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In Focus

April Program—Glacier National Park Trip

Presented By John Sharp

April 14, 2025 GigaParts (Old Burlington Coat Factory Building), 6:30 p.m.

John Sharp will be presenting a program on his recent trip to Glacier National Park. His bio follows:

I started my journey in photography in 2012 by “trying” capture some decent images of my son while he was in competition cheerleading and gymnastics. I failed at this miserably, but I found myself totally obsessed with learning all I could about all genres of photography.

In 2013, I got involved with an online group called “Improve Photography”. This is how I learned to use off camera lighting. This led me into doing sports team portraits for the local recreation center in my area.

In 2014, I started traveling with “Improve Photography” on meet-ups all over the country. During this same year, I started a photography business with my sports portraits which supplied me the funds to buy gear and feed my traveling addiction.



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The next few years my workload with Toyota increased so I scaled back on my portrait business but not my traveling. Over the last several years I have continued my travel photography adventures while limiting myself on the portraits.

I am married with 3 grown kids and 6 grandchildren. I work full time as a production manager at Toyota Motor Manufacture.

Upcoming Photography Classes at GigaParts

Submitted By Chris Baker

Here's a list of upcoming photography classes sponsored by GigaParts. All classes are free, just register at the link provided.

- April 2 - Fundamentals of Infrared Photography by Chris Baker - <https://events.gigaparts.com/events/gigapartshuntsville/1468071?>
- April 16 - Photography 101 by Chris Baker - <https://events.gigaparts.com/events/gigapartshuntsville/1625284?>
- May 7 - Photography 102 by Chris Baker - <https://events.gigaparts.com/events/gigapartshuntsville/1625286?>
- May 21 - Photography 201 by Chris Baker - <https://events.gigaparts.com/events/gigapartshuntsville/1625292?>
- June 12 - Post-processing Fundamentals by Chris Baker - <https://events.gigaparts.com/events/gigapartshuntsville/1625300?>

Additionally, I'll be doing a Lightroom 101 Program for the Quad Cities Photo Club in Florence. It is scheduled for June 10th at 6:30pm at the Kennedy Douglas Center for the Arts located at 217 East Tuscaloosa Street, Florence AL 35630. It is open to the public.

Upcoming Photo Contest Deadlines

- May 25 - 2025 Nature Photographer of the Year - https://naturephotographeroftheyear.com/?utm_source=mailchimp&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newsletternpoty25032025&mc_cid=e8afb85f6a
- June 15 - 2025 Black and White Photo Awards - <https://bwphotoawards.com/en/>
- June 23 - 2025 Epson Pano Awards - <https://thepanoawards.com/>
- June 30 - 2025 Audubon Community Nature Center Photo Contest - <https://www.gogophotocontest.com/acncphotocontest2025>
- June 30 - 2026 World Nature Photography Awards - <https://www.worldnaturephotographyawards.com/nature-photography-competition-enter-now>

HPS is meeting at GigaParts on the second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., and on the fourth Monday, 6:30 p.m.

www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org

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

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Upcoming Programs

Submitted By Paul Hauser

- May will be Chris Baker with a program on Introduction to Infrared Photography.
- June will be Dusty Doddridge and be on Art of Black and White in the Landscape.
- July will be a Zoom presentation with Mark Battistra with a presentation on the artistry of Still Life Photography.

Camera and Lens Rentals

Submitted by Chris Baker

For those wanting to test out a new mirrorless camera body or lens, the GigaParts rental rates are outlined in the chart to the right.

Rental Rates

Cameras	1 Day	3 Days	7 Days
Nikon Z7	\$80+	\$165+	\$280+
Nikon Z8	\$100+	\$225+	\$350+
Sony AIII	\$55+	\$105+	\$190+
Sony AIV	\$80+	\$165+	\$280+
Canon R5	\$100+	\$225+	\$350+
Canon R6 MarkII	\$80+	\$165+	\$280+

Lenses	1 Day	3 Days	7 Days
Nikon Nikkor Z 24-70	\$70+	\$140+	\$245+
Nikon Nikkor Z 70-200	\$85+	\$175+	\$297.50+
Sony FE 24-70	\$70+	\$140+	\$245+
Sony FE 70-200	\$85+	\$175+	\$297.50+
Canon RF 24-70	\$70+	\$140+	\$245+
Canon RF 70-200	\$85+	\$175+	\$297.50+

