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

Competition Meeting— July 1

7:00 p.m. at Bayland Community Center

We will meet at Bayland. Our meeting will go from 7:00 to 9:00.

This is an in-person meeting. We look forward to seeing you. But, if you are not feeling well, please stay home and take care of yourself.

Refreshments:: Rachel Burychka

Camera Club Dues 2025—2026

July 1 begins a new camera club year. It is time to pay the club annual dues.

Gwen Kunz, the club Treasurer, is collecting membership dues for the upcoming year. For continuing members, an individual membership is \$30 with \$15 for each additional family member.

If you are paying by check, please make it payable to the **Houston Camera Club**. You can give your payment to Gwen at a club meeting, or send it to her by mail. Her address is in the HCC yearbook. You may also pay with cash or by Zelle.

Members who have not paid by the end of July are delinquent and will not be able to enter competition until dues have been paid.

Calendar—Upcoming Activities

July 1	Competition Meeting 7:00 p.m.
	Deadline—Year End 2024-2025 Submissions
July 29	Deadline—August Projected Image Submissions

COMPETITION MEETING

Tuesday, July 3, 2025

- **Quarterly Field Trip Competition**—Enter **one** projected image and/or **one** print from each of the following field trips:
Jamail Skatepark
Armand Bayou Nature Center
- **Projected Image Competition**— Enter **two** images total in categories: Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism. Only **one** image may be entered in a category.
- **Print Competition**—Enter **two** images total in categories: Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism. Only one image may be entered in a category.
- **Creative and Monochrome**—Enter **one** projected image and/or **one** print in each category.
- **Unlimited Prints** —Enter **one** print.

Assignment: Enter **one** projected image and/or one print. *Frame within a Frame* **

** See the Assignment PDF in May Rangefinder

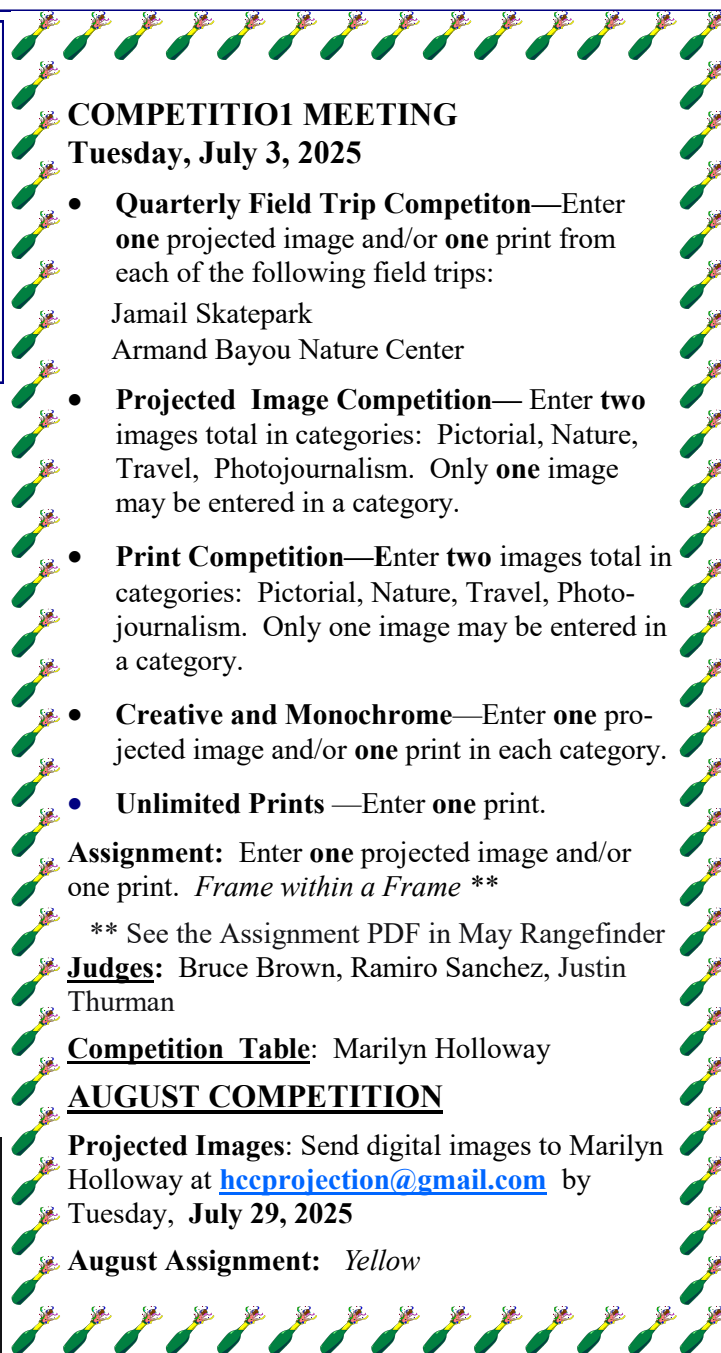
Judges: Bruce Brown, Ramiro Sanchez, Justin Thurman

