

## Competition Meeting— March 3

7:00 p.m. at Bayland Community Center

We will meet at Bayland. Our meeting will go from 7:00 to 9:00. We will be in Rooms 6, 7, and 8.

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: Henry Peterman

## Program — March 17

7:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. Online

### Break the Rules — Five Photography No-No's You Should Be Doing

Pre-registration required. See separate email for link.

Our presenter is Lisa Langell, a professional photographer and educator. She is an exciting speaker. You will enjoy this presentation and find some new things to try at the same time.

We've all heard the "rules" of photography: don't center your subject, never shoot in harsh midday light, always keep your ISO low. But what if breaking those rules could actually lead to some of your most compelling and creative images?

In this refreshing and eye-opening presentation, Lisa Langell challenges conventional thinking and invites you to reimagine what makes a great photograph. She'll walk you through five widely accepted "photography no-no's" that, when used with purpose, can result in dynamic, emotionally powerful, and visually exciting work.

Through real-world examples, Lisa shows how ignoring traditional advice can open the door to fresh and artistic results. You'll see how bending or breaking the rules with intention can enhance storytelling, strengthen composition, and elevate the mood of your images.

This session is designed to inspire you to experiment more freely, step outside your comfort zone, and enjoy a more creative approach to photography.

Ramiro Sanchez, Program Chair

## COMPETITION MEETING

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

- **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. *High Vantage Point* \*\*

**Judges:** John Niemand, Henry Peterman, Ramiro Sanchez

**Competition Table:** Marilyn Holloway

## MARCH COMPETITION

**Projected Images:** Send digital images to Marilyn Holloway at [hccprojection@gmail.com](mailto:hccprojection@gmail.com) by Tuesday, March 31, 2026

## Calendar—Upcoming Activities

March 3	Competition Meeting 7:00 p.m.
March 14	Nungaray Wildlife Refuge 10:00 a.m.
March 17	Online Program Lisa Langell 7:00 p.m.
	<b>Pre-registration required</b>
March 24	GSCCC Judging Online 6:00 p.m.
March 31	Submission Deadline—April Projected Images

## Upcoming Assignments

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

April Children At Play  
May Low Vantage Point \*\*  
June Food

\*\* For any assignments that has a \*\*, there is more detail. See the Assignment PDF attachment to the May, 2025, Rangefinder.

## Field Trip — March 14

The March field trip will be on Saturday, March 14 to the **Jocelyn Nungaray National Wildlife Refuge**, formerly called the Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge.

The main targets are birds and gators. Bring a long lens.

Here is a Wildlife Refuge website with information on the birds to be seen there

<https://www.birdingplaces.eu/en/birdingplaces/united-states/jocelyn-nungaray-national-wildlife-refuge>

**The Park entrance is at 4318 FM 1985, Anahuac, TX 77514**

Meet at the Shoveler Pond about 10:00 a.m. This is about two miles south of the entrance on Park Entrance Road, You may be interested in visiting the butterfly garden which is close by.

Be sure to bring insect repellent, sunscreen, and drinking water.

Lunch: To Be Announced

Field Trip Coordinator Terry Rutledge.



Dark Side Of The Gate

By: Dan Kabanuck

## 2026—2027 Assignments

**Wenxing Qiu , Justin Thurman, Dan Kabanuck, and Ramiro Sanchez** are on the assignment committee. We will announce the 2026-2-27 assignments soon. Please thank them for their work.

## Earl Gilbert Architectural Contest

The Architectural Contest was established to honor the contribution Earl Gilbert made to the club.

Entries will be due on **April 7**. You need to be working on this. You still have time.

This year the competition will be with projected images. You may submit one image. The maximum size is 1920 pixels wide by 1080 pixels high. The subject should be of an architectural nature. There is no restriction on when the image was taken.

The image can be sent to [hcccprojection@gmail.com](mailto:hcccprojection@gmail.com) through **April 7**. The title on the email needs to be **HCC Architecture Contest**.

The images will be judged outside the club. The winner will have his/her name engraved on a permanent plaque. The winning image will be printed and then displayed in the Bayland case.



Bird, Turtle, And Tadpole

By: Wenxing Qiu

## Photographer Saying:

“There are no rules for good photographs, there are only good photographs.”