Laptops	Weekly	Monthly
Lenovo ThinkPad	\$45+	\$75+
Dell Latitude	\$45+	\$75+

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2025/6 Competition Topics

26-MAY-BOTANICALS (PLANTS)	25-AUG-FORMATIONS	2026
23-JUN-N. ALABAMA/ S. TENN	22-SEP-MOUNTAINS & VALLEYS	26-JAN-LEAVES & PETALS
28-JUL-OPEN	27-OCT-OPEN	23-FEB-PATTERNS
	24-NOV-HUMOR	23-MAR-OPEN

Camera Gear for Sale

Submitted By Chris Baker

One of our HPS Judges, Dennis Kiem, has some gear for sale. If interested, please contact him at dkeos1@mac.com

Lenses

****All lenses have been Canon USA Factory Serviced****

Canon EF 70-200mm F/2.8 IS II USM - \$ 1,650.00 (#9700001975)

Canon EF 300mm f/4L USM - \$ 559.00 (#121252)

Canon EF 100-400mm F/4.5-5.6L IS USM - \$ 825.00 (#283232)

Canon EF 85mm F1.2 II USM - \$ 789.00 (#46284)

All come with lens hood, body caps and lens cases

Frames and Glass

GLASS - \$ 562.50

Size and Quantity

8x10 - 45 / \$ 2.00 (\$ 90.00)

11x14 - 10 / \$ 3.00 (\$ 30.00)

12x16 - 48 / \$ 4.00 (\$ 192.00)

16x20 - 5 / \$ 5.50 (\$ 27.50)

18x24 - 25 / \$ 7.00 (\$ 175.00)

24x24 - 4 / \$ 12.00 (\$ 48.00)

Nelisen Metal Aluminum Frame - \$600.00

\$66.00 / \$78.00 / \$ 456.00 = \$ 600.00

7/16" / Pairs (PC)

Size / Pair / Total Quantity

WHITE - \$ 66.00

18" - 3 PC (6) - \$10.00 (\$30.00)

24" - 3 PC (6) - \$12.00 (\$36.00)

GOLD - \$78.00

14" - 2 PC (4) - \$8.00 (\$16.00)

15" - 2 PC (4) - \$8.00 (\$16.00)

16" - 2 PC (4) - \$8.00 (\$16.00)

18" - 2 PC (4) - 10.00 (\$20.00)

20" - 1 PC (2) - \$ 10.00

BLACK - \$ 456.00

12 - 4 PC (16) - \$8.00 (\$32.00)

14" - 1 PC (2) - \$8.00 (\$ 8.00)

16" - 4 PC (16) - \$8.00 (\$32.00)

17" - 8 PC (16) - \$8.00 (\$ 64.00)

18" - 1 PC (2) - \$10.00 (\$10.00)

20" - 8 PC (16) - \$10.00 (\$80.00)

22" - 11 PC (22) - \$10.00 (\$110.00)

26" - 10PC (22) - \$ 12.00 (\$120.00)

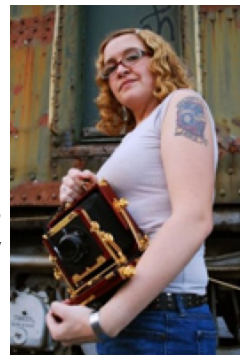
Dennis will also have studio lights for sale. Inquire with him if interested.

April 2025 Judge—Cara Fuller

Subject—Architectural

April 28, GigaParts (Old Burlington Coat Factory Building), 6:30 p.m.

