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In Focus

July Program—Panoramic Photography

By Cecil Holmes

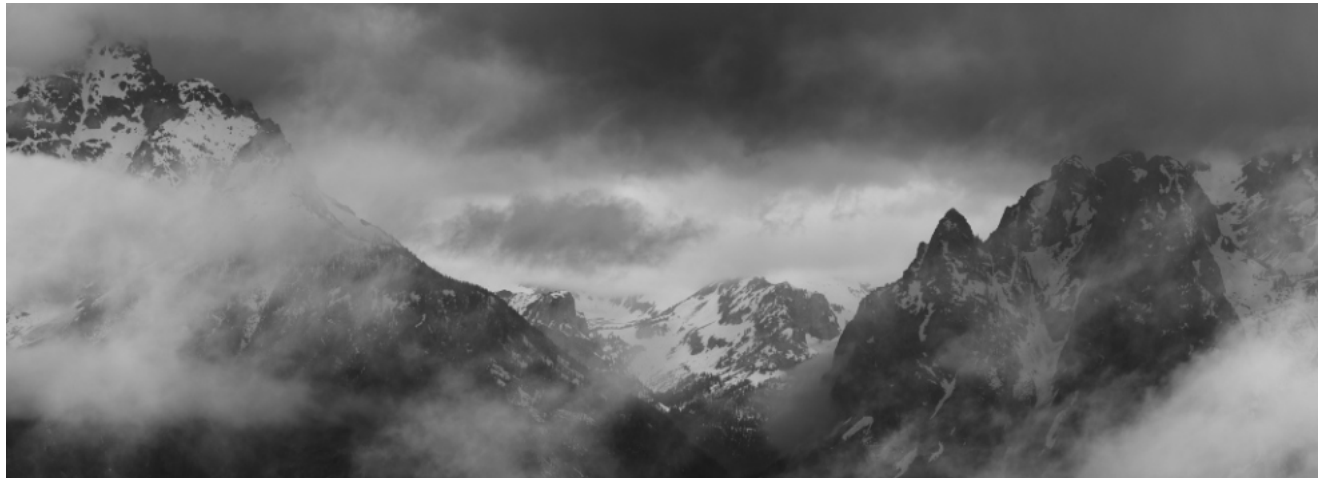
June 10, 2023 Trinity United Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m.



In this presentation, Cecil will discuss the equipment needed for panoramic photography, how to plan and shoot the images in preparation, and how to stitch them together using Adobe Lightroom Classic. He will show you several panoramic images and discuss his thought process behind the composition and creation of each one.

Cecil is a professional outdoor and nature photographer who lives in Huntsville, Alabama. He spends a lot of time traveling and photographing. He has a love for nature, wildlife, and travel.

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Fun with Light Painting

By Chris Baker



A huge thank you to Margaret Phillips for hosting a light painting workshop at her house a few weeks back, as well as thanks to Jennifer Blume for modeling as our rock star/pirate. Margaret has an impressive set of painting tools and the group had a wonderful time learning the array of techniques. Margaret's light painting tutorial slides are available to download from the HPS site at: <https://www.hpsphoto.org/recent-programs/>.

For anyone interested in purchasing their own gear, you can go to <https://lightpaintingbrushes.com/> and use code MBW10 for a 10% discount. And Denis Smith, the creator of the Ball of Light tool, has them for sale on his website: <https://www.denissmith.com.au/tools>.

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Upcoming Photo Contest Deadlines

- July 2 - 2023 Audubon Community Nature Center Nature Photo Contest - <https://www.gogophotocontest.com/acncphotocontest2023>
- July 15 - 2023 Reserve America State Parks Photo Contest - <https://www.stateparksphotocontest.org/americasstateparks>
- Jan 5 - 2024 Sony World Photography Awards - <https://www.worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards>

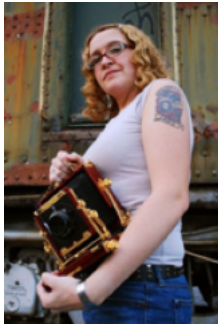
HPS is meeting at Trinity United Methodist Church on the second Monday of the month, 7-9 p.m., and on the fourth Monday, 7-9 p.m.

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



July 2023 Judge—Cara Fuller Subject—Open

July 24, Trinity United Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m.