Competition Table: Marilyn Holloway

AUGUST COMPETITION

Projected Images: Send digital images to Marilyn Holloway at hccprojection@gmail.com by Tuesday, **July 29, 2025**

August Assignment: *Yellow*



Upcoming Assignments

These assignment images are to be taken June 1 or later.

August Yellow

September Positive and Negative Space **

October Unusual or Historic Architecture

** For those assignments that have an **, there is supplemental detail. See the Assignment PDF attachment to the May, 2025, Rangefinder .

Elections In June

Elections for club officers were held **June 3** during the Competition Meeting. The officers elected are:

President,	Leslie Niemand
1st Vice President—Programs,	Ramiro Sanchez
2nd Vice President —Workshops	—
Secretary,	Rachel Burychka
Treasurer.	Gwen Kunz

Congratulations to each of you. And thank you for serving.

Bill Dupre and Henry Peterman were the Elections Committee. Thank You for your hard work.

Your Ideas Are Needed

Workshops are important to our club. Unfortunately, we don't have anyone right now who has the responsibility to plan the workshops for the club. This year, if we are going to have workshops, we are all going to need to get involved. You can help by thinking of interesting things you want to learn, things we could do as a group, or subjects to teach others.

Once we have some ideas, we will need someone to organize and plan a specific workshop. We will also need assistants.

Leslie Niemand will act as a coordinator. If you have ideas of things to do or learn in a workshop, send her a message and share your thoughts. Then let's see what we can learn together.

New HCC Competition Image Size

Our club has a new size for images submitted in competition—1920 X 1080 pixels. This change is in effect beginning for the July competition meeting. These are maximum pixel sizes for projected images.

Year-End Competition for 2024-2025

After the results of the June, 2025, competition, our Secretary, **Rachel Burychka**, will be compiling year-end results. You will receive an individual email with a list of the images you have submitted during the year.

At the **July 1** Competition Meeting, submit your **year-end print selections** to **Leslie Niemand**. You may submit one image from each print category Pictorial, Nature, Photojournalism, Travel, Creative, Monochrome and Unlimited. There is no Y-E Print Assignment Category.

Year-end projected images entries are also due **July 1** to **Marilyn Holloway** at hccprojection@gmail.com. You may submit one image from each category Pictorial, Nature, Photojournalism, Travel, Creative, and Monochrome. There is no Y-E Projected Image Assignment Category.

The year-end results will be announced and awards presented at the annual awards banquet, **August 19**.



Honey & Fruit

By: Marilyn Holloway

Photographer Saying:

“For me, the camera is a sketch book, an instrument of intuition and spontaneity.”

Henri Cartier-Bresson

GSCCC Pictorial Color Image Of The Year

Rachel Burychka has been awarded GSCCC Pictorial Color Projected Image of the Year 2024-2025, 1st Place, for her image Coming in for a Drink.

Wow! This is something really special.



Earl Gilbert Architectural Award Winner

Terry Rutledge is the winner of the Earl Gilbert Architectural Award for 2024-2025.