Cara Fuller is our Judge for the April Competition, “Architectural.” Cara is no stranger to the Huntsville Photographic Society, as she has been with us as a judge for the last 14 years. She always has helpful comments and our members continuously say that they “learn a lot when Cara is with us”. 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 travels the country documenting the cars forgotten about in long ago closed junkyards, everywhere from northern Minnesota to Florida. 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

March Competition Results

Subject—Open

Judge—Herb Stokes

	Color Digital (63)	Monochrome Digital (53)	Color Print (26)	Monochrome Print (24)
1st	Tom Johnson	Trevor Hall	John Dillingham	Charles Leverett
2nd	Chris Baker	Carol Eidson	John Shriver	Doris Leverett
3rd	Chris Baker	Carolyn Spinoso	Henry Smith	Doris Leverett
HM	Trevor Hall	William Farnsworth	Emily Saile	Michael Cox
HM	Tom Johnson	Philip Flowers	Charles Leverett	Joy Henderson
HM	Riley Garrett	Jack Eidson	Kate Deal	
HM	Casey Johnson	Chris Baker		
HM	Brad Lackey	Chris Baker		
HM	Alice Searcy			

Free Glass

Submitted by: Barbara Staggs

A friend of mine has some picture glass she is no longer using. She is willing to donate it to anyone who wants it. They should contact Debbie Clark at <dclark16social@outlook.com>

Three 1/4 inch black metal picture frames with glass:

16 x 20.5

14 x 18.5

15.25 x 19 5

Glass only:

14.25 x 17.75

19 x 24.75

17.75 x 24.75

Qty 3 11 x 14

12 x 14.5

11 x 14

HPS Past President Passed Away

Submitted By Sam Tumminello

We are sorry to report the passing of Barry Jackson and send our condolences to his family and friends. We recently learned he passed on January 9th, 2025, following a lengthy stay in NHC Lawrenceburg rehabilitation center after suffering a severe stroke in 2017 at his home in Tennessee. After leaving the center he continued to have health issues until he passed.

Prior to his stroke he operated a photographic business in Lawrenceburg and often taught photography. He specialized in photographing in the Amish community near his home having gained the confidence of an Amish family who allowed him to photograph them. Barry produced and sold prints in regional art events and many people have his photographs in their collection. Some of his prints are currently available to see on eBay.

Although Barry lived in Lawrenceburg, he would travel to our meetings in Huntsville. He was a formidable competitor. He enjoyed our competitions and was a frequent winner. Barry was an avid photographer and a Huntsville Photographic Society Master. He often presented programs and was always willing to share his expertise with the membership. In 2002 he and David Blue served as co-presidents of HPS. Later, he was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the Huntsville Photographic Society. Always a teacher, his sage advice lives on (even though color slides are not currently relevant) in "Barry Jackson's Hints for Placing in HPS Competitions," see the HPS website "Competitions/Tips" to read and appreciate his advice.

His hints end with – "Don't get discouraged. If you don't place, or don't place often enough, or don't place high enough, you can improve. Ask some of the other members to help."

Workshops and Outings

By Philip Flowers – Workshop Chairman

On April 5th we will have a workshop at Sparkman High School with Eric Mittman on portrait lighting and posing. This will also be a two-hour event. On April 26th we will have an outing /workshop at Huntsville Botanical Gardens. Details to come. In May we will have an outing to Sloss Furnace in Birmingham on May 10th. More details to come. On May 17th there will be an outing to the Limestone Sheriffs Rodeo in Athens. Again more details to come.

We learn by doing. Happy shooting.

