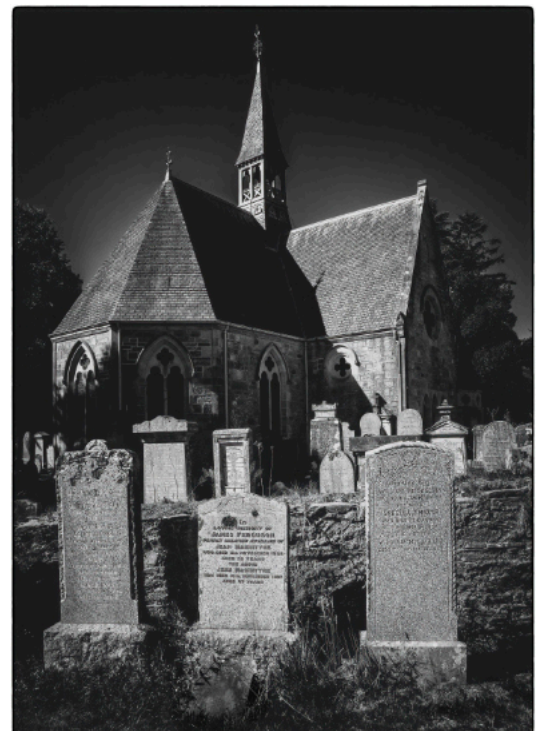
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1st place
by Chris Baker



Monochrome Digital
2nd Place
by Ed Townsend

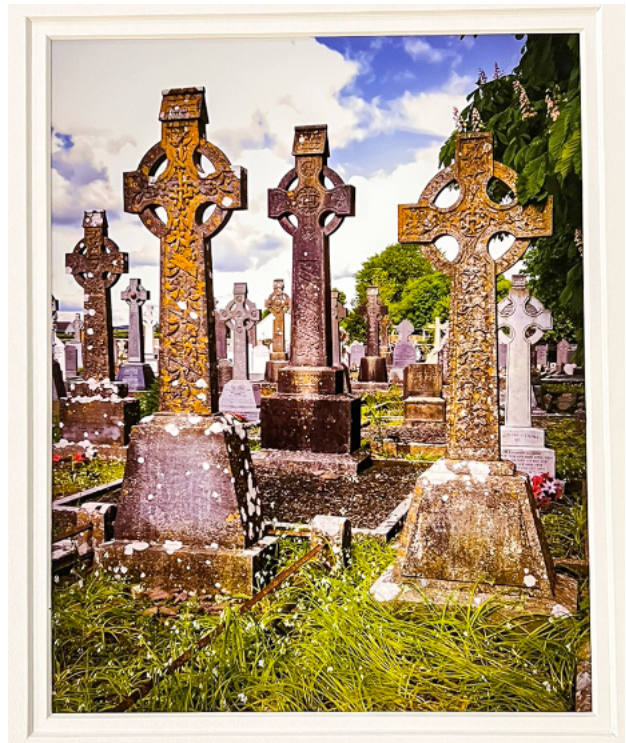
Monochrome Digital
3rd Place
by C.T. Chi



Honorable Mention—Print



Barbara Staggs



Don Wolfe



Charles Leverett



Eric Deylius

Honorable Mention—Digital

Allen Gary



Caesy Johnson



Ed Townsend



Martha Teal



Susan Chi



Caesy Johnson



Earl Todd



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