L'Etoile Du Havre, 405 Youghall Dr, Bathurst, New Brunswick

By: Terry Rutledge

June Competition Results

Judged June 3, 2025

Judges: Ross McEathron, John Niemand, Terry Rutledge

Projected Images

Pictorial Category – 6 entries

1 st (22 pts)	Honey & Fruit	M. Holloway
2 nd (19 pts)	Ollie In Action	W. Qiu
	The Guitarist	R. Burychka
3 rd (18 pts)	Italian Street Scene	B. Dupre
(15 pts)	Monarch Takeoff	T. Rutledge
(14 pts)	View Into Bryce Canyon	C. Edwards

Nature Category – 4 entries

1 st (23 pts)	Crazy Wabbit	R. Burychka
	Nectar For Juvenile Hummer	M. Holloway
2 nd (19 pts)	Blue Dasher	D. Skweres
3 rd (18 pts)	Egret & Friends	D. Kabanuck

Photojournalism Category – 2 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Immigration Protest	W. Qiu
2 nd (18 pts)	Calling The Meeting To Order	B. Dupre

Travel Category – 3 entries

1 st (18 pts)	Lower Falls Yosemite	D. Kabanuck
2 nd (17 pts)	Fort Belknap Largest Native Grapevine in US	T. Rutledge
3 rd (16 pts)	On Top Of A Colorado Mountain	C. Edwards

Creative Category – 3 entries

1 st (20 pts)	Scene N The Beach	B. Dupre
2 nd (18 pts)	Candle Smoke	R. Burychka
3 rd (17 pts)	Orchid	T. Rutledge

Monochrome Category – 5 entries

1 st (22 pts)	Egret Display	R. Burychka
2 nd (20 pts)	Sea Stack	B. Dupre
3 rd (18 pts)	Where's Waldo	D. Kabanuck
	Willet	D. Skweres
(17 pts)	The Great Blue Heron	W. Qiu

Asssignment Category *Wildflowers* – 3 entries

Winner	Pandhandle Wildflower	T. Rutledge
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Prints

Pictorial Category – 3 entries

1 st (21 pts)	Houston Graffiti	R. Sanchez
2 nd (20 pts)	Let There Be Light	Gwen Kunz
	Sweet Llama	R. Burychka

Nature Category – 2 entriies

1 st (20 pts)	Humming Bird & Banana Flower	R. Sanchez
2 nd (19 pts)	Great Blue Heron In The Thicket	J. Thurman

Photojournalism Category – 0 entries

Travel Category – 0 entries

Creative Category – 1 entry

1 st (19 pts)	Automobile	R. Sanchez
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Monochrome Category – 1 entry

1 st 18 pts)	Jumping Into Broadslide	R. Sanchez
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Unlimited – 2 entries

1 st (23 pts)	Lost In The Fog	D. Kabanuck
2 nd (21 pts)	Marienberg Forttrerss (Wurzburg, Bavaria)	R. Sanchez

Assignment Category *Wildflowers* – 1 entry

Winner	Blue Bonnet	R. Sanchez
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Willet

By: David Skweres



PSA Interclub Competitions

No Results Received

GSCCC Interclub Competitions

Judged June, 2025

By: Greater New Orleans Club

GSCCC Color Images

Sunlit River	Buz Cabral	11
Kinderdijk2	Ramiro Sanchez	9
Longji Rice Terraces	Wenxing Qiu	9
Owl With A Mask	Marilyn Holloway	9

GSCCC Monochrome Images

Sea Stack	Bill Dupre	11
Smokestack	Tom Lee	10
Neuschwanstein	Buz Cabral	9
Egret Display	Rachel Burychka	9

GSCCC Nature Images

Successful Capture	Marilyn Holloway	15*
Crazy Wabbit	Rachel Burychka	14#
Best Way To Travel	Julius Klehm,	13
African Sunset	Terry Rutledge	8

* Marilyn was awarded 1st Place for her image. Wow!

Rachel won 3rd Place for her image. Very Good.

GSCCC Photojournalism Images

Clean Baton Exchange	Marilyn Holloway	13*
Kick Flip	Justin Thurman	10
Immigration Protest	Wenxing Qiu	10
Off The Rail	Dan Kabanuck	8

Marilyn won 2nd Place for her image. Great work!

Congratulations to all our GSCCC winners. Great images.



View Into Bryce Canyon

By: Charles Edwards



Sea Stack

By: Bill Dupre

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