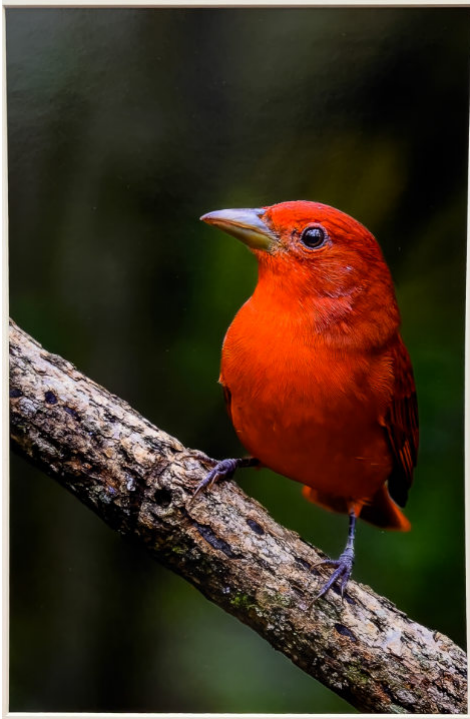
Points for the Year to Date

New Members

Stephen Wright

Name	2025 Points	2025 Wins
Chris Baker	20	10
Doris Leverett	20	6
Philip Flowers	15	5
Charles Leverett	11	4
Jack Eidson	11	3
John Dillingham	10	3
Barbara Staggs	9	2
Trevor Hall	7	3
Thomas Johnson	7	3
Emily Saile	7	3
Joy Henderson	6	4
Allen Gary	6	2
Alice Searcy	5	3
Carolyn Eidson	5	2
Bill Farnsworth	5	2
Julie Gary	5	2
John Shriver	5	2
Philip Hallmark	4	2
Carolyn Spinoso	4	2
Mike Cook	4	1
Henry Smith	3	1
Cecilia Yarborough	3	1
Mat Bevill	2	2
Casey Johnson	2	2
Jim Spinoso	2	2
Tom Bryant	1	1
Susan Chi	1	1
Michael Cox	1	1
Kate Deal	1	1
Eric Deylius	1	1
Riley Garrett	1	1
Brad Lackey	1	1
Eddie Sewall	1	1
Don Wolfe	1	1

March 2025 Images



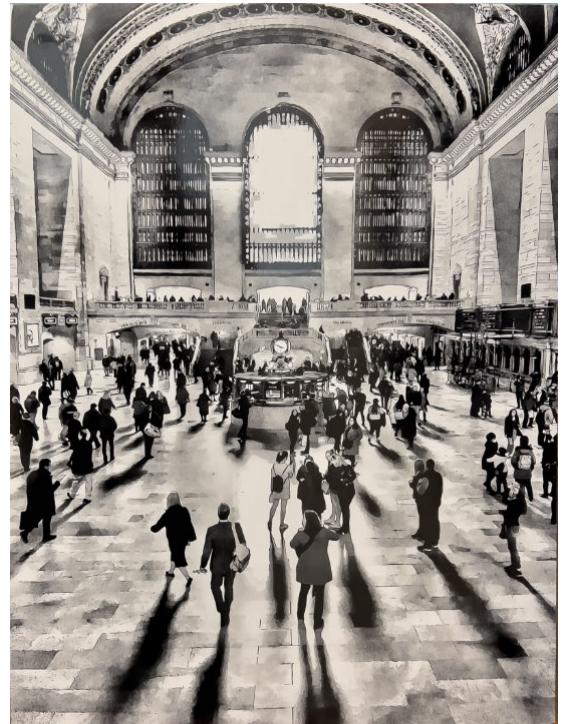
Color Print 1st place
by John Dillingham

Color Print 2nd place
by John Shriver



Color Print 3rd place
by Henry Smith

Monochrome Print
1st place
by Charles Leverett



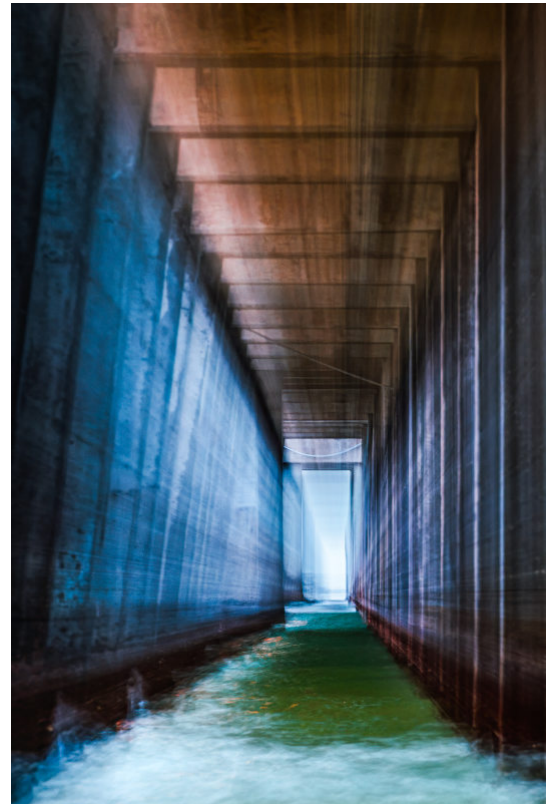
Monochrome Print
2nd place
by Doris Leverett

