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Meets first and third Tuesdays of each month at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet near Hillcroft

Field Trips

This month there are two fields trips to enjoy.

April 22—High Island Spring Migration

April 29—Westbury Community Garden

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Program—April 18

Joe Smith: Taking versus Seeing: Making Your Photography More Creative and Artistic

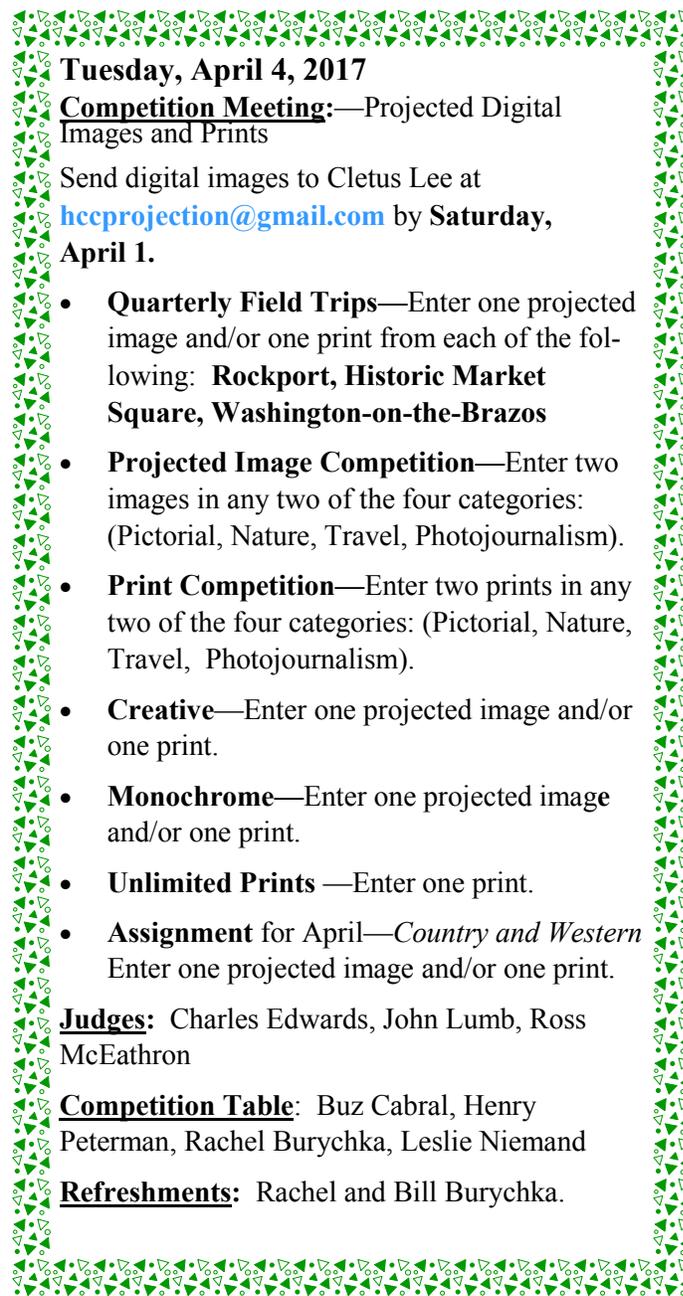
Move away from just taking images and move to creating meaningful images for yourself and for others. Capturing emotive images requires proper techniques, the right equipment, and proper camera settings.

His presentation will include images on a variety of subjects to illustrate his points. He will use landscapes from Alaska, Monument Valley, Canyon de Chelly, birds and nature images from Texas and Africa, and possibly some macro images.

Joe is a well-known local photographer. He is a member of Houston Photochrome Club and several other Houston photography organizations. He is a Houston Audubon board member. He has won several Coastal Bend Wildlife Photo Contests and was a top Valley Land Fund Photographer. His images have also been published in a variety of publications.

Lisa Auerbach, Assisting Program Chair

Refreshments: Lisa and Marc Auerbach



Tuesday, April 4, 2017

Competition Meeting:—Projected Digital Images and Prints

Send digital images to Cletus Lee at hccprojection@gmail.com by **Saturday, April 1.**

- **Quarterly Field Trips**—Enter one projected image and/or one print from each of the following: **Rockport, Historic Market Square, Washington-on-the-Brazos**
- **Projected Image Competition**—Enter two images in any two of the four categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism).
- **Print Competition**—Enter two prints in any two of the four categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism).
- **Creative**—Enter one projected image and/or one print.
- **Monochrome**—Enter one projected image and/or one print.
- **Unlimited Prints** —Enter one print.
- **Assignment** for April—*Country and Western* Enter one projected image and/or one print.

Judges: Charles Edwards, John Lumb, Ross McEathron

Competition Table: Buz Cabral, Henry Peterman, Rachel Burychka, Leslie Niemand

Refreshments: Rachel and Bill Burychka.