Cara Fuller is our Judge for the July Competition, “Open.” Cara is no stranger to the Huntsville Photographic Society, as she has been with us as a judge for the last 13 years. She always has helpful comments and our members continuously say that they “learn a lot when Cara is with us.” Cara teaches photography at Athens State University. She received her Masters in Fine Art Photography from Savannah College of Art and Design. Cara is originally from East Aurora, New York. Nature versus man is always a theme of her work. As a fine art photographer, she has recently documented the cars of a single abandoned junkyard—Old Car City. Some of her most identifiable works focus on Old Car City, where trees snake their way through the intricate grills of classic cars and muscle cars become imprisoned in the forest. You can see some of her work at

https://www.etsy.com/shop/CaraFullerPhotos?ref=hdrCara_Fuller_Photography/CARA_FULLER/CARA_FULLER.html

June Competition Results Subject—Repetition Judge—Neville Simpson

	Color Digital (45)	Monochrome Digital (36)	Color Print (20)	Monochrome Print (15)
1st	Casey Johnson	Susan Chi	Earl Todd	Earl Todd
2nd	C.T. Chi	Philip Flowers	Philip Flowers	Barbara Staggs
3rd	Eric Deylius	C.T. Chi	Barbara Staggs	Margaret Phillips
HM	Susan Chi	John Shriver	Tom Bryant	Barbara Staggs
HM	Harold Patton	C.T. Chi	Tom Bryant	Margaret Phillips
HM	Chris Baker	Casey Johnson		
HM	Bob Gathany	Allen Gary		
HM	Earl Todd			

Workshop and Outings Updates–Learn by Doing

By Philip Flowers – Workshop Chairman

As we move into Summer, we have an interesting collection of photo opportunities.

In June, we had a great Workshop on Light Painting hosted by Margaret Phillips. I think everyone had a good time and learned some new skills.

On July 22nd we will have an outing to Rainbow Mountain Nature Preserve. The top of the mountain is pretty easy to navigate and features interesting rock formations including the infamous Balance Rock. Lots of interesting trees and vegetation.

Additional trails going up and down the mountain provide other interesting vistas. Though some of these trails can be challenging. Early morning would be the best. The official start time will be 8:00 am but I plan to be there by 6:30 if anyone wants to join me then. Early morning fog on the mountain can be magical.

On August 19th we will have an outing to Downtown Huntsville at Big Spring Park for a Photographic Scavenger Hunt. Our city has a lot to offer in photographic opportunities which we sometimes take for granted. I would like to challenge everyone who is willing to hunt out at least five topical images from the following suggestions: An Architectural feature, a wildlife image - yes there is wildlife in the park and it is pretty tame so getting close should not be a problem, an image you could categorize as Street Photography, a Cityscape, a flower or flowers, a tree, a storefront, a nostalgic image, an interesting car or vehicle, a panning shot, and a long exposure. Feel free to suggest or include other topics. The goal is for each of us to challenge ourselves with these topics. Hopefully, we will have a large collection of images to share on our Facebook site. I think having some topics in mind will help get our creative juices flowing. Once again, an early start would be preferred. 7:00 am is the suggested start time.

On September 16th at 10:00 am we will have a birding Workshop hosted by Herb Lewis at his home garden. Herb will talk about bird environment and how to attract birds. Chris Baker will talk about the technical nature of photographing birds.

There are more events in the works and we will announce them as we move forward.

2023 Competition Topics

7/24— OPEN	9/25— OUT OF PLACE	11/27— DOORS AND WINDOWS
8/28— BOATS AND SHIPS	10/23— OPEN	

Photo Exhibits

By Tom Bryant

The Huntsville Museum of Art currently has HPS photos exhibited in two galleries. Both close on August 6. One is titled "Beyond the Lens: The Art of the Mysterious" and contains 45 HPS images. The second is titled "Artists Abroad" and contains 18 images from HPS. Some of the images have audio with them that can be accessed by cell phone. Be sure to get the phone number when you arrive.

Another photography-based exhibit that I believe you will really enjoy is "Encounters". The artist is Courtney Egan, who is a New Orleans based. She describes herself as a dedicated ditch-walker, a lens-based flower freak, and a meditative media-maker looking for alternatives. Her projection-based installation closes on September 24. Don't miss it.

Finally, ArtsHuntsville lets us use a portion of their gallery at the VBC. It is intended as a convenient exhibit space for an HPS Fellow to meet the exhibit requirement for the Master level. Even if they have previously exhibited, any member who is a Fellow or above can exhibit. Our current exhibits have been up for far too long. They need to be replaced. Please consider exhibiting there. This region is very near the Concert Hall and gets a lot of traffic. It is safe and has a good hanging system.