*Ansel Adams*

## February Competition Results

Judged February 3, 2025

Judges: Bill Dupre, Wenxing Qiu, Terry Rutledge

### **Projected Images**

#### **Pictorial Category – 6 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (20 pts)	Greenway Windows	T. Rutledge
	Morning On The Pond	D. Kabanuck
	Reflecting On The Catch	J. Thurman
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	First Of Three	F. Cabral
	Moonrise Over Death Valley	J. Nielsen
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Houston Downtown Nightscape	W. Qiu

#### **Nature Category – 4 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Pyrrhuloxia	R. Burychka
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Jumping Spider At Sunset	T. Rutledge
3 <sup>rd</sup> (19 pts)	Wishing For An Escape	M. Holloway
(18 pts)	Turtles On A Log	J. Thurman

#### **Photojournalism Category – 1 entry**

1 <sup>st</sup> (18 pts)	The Pack Stretches Out	J Nielsen
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#### **Travel Category – 5 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Dark Side Of The Gate	D. Kabanuck
	Shadow Of Hoover Tower	W. Qiu
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	New Zealand	R. Burychka
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Fall Colors	R. McEathron
	Sedona Dusk	F. Cabral

#### **Creative Category – 2 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	The Watcher	R. Burychka
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	Dogs Celebrate New Year	M. Holloway

#### **Monochrome Category – 5 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Bird, Turtle, And Tadpole	W. Qiu
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Alpenhorns	F. Cabral
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Flaming Star Hydrogen Signal	R. McEathron
	Student	T. Rutledge
(17 pts)	Whiskey Town Lake	D. Kabanuck

#### **Assignment Category *Candle, Lantern Camplight* – 2 entries**

Winner	Reading By Candlelight	M. Holloway
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## **Prints**

#### **Pictorial Category – 5 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Montana Dawn	J. Nielsen
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Circular Elevated Walk Way Pano	R. Sanchez
	Tanager Portrait	M. Holloway
3 <sup>rd</sup> (19 pts)	Holey	G. Kunz
	Mormodes warszewicizi	M. McCorquodale

#### **Nature Category – 2 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (23 pts)	Successful Night Heron	M. Holloway
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Elk—Cervus Canadensis	.R. Sanchez

#### **Photojournalism Category – 0 entries**

#### **Travel Category – 1 entry**

1 <sup>st</sup> (18 pts)	Autumn At Tlaquepaque	G. Kunz
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#### **Creative Category – 2 entries**

1 <sup>st</sup> (24 pts)	Unnatural Breeding	M. Holloway
2 <sup>nd</sup> (23 pts)	Jumping Out Of The Unknown	R. Sanchez

#### **Monochrome Category – 1 entry**

1 <sup>st</sup> (19 pts)	Bikes Are Drugs	R. Sanchez
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#### **Unlimited – 1 entry**

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Ready For Harvest	D. Kabanuck
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#### **Assignment Category *Candle, Lantern Camplight* - 2 entries**

Winner	Three Red Candles	M. Holloway
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Jumping Spider At Sunset

By: Terry Rutledge



**PSA Interclub Competitions**

No Results Received

**GSCCC Interclub Competitions**

**Judged February, 2026**

**By: Dallas Camera Club**

**GSCCC Color Images**

First Of Tthree	Buz Cabral	12*
Abu Dhabi Mosque	Hafeez Mian	12#
Dream Lake	Justin Thurman	10
Moonrise Over Death Valley		
	Jim Nielsen	8

\* Buz received a 1st Honorable Mention for his image.

# Hafeez received a 1st Alternate Award for his image.

Congratulations to you both.

**GSCCC Monochrome Images**

Student	Terry Rutledge	11
Rainbow	Hafeez Mian	10
Snowy Hill Top	Rachel Burychka	9
Columbia River	Buz Cabral	9

**GSCCC Nature Images**

I Can Fix Those Feathers	Rachel Burychka	13*
Filling Up For A Long Trip		
	Marilyn Holloway	13
First Light of Dawn	Wenxing Qiu	11
Crab Supper	Ramiro Sanchez	10

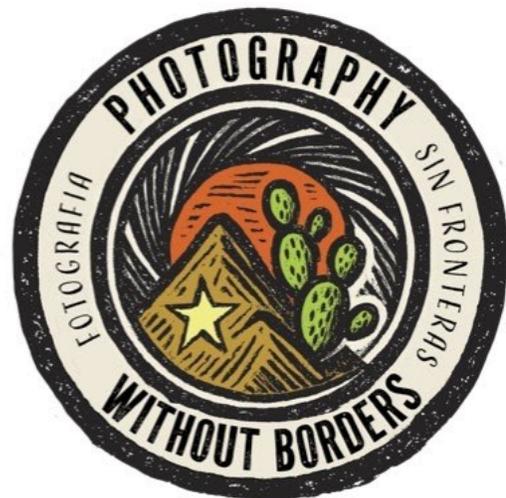
\* Rachel received a 1st Honorable Mention for her image.  
Good Work!

**GSCCC Photojournalism Images**

Getting Through The Roof	Bill Dupre	12*
Skater's Portrait	Ramiro Sanchez	12#
Jiu Jitsu Contest 2	Marilyn Holloway	11
Stockyard Roping	Justin Thurman	10

\* Marilyn won 1st Honorable Mention for her image.

# Ramiro received a 1st Alternate Award for his image.  
Nice work to both of you.



**GSCCC '26 El Paso**  
**May 28-30, 2026**

For additional details on the GSCCC Convention, the speakers, schedules and to register, see

<http://tinyurl.com/gsecc26>

Then click on the GSCCC Convention tab.

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