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

Competition Meeting— August 5

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:: Ramiro Sanchez

Awards Dinner and Guest Night

August 19—Bayland Community Center

The annual awards dinner will wrap up the 2024-2025 club year. Come and bring your family and friends.

This is a potluck dinner. A signup sheet will be on the refreshment table at the August 6 competition meeting. Please sign up to bring the side dish of your choice. If you bring a guest, you should bring an additional side dish for your guest. If you have not signed up and cannot be at the August competition meeting, email or call **Rachel Burychka**. We **need to know** whether you are coming, how many guests you will have, and what you will bring. If you choose not to bring food to share, we still need to know you are coming. You may pay \$15.00 per person at the door in lieu of food to share.

The club will provide a selection of meat as well as cups, plates, and silverware.

Times:

5:45 p.m. - Setup—several people needed

6:15 p.m. - Social Time

6:45 p.m. - Dinner

7:30 p.m. - Awards Presentation

Everyone needs to stay at the end of the meeting to help clean up the room.

We have use of the kitchen. Oven space is available. There is also space for final preparation. Be sure to bring serving utensils for your dishes. Label what you bring with your name.

COMPETITION MEETING

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

- 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. *Yellow*

Judges: Gwen Kunz, Henry Peterman, Wenxing Qui

Competition Table: Marilyn Holloway

SEPTEMBER COMPETITION

Projected Images: Send digital images to Marilyn Holloway at hccprojection@gmail.com by Tuesday, August 26, 2025

September Assignment: Positive and Negative Space **

Calendar—Upcoming Activities

Dues Are Due Now

August 5	Competition Meeting 7:00 p.m.
August 19	Awards Dinner (See schedule nearby)
August 26	Deadline—September Projected Image Submissions

Upcoming Assignments

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

September Positive and Negative Space **

October Unusual or Historic Architecture

November Still Life **

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

Camera Club Dues 2025—2026

July 1 began 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.

If you have not paid your year's membership, you are delinquent and may not enter competition until dues have been paid.

George Buffington Award

The George Buffington Award winner will be selected at the Awards Dinner. The award is named for a former camera club member who contributed significantly to the club. At the dinner, club members will vote for their choice of the individual who has contributed the most to the club over the past year. The member receiving the most votes will receive the award. It will be presented at the dinner.

The 2024--2025 elected officers, **John Niemand, Ramiro Sanchez, Bill Burychka, Rachel Burychka, and Gwen Kunz** ARE NOT eligible for this year's award.



Egret Display

By: Rachel Burychka



Eruption Of Stamen

By: Buz Cabral



BFF Bull Frogs Forever

By: Bill Burychka

July Competition Results

Judged July 1, 2025

Judges: Bruce Brown, Ramiro Sanchez, Justin Thurman

Projected Images

Pictorial Category – 8 entries

1 st (24 pts)	Delicate Refraction	B. Cabral
2 nd (23 pts)	Boathouse	T. Rutledge
3 rd (21 pts)	Temple Emanuel	R. Burychka
(20 pts)	Leaning In	D. Kabanuck
	Purple Arrangement	M. Holloway
(19 pts)	Homage To Vemeers Maid	D. Thompson
(18 pts)	Little Piglet	J. Klehm
	Moraine Meadow Sunrise	W. Qiu

Nature Category – 5 entries

1 st (25 pts)	White Faced Ibis	M. Holloway
2 nd (22 pts)	Eating Upside Down	J. Klehm
3 rd (19 pts)	8 Spotted Skimmer Taking 5	D. Kabanuck
(18 pts)	Elk In Meadow	J. Thurman
(17 pts)	Preparation	T. Rutledge

Photojournalism Category – 0 entries

Travel Category – 3 entries

1 st (22 pts)	Sword Street	R. Burychka
2 nd (21 pts)	Dream Lake	J. Thurman
	Yellow Taxi	B. Cabral

Creative Category – 4 entries

1 st (23 pts)	Tall Stem	B. Cabral
2 nd (20 pts)	Bicyclist	T. Rutledge
	July 4th	M. Holloway
3 rd (18 pts)	Rock Cut Moonrise	W. Qiu

Monochrome Category – 4 entries

1 st (22 pts)	Eruption Of Stamen	B. Cabral
2 nd (21 pts)	Fear	T. Rutledge
3 rd (19 pts)	Varner Hogg Patton	W. Burychka
(18 pts)	Headed Out	D. Kabanuck

Assignment Category *Frame Within A Frame* – 3 entries

Winner	Framed Bicycle Rider	H. Peterman
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Field Trip Category – 10 entries

Winner	BFF Bull Frogs Forever	W. Burychka
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Prints

Pictorial Category – 3 entries

1 st (23 pts)	Chihuly Blue Glass & Vase	G. Kunz
2 nd (22 pts)	Windmill	Rachel Burychka
3 rd (21 pts)	Tulip	Terry Rutledge

Nature Category – 4 entries

1 st (22 pts)	Juve Mockingbird w/ Dinner	R. Burychka
2 nd (21 pts)	First Light of Dawn	W. Qiu
3 rd (20 pts)	Sprague Lake Alpenglöw	J. Thurman
	Heron	R. Sanchez

Photojournalism Category – 1 entry

1 st (24 pts)	Practicing	R. Sanchez
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Travel Category – 1 entry

1 st (23 pts)	Sprague Lake Sunrise	W. Qiu
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Creative Category – 1 entry

1 st (23 pts)	Hanging Around	T. Rutledge
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Monochrome Category – 1 entry

1 st 18 pts)	Antonia	R. Sanchez
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Unlimited – 1 entry

1 st (25 pts)	Just Popped In	R. Burychka
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Assignment Category *Frame Within A Frame* – 1 entry

Winner	Frames	R. Sanchez
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Field Trip Category – 5 entries

Winner	Board Slide Skateboard	R. Sanchez
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Eating Upside Down

By: Julius Klehm



PSA Interclub Competitions

No Results Received

GSCCC Interclub Competitions

Judged July, 2025

By: Northlake Camera Club

GSCCC Color Images

Honey & Fruit	Marilyn Holloway	13*
Dream Lake	Justin Thurman	11
Yellow Taxi	Buz Cabral	10
Candle Smoke	Rachel Burychka	10

* Marilyn won 2nd Honorable Mention for her image. Congratulations.

GSCCC Monochrome Images

Blue Jay 2	Marillyn Holloway	13
Sword Street	Rachel Burychka	10
Where's Waldo	Dan Kabanuck	10
Eruption Of Stamen	Buz Cabral	10

GSCCC Nature Images

Eating Upside Down	Julius Klehm	11
Bison Close Up	Rachel Burychka	10
White Faced Ibis With Supper		

	Marilyn Hollloway	10
BFF Bull Frogs Forever	Bill Burychka	9

GSCCC Photojournalism Images

Kick Flip	Justin Thurman	11
Skate Park	Bill Burychka	10
Immigration Protest	Wenxing Qiu	8
Off The Rail	Dan Kabanuck	7

Photographer Saying:

"A good snapshot keeps a moment from running away."

Eudora Welty

Member News

Be sure to look at **Marilyn Holloway's** winning image Honey & Fruit on the first page of the Gulf States Camera Club website,.

<https://www.gulfstatesccc.org/> It looks wonderful.



Kick Flip

By: Justim Thurman

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