Points for the Year to Date

Name	2023 points	2023 Wins
Philip Flowers	32	9
Charles Leverett	28	8
Margaret Phillips	27	9
Bob Gathany	21	7
Ed Townsend	17	6
CT Chi	17	8
Earl Todd	16	6
Barbara Staggs	15	7
Susan Chi	15	9
Eddie Sewall	14	3
Doris Leverett	14	4
Casey Johnson	14	6
Henry Smith	13	6
Christopher Baker	12	4
Tom Bryant	12	5
John Shriver	11	6
Allen Gary	10	6
Julie Gary	9	3
Jack Eidson	9	5
Emily Saile	8	4
Don Wolfe	8	4
Eric Deylius	6	4
Diana Davidson	4	1
David Edens	4	1
Gail Patton	4	1
Martha Teal	4	2
Michael Cox	3	1
Rosemary Davidson	3	1
Barry Freeman	3	3
Jane Reneau	3	3
Mat Bevill	2	2
John Dillingham	2	2
Charles Gattis	2	2
Steve Mitchell	2	2
Alice Searcy	2	2
Virginia Gilbert	1	1
Joy Henderson	1	1
Roger Hunter	1	1
Harold Patton	1	1
Susan Reed	1	1
Bethanie Soto	1	1

June 2023 Images



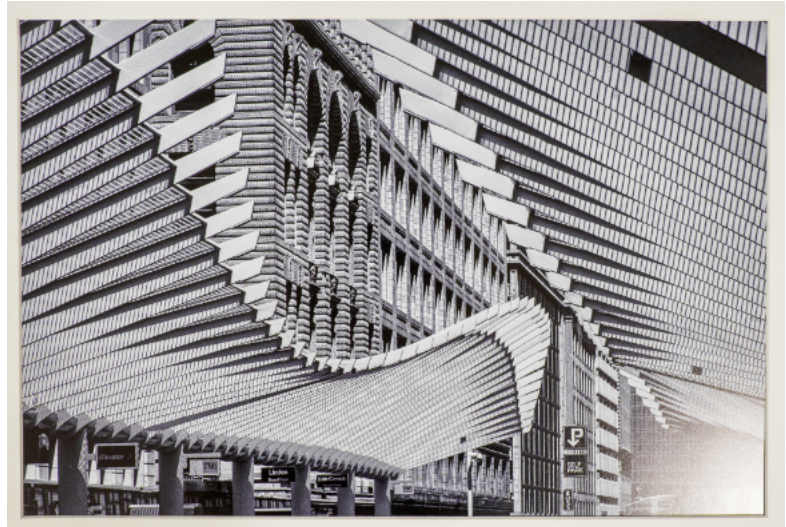
Color Print 1st place
by Earl Todd

Color Print 2nd place
by Philip Flowers



Color Print 3rd place
by Barbara Staggs

Monochrome Print
1st place
by Earl Todd



Monochrome Print
2nd place
by Barbara Staggs



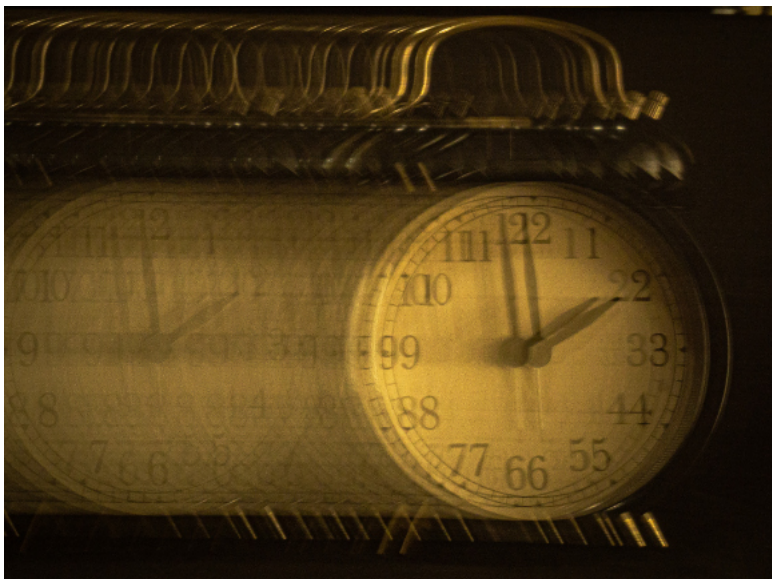
Monochrome Print
3rd place
by Margaret Phillips



