



March Program

The March "Show and Tell" meeting seemed to be a great success. Sam Tumminello intrigued us with some prints he had done with Polaroid emulsion transfer. Looks like it would be fun to play with. We enjoyed seeing the other great slides and prints from Pat Gardner, Peter Grant, Carol and David Blue, Lowell Skidmore and others. I hope everyone benefited from the critiques from our knowledgeable crew.

March Competition Results

Our thanks to Lew Campbell for his critiques of the "Animals" competition. His choices were:

<u>Color Prints</u>	<u>B&W Prints</u>	<u>Slides</u>
1st Barry Jackson	Pat Garner	Elsabe Webster
2nd David Blue	Barry Jackson	Elsabe Webster
3rd Emily Saile	Barry Jackson	Barbara Staggs
HM Peter Grant	Elsabe Webster	Guy McAllister
HM David Blue		Emily Saile
HM Joy Henderson	Barbara Staggs	
HM Judy Fleming		

April Program Topic

We will be viewing a Nature Photography Workshop video by John Shaw. This workshop is "Understanding Exposure". It includes such topics as "Exposure Controls", "Understanding the Range of Tones", and "Non-Medium Tone Subjects". These techniques are appropriate to all types of photography, not just nature photography.

April Competition

The April competition topic is "Open". Our judge will be photographer, Doug Brewster of Brewster Commercial Photography in Huntsville.

Members News

Congratulations!
 -The March issue of the PSA Journal has two stereo images on the cover, one of which was made by Lee Pratt. Entitled "Sky Photo Cube", it was the second place winner in the 1998 PSA Stereo Image of the Year competition. It was judged at the 1998 PSA Annual Conference in Orlando.

-Pat Engle Cole has three acceptances in the Tennessee Valley Arts Center "Photography 99" juried show. All three are color prints.
 -Also, past HPS president, Garth Fraser had four color prints accepted and was awarded both a first place and honorable mention in the color category. The juror Sonja Rieger, was chair of the Department of Art and Art History at the University of Alabama in Birmingham from 1991 to 1997. The works of twenty-six artists are on exhibit in the show. There were 150 entries and 75 acceptances. Accepted entries came from as far as Oregon. The show continues through April 11th. The museum, located at 511 N. Water Street in Tusculumbia, Alabama, is open Mon. - Fri. 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Sunday 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, it is closed on Saturday.

Welcome New Members

Darren & Tracey Reed
 Michael Roberts
 Joy Henderson
 Note: If we miss your name, please let us know and we'll include you next month!--The Editors

Featured Photographer of the Month

Our Featured Photographer was Fred Stevenson who showed us interesting slides, some of which he had taken years ago overseas.
 Ann Wynn, a new member, will be our April featured photographer.

From The President

We will be discussing and voting on the digital imaging proposal at the April meeting . . . The HPS Board recommends that for the remainder of 1999 any prints or slides produced digitally should be entered in one of the three appropriate existing competition categories; B&W, color print or slide. The original image and any modifications of the original image must be made by the entrant. Also the original image must be from a camera, digital or conventional.
 There were two main reasons for this decision. First, it would not be fair to start a new category in the

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middle of the year. Second, it is very difficult to draw a line between digitally printed and digitally enhanced images. We propose seeing how this works out for 1999 and reserving judgment until later in the year for the categories for 2000."

Southerland's Top Five Challengers

Southerland's Photo is again sponsoring the Southerland's Top Five Competition for 1999. The first five members who have totaled the most points for the year in our monthly competitions from Jan. 1999 through Nov. 1999 will receive gift certificates to be used at Southerland's. If you are not in the top five now you still have lots of time to catch up. Standing through the March Competition are:

- Barry Jackson, 31
- Elsabe Webster, 19
- Emily Saile, 17
- Barbara Staggs, 13
- David Blue, 10

Things of Interest

- For Kodak info and freebies check out their website at www.kodak.com and join their group.
- If you are traveling and want to find the best places to take photos see www.phototravel.com. They put out a newsletter called Photo Traveler Newsletter and also publish guides to the best scenic and wildlife areas in North America.
- Here is an excellent gallery site: www.afterimagegallery.com

The Huntsville Nature Photography Society

meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Charles Stone Agricultural Building on Cook Avenue at 7PM.

1999 Competition Topics

Month	Topic
April	Open (any subject)
May	Buildings
June	Water
July	A Single Tree
August	Flowers
September	Open
October	Scenes of Huntsville
November	Humorous

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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 Tuesday after the 4th Monday of each month. Contact David or Carol Blue (below).

Southerland's Specials of the Month

Saturday, April 17, 9-4, LEICA DAY--the Leica representative and factory technician will be here all day with equipment and free Leica tests.