Calendar—Upcoming Activities

April 4	Competition Meeting
April 18	Program Meeting
April 22	High Island
April 29	Westbury Community Gardens

Upcoming Assignments

May Posed Portrait Nothing casual. Indoors or out. Get your favorite guy or gal to stand still and click away.

June Macro / Close-up The world up close with whatever lens you have.

July Beach Scene Whatever you come across on your next trip to the beach



Prague and the Charles Bridge

By: Glenn Sternes

2017 Architectural Award Winner

Glenn Sternes won the Earl Gilbert Memorial Architectural Contest for 2017 with his image, Prague and the Charles Bridge. The contest was judged by Richard Payne at March's Program meeting. Congratulations, Glenn.

Local Photographic Events

Galveston FeatherFest April 6—9

There are many photographic opportunities at FeatherFest. And, there is a dedicated nature photography track. Activities include expert-led excursions. Check GalvestonFeatherFest.com for additional details and to register.

Wildlife Photographer of the Year Through June 4 at HMNS

This exhibit, on loan from the Natural History Museum in London, has the 100 winning images from an international competition with almost 50,000 entries. Admission to the exhibit is free with general admission to the museum.

GSCCC 2017 Convention—Forth Worth

Thursday, May 4th - Sunday, May 7th

April 1 is the deadline For Early Registration. See www.gulfstatesccc.org/convention-1 for information.

It will be held at The Marriott at Champions Circle, 3300 Champions Parkway in Fort Worth. There is a special conference rate of \$99.00 per night with online registration through April 24.

Registration for the convention is \$65 before April 1, and then \$75.

A number of members are going. We hope to see you there.

2016-2017 Yearbook

The yearbook is available to be picked up. If you don't have your copy yet, see **Leslie Niemand**. If you would also like a PDF copy, let Leslie know via email.

Yearbook Thank You

It took a lot of members working behind the scenes to produce the club yearbook. **Gwen Kunz** was in charge of the yearbook and oversaw all aspects of its production. She chose the member, **Evelyn Sandler**, whose image was featured on the cover. Both Gwen and **Marcia Raskin** worked with Evelyn to select an image to fit the space, then developed the completed cover including the title placement and Marcia printed it.

During the year, **Henry Peterman** took pictures. This year, **Leslie Niemand** handled the production of the interior of the yearbook, collecting and organizing the information included and the images of members and printing it. Leslie and **John Niemand** assembled the book. **Bill Burychka** took the completed results and produced the PDF of it.

Thanks to you all.

Photographer Saying:

A good photograph is one that communicates a fact, touches the heart and leaves the viewer a changed person for having seen it. It is, in a word, effective.

Irving Penn

Member News

New Members: Diane Eubanks joined the club in January. She is using Canon equipment and is an experienced photographer. She is interested in travel, nature and landscape photography. Please welcome Diane when you see her.

Field Trip—April 22

High Island Spring Migration

Everyone plan to meet at the entrance to Boy Scout Woods (2089 5th St, High Island 77623) at 8:00 a.m. Travel time from Bayland Community Center is about 2 hours via I-10 OR 2.5 hours (plus ferry wait time) via I-45 and Galveston. Since the trip is some distance from Houston, it is suggested that you carpool.

The Houston Audubon operates these world renown birding sites. There is a day fee of \$8.00 or an optional season pass for \$30.00. Please be prepared to purchase one or the other at the kiosk at Boy Scout Woods. In addition to Boy Scout Woods, we can also visit Smith Oaks, the largest sanctuary at High Island and home to the Rookery. Here, egrets nest a few feet from birding blinds and alligators wait patiently. There are two other birding sanctuaries at High Island. If time permits, these may be included.

The St. Matthew's United Methodist Church in High Island (1308 Weeks Ave.) will sell delicious BBQ lunches every Saturday in April from 11 a.m. until the food is gone. Lunch includes BBQ and all the fixin's for \$12 per plate. You can also plan to bring your own picnic lunch. There are not many opportunities to buy lunch in High Island.

There will be a sign up sheet at the April competition meeting. Please plan to sign up for this trip or send me your information including cell phone (hccprojection@gmail.com) and whether you plan to pack a lunch or take advantage of the BBQ. You can reach me by cell phone or text. My cell phone is in the club yearbook. However, note that cell phone coverage could be spotty going to High Island.

More information on the High Island Birding Sanctuaries can be found at houstonaudubon.org/sanctuaries/high-island/

In addition to your camera, plan to bring a long lens (300mm equivalent or greater) if you have one, a tripod, your birding binoculars, bird field guides and insect spray.