Color Digital 1st place
by Casey Johnson



Color Digital 2nd place
by C. T. Chi



Color Digital 3rd place
by Eric Deylius

Monochrome Digital
1st place
by Susan Chi

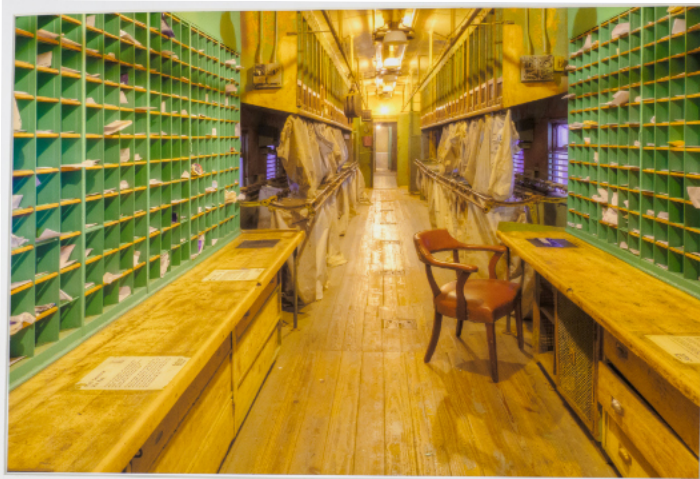


Monochrome Digital
2nd Place
by Philip Flowers

Monochrome Digital
3rd Place
by C. T. Chi



Honorable Mention—Print



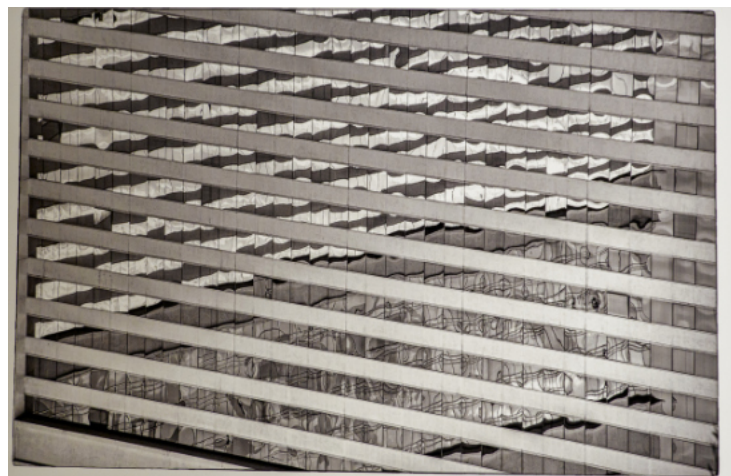
Tom Bryant



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Barbara Staggs

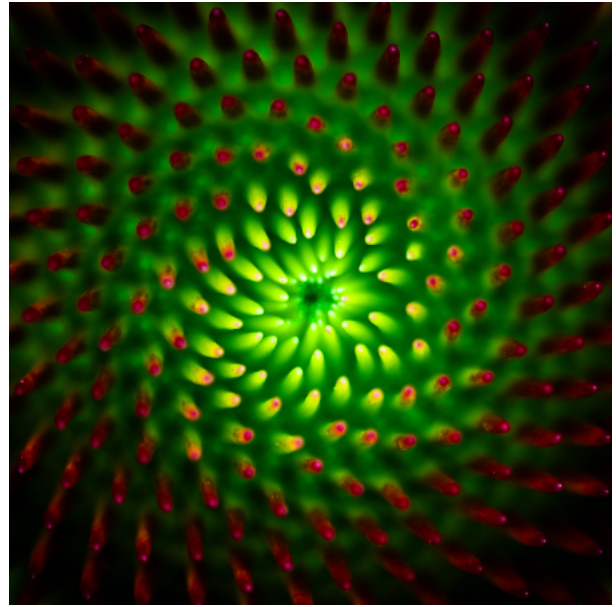


Margaret Phillips

Honorable Mention—Digital



Earl Todd



Chris Baker



Bob Gathany



Harold Patton



Susan Chi



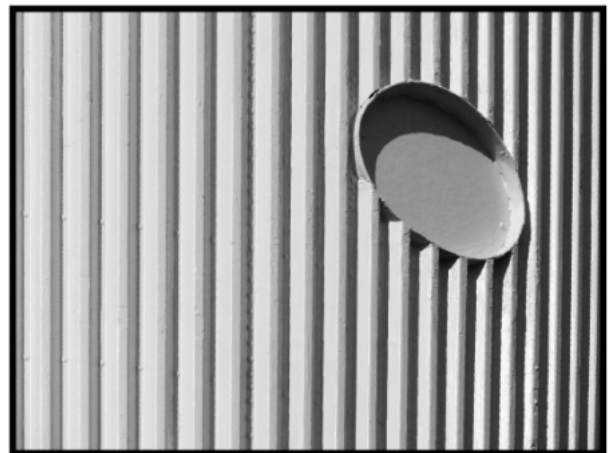
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