



HUNTSVILLE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY
 VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER 700 MONROE ST. HUNTSVILLE, AL. 35801

July Program

Our thanks to Tom and Pat Cory for a wonderful presentation on Creative Composition. (See President's message for more details.)

July Competition Results

Our thanks to Mike McCormick for his critiques of the "A Single Tree" competition. He chose the following:

	<u>Color Prints</u>	<u>B&W Prints</u>	<u>Slides</u>
1st	Barbara Staggs	Barry Jackson	Dan Lighton
2nd	Lisa Stewart	Ron Romej	Bill Self
3rd	Barry Jackson	Ron Romej	Joe Boyd
HM	Bill Reynolds	Elsabe Webster	David Blue
HM	Don Bennett	Ron Romej	Joe Boyd
HM	Virginia Gilbert	-	Barbara Staggs
HM	Lisa Stuart	-	-

August Program Topic

Jennifer Tarkington will present a comparison between portraits for Fine Art and Commercial photography.

August Competition

The August competition topic is "Flowers". Our judge will be Steve Cassidy, owner/operator of Professional Photographic Services of Huntsville.

Members News

-Monica Martin just returned from the PPA 1999 national convention in Atlanta. She has recently passed the certification requirements to be certified by their organization for Portraits and Weddings (written test and 10 photos from different sittings judged to meet their standard of competency). So now she can refer to herself as Monica Martin, PPA Certified.

-Monica Martin has also recently been juried into a fine art exhibit on the web. "TheSight" is an online exhibition featuring the work of fine art photographers from around the world, curated by Mark Sink who is currently the interim director and curator at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Denver. Her work is in Gallery Five at www.thesight.com

-Barbara Staggs (your president) and husband, Willie, are still freezing in Colorado and dodging mud slides. We're all looking forward to her spectacular pictures from this trip!

Welcome New Members

-Dan Lighton
-Padraic Major
-Wendell Rogers

Featured Photographer of the Month

We didn't have a Featured Photographer in July because of the Cory's presentation. Bill Reynolds will be our August photographer of the month.

From The President

I hope you all enjoyed the **Corys presentation** on July 12. Just in case you missed it, here's a summary. Tom showed various ways of getting creative with our compositions. This included using a lens you might not usually use for the situation, using long exposures or multiple exposures for creative effects, approaching the subject from various angles and when shooting sunsets or sunrises turn completely around to see what's happening behind you. Pat presented selections from her new book, "Chattanooga and Beyond", which featured many off the beaten path locations for photography within 75 miles of the Chattanooga area. If you still want to purchase a book you can contact me or Carol Blue to get in touch with the Corys.

HPS Darkroom HPS has equipped a darkroom in the Von Braun Center for members' use. You supply your own paper, chemicals, etc. If you are interested in using it please contact Barbara Staggs for more information. Also we would like to determine if it is getting much use now. It will help us make a decision about maintaining it. So if you are presently using it please let Barbara or one of the other Board members know either by e-mail, phone or at the Aug. 23 meeting.

Novice Class-Also it was mentioned at the early July meeting that some members might like to have a novice competition level for those people just starting out. We would start in Jan. and would still have details to work out but I would like to know how many would be interested in competing at this level. If the

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member had a certain number of wins they would move up to the next level. Let me know if you are interested so that we can decide whether it would be worthwhile to implement.

Southerlands Top Five: Don't forget that Southerland Photo sponsors a Top Five contest. The five Competition entrants who have accumulated the most points in our monthly competitions by December will receive gift certificates to be used at Southerlands.

Things of Interest

-The Photography-Poetry Project is going on display next week at the Alabama Writers' Conclave in Montavello.

-UAH Photo Shop Seminar--Keith Jones tells us that the UAH Photo Shop Seminar will be up and coming some time in the mid- to late- fall. For more information please contact Keith at home 771-0437 or at UAH-890-6114, email joneskt@email.uah.edu

-Spring City Cycling Club is having a bike race on August 14 & 15. Saturday's race is a road race near the Jetplex (start is very early in the morning). Sunday's events are many sprint races downtown near the new art museum. I think these sprint races start fairly early too. The Club already has some of our members lined up to do photos for them, but this might be a good photo op for those of you who enjoy sports photography. Contact Darren Reed, darren.reed@msfc.nasa.gov or mo5hawk@traveller.com, 544-1548 work, 518-9611 home for more information.

-HPS has an online gallery on which members can have pictures published. See Roberto Puon (roberto @traveller.com) for details.

-Editors Request: If you would like to receive your newsletter by email please contact us. Let us know if you also want a surface mailed copy. If you are currently receiving a newsletter by email and would rather receive it by surface mail please contact us before the next mailing (end of month).

The Huntsville Nature Photography

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1999 Competition Topics

Month	Topic
August	Flowers
September	Open
October	Scenes of Huntsville
November	Humorous
December	Best of the Year Competition
January 2000	Seasons

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Newsletter Deadline

--Deadline for articles/information to be included in the next issue of the Leader is 9 PM Friday after the 4th Monday of each month. Contact David or Carol Blue.

Southerland's Specials of the Month

Dog Days sales in progress at Southerlands.