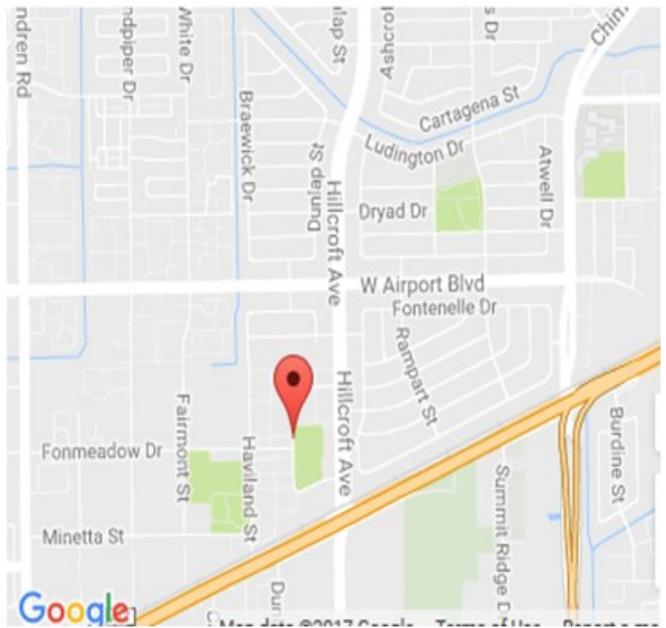
Cletus Lee, Field Trip Chair

Field Trip—April 29

Westbury Community Garden

Meet us between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 in the garden. The photographic opportunities here are numerous. Flowers, vegetables, bees, other small insects and critters, even people are a possibility. There are 62 beds growing different vegetables and plants. Be sure to bring a macro or close-up lens. Tripods are allowed.

The garden is located at 12581 Dunlap in Houston, west of Hillcroft, between W. Airport and S. Main. From Hillcroft, turn west onto Alvarado, and proceed around the curve. The garden will be on your left. Turn into the garden and park where you can.



Mardi Gras Reveler

By: Ramiro Sanchez

March Competition Results

Judged March 7, 2017

Judges: John Niemand, Ramiro Sanchez, Glenn Sternes

Projected Images

Pictorial Category – 14 entries

1 st (21 pts)	Frosty Oak Leaves COS	J. Lumb
	Protestor	T. Rajaram
2 nd (20 pts)	Reflections	K. Goggin
3 rd (19 pts)	Colt Nursing	M. Holloway
	Cubism	M. Auerbach
(18 pts)	Buff Bayou Bridge	L. Auerbach
	Just Looking II	E. Sandler
	Lilly 1C	Bill Dupré
	Mardi Gras Reveler	R. Sanchez
	Palazzo	U. Atkinson
	Red Stunt Plane	G. Sternes
(17 pts)	Butterfly Feeding	C. Edwards
	Fire at Sunset	S. Goldberg
	Houma Show	J. Klehm

Nature Category – 10 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Long Tailed Skipper	F. Cabral
	Spider Web 2	L. Auerbach
	Spring Baby	G. Jump
2 nd (19 pts)	Killdeer Flying	M. Holloway
	Pelican Detail	K. Goggin
3 rd (18 pts)	Lesser Yellowlegs 4642	C. Lee
(17 pts)	Big Bee	E. Sandler
	Hummingbird	J. Klehm
(16 pts)	Sunrise over Buc-ee's	T. Rutledge
	With the Flowers	J. Sandler

Photojournalism Category – 8 entries

1 st (24 pts)	Never Forget	Bill Dupré
2 nd (21 pts)	Monster Jam Competition	G. Sternes
3 rd (20 pts)	Baby Races	H. Peterman
	Behind Bars in Mexico City	J. Lumb

Photojournalism Category – Continued

(18 pts)	Is Going to Make It	R. Sanchez
	Play Action Formation	C. Edwards
(17 pts)	Cleaning Market Square	M. Holloway
(16 pts)	Big Hat, Little Girl 2844	C. Lee

Travel Category – 7 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Old Idaho State Prison	T. Rutledge
2 nd (19 pts)	Cape Porpoise	F. Cabral
	Columbia River Gorge	T. Rajaram
3 rd (18 pts)	Mono Lake Reflection	J. Sandler
	Sea Island	S. Goldberg
(17 pts)	Saigon Intersection	G. Narahara
(16 pts)	Lake Powell	G. Jump

Creative Category – 10 entries

1 st (23 pts)	Prickly Poppy	J. Lumb
2 nd (22 pts)	Butterflys and Moon	K. Goggin
3 rd (20 pts)	One Way Wooden Bridge	J. Sandler
(19 pts)	Close Up II	E. Sandler
	Egg	T. Rutledge
(18 pts)	Braving the Blaze	T. Rajaram
	El Monster Del Toro	G. Sternes
	Zoo Lights 1	Bill Dupré
(17 pts)	Texas State Capitol Bldg	R. Sanchez
(15 pts)	Lone Beachcomber	F. Cabral