Monochrome Print
3rd place
by Doris Leverett

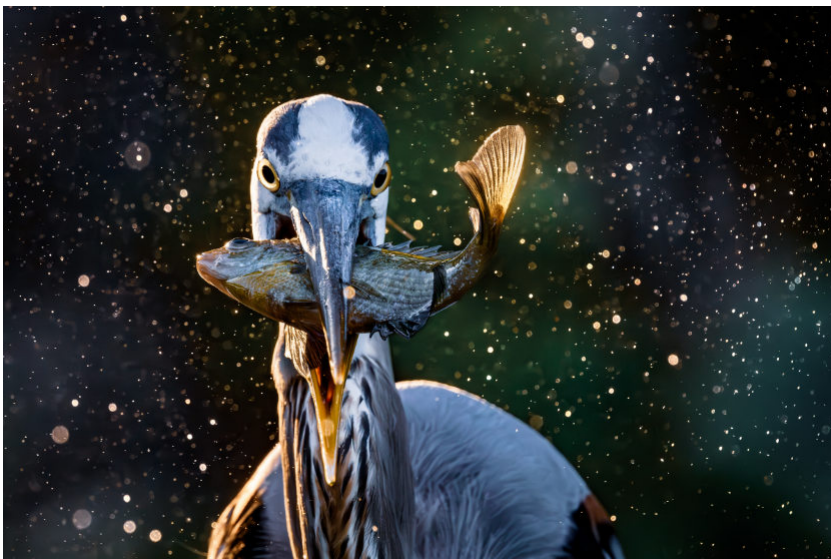




Color Digital
1st place
by Tom Johnson



Color Digital
2nd place
by Chris Baker



Color Digital 3rd
place
by Chris Baker

Monochrome
Digital 1st place
by Trevor Hall



Monochrome Digital
2nd place
by Carol Eidson

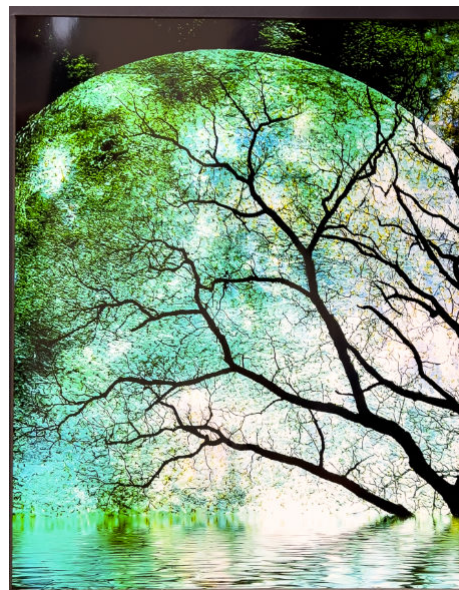
Monochrome Digital
3rd place
by Carolyn Spinoso



Honorable Mention—Print



Emily Saile



Charles Leverett



Kate Deal



Michael Cox

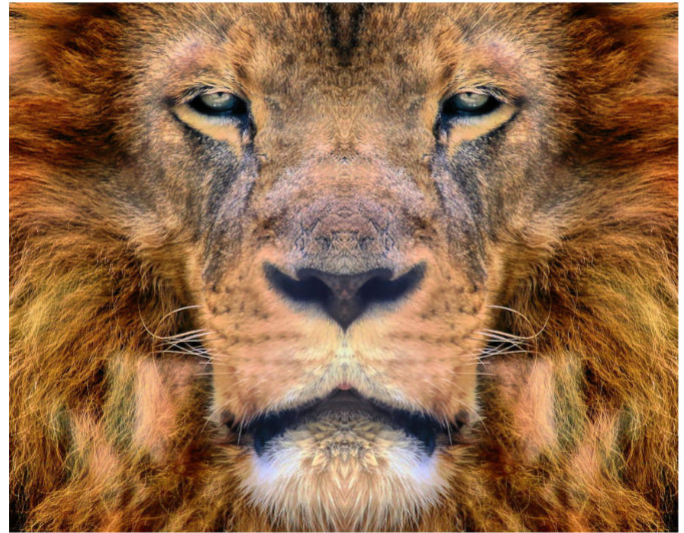
Joy
Henderson



Honorable Mention—Digital



Trevor Hall



Tom Johnson



Riley Garrett

Casey Johnson





Brad Lackey



Alice Searcy



William Farnsworth



Philip Flowers



Jack Eidson

Chris Baker



Chris Baker