Monochrome Category – 13 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Country Store	J. Klehm
	Lotus Blossom	E. Sandler
	Lotus Center	J. Sandler
2 nd (18 pts)	Simply Complicated	T. Rajaram
3 rd (17 pts)	BPH Temple	F. Cabral
	Cemetery	R. Sanchez
	Chalking in Mars	G. Sternes
	Cherrypicker Downtown Houston	M. Auerbach
	Foggy Morning	Bill Dupré
	Winter Vines	K. Goggin

Projected Images Continued

Monochrome Category—Continued

(16 pts)	Old Commerce National Bank Building	C. Lee
	Old Dock	T. Rutledge
	Winter in Tetons	G. Jump

Assignment Projected: *Tombstone/Graveyard* - 12 entries

Winner: Tomb of Columbus H. Peterman

Prints

Pictorial Category – 5 entries

1 st (21 pts)	Chihuly Glass	G. Kunz
2 nd (20 pts)	Hartman Bridge	M. Holloway
3 rd (19 pts)	Fall Color in Yellowstone	B. Jump
	Elevated Existence	T. Rajaram
(18 pts)	Asiatic Lily 3863	C. Lee

Nature Category – 3 entries

1 st (21 pts)	Copulating Snowy Egrets	M. Holloway
2 nd (20 pts)	Bee on Flower	S. Goldberg
	M... Eater	J. Klehm

Photojournalism Category – 5 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Wagons Ho! 2840	C. Lee
	Clean Block	H. Peterman
2 nd (19 pts)	Wave Rider	J. Klehm
3 rd (18 pts)	Gene Wilder in Chalk	G. Sternes
(17 pts)	Ancient Eastern Rituals	T. Rajaram

Travel Category – 2 entries

1 st (18 pts)	Ancient Czech Castle	G. Sternes
2 nd (17 pts)	Lodge on the Lake	B. Jump

Creative Category – 4 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Snorting Bull	M. Holloway
2 nd (18 pts)	Water Color Mission	R. Sanchez
	Design Croo Extr	G. Sternes
	When Ablaze	T. Rajaram

Monochrome Category – 6 entries

1 st (20 pts)	My Parent Resting Site	R. Sanchez
	Smooth Falls	B. Jump
	Rodeo Flagbearers	G. Sternes
2 nd (19 pts)	Lost in the Fog	G. Narahara

Prints Continued

Monochrome Category – Continued

3 rd (17 pts)	Lazy Man	J. Klehm
	Simple Hard Life	t. Rajaram

Unlimited Category – 4 entries

1 st (22 pts)	While Running Through Fields	T. Rajaram
2 nd (19 pts)	Whisler Family	J. Klehm
	String Lake	B. Jump
3 rd (18 pts)	It is Mine	R. Sanchez

Assignment Prints: *Tombstone/Graveyard* – 6 entries

Winner: Military Funeral S. Goldberg

My apologies for any titles that are incomplete or incorrect. The score sheets were particularly hard to read. LN



Never Forget

By: Bill Dupré

Interclub Competitions



PSA Nature Projected

Judged by F67 Camera Club, February, 2017. 15 point Scale.

Redtailed Hawk Flying	12 pts	Marilyn Holloway
Tennessee Warbler	10 pts	John Lumb
Green Lacewing	9 pts	Buz Cabral
Pollinating Bee	9 pts	Julius Klehm
White Sands, NM	9 pts	Buz Cabral
Yard Spider	9 pts	Steve Goldberg

PSA PID Projected

Judged by Lancaster Photography Association, March, 2017
15 point Scale.

Redtailed Hawk Flying	12 pts *	Marilyn Holloway
Venueusta Orchard Spider 6		
	11 pts	Lisa Auerbach
Windmills	10 pts	Terry Rutledge
Free	9 pts	Thejas Rajaram
Circle of Life	8 pts	Keith Goggin
Study in Smoke	7 pts	Buz Cabral

* Congratulations to Marilyn on her Honorable Mention.

GSCCC Photojournalism Projected

Judged by Slidell Photographic Club, March, 2017

15 point Scale.

Fire Devastation But Strength Through Nature	9 pts	Gerry Jump
Breitling Jets Formation	9 pts	Glenn Sternes
Boy and Boots Flying Off	8 pts	Marilyn Holloway
Watching the Fire	7 pts	Steve Goldberg



2017 PSA Conference

October 8 - 14, 2017

Pittsburgh Marriott City Center

The Annual Conference is being held this year in Pittsburgh. There will be a variety of photo tours, classes, workshops and photo shoots in which attendees can participate.

Information needed to register for the conference will begin to be available in April. Check back periodically at:

psa-photo.org/index.php?2017-psa-conference

You do not need to be a member to attend.

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