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July Meeting

Greetings,

Summer has arrived in full force so even if you're quarantining, you're probably inside a lot due to the heat.

Tracy Gee is still operating week to week. As I write this, the rate of infections and hospitalizations continue to rise, so the health of our members is our first priority. In light of the County Judge's newest restrictions we will continue the virtual program in July.

As always, I welcome your suggestions and appreciate all that everyone does to make our club successful. Stay safe,

Stephanie

**Deadline for digital submission...
All digital entries must be sent**

**to
Stephanie Rudd
rudd77024@gmail.com**

**by July 4
Entries received after that will not
be eligible for July Competition**

**FYI... the deadline is always the
Saturday before the
competition meeting.**

July Program

Please join us for July's program presented by James Gamble. He will discuss portrait photography, including lighting and advice on how to achieve the best impact from various types of portraits. We all know what great portraits James makes so please be sure to join us for this informative session.

The presentation will be on Thursday July 23rd at 7:00 pm. The meeting link will be sent meeting link will be sent at a later date.

Inter Club Competition

Status Update for inter club competitions:

PSA reduced their competition last year to only 3 times a year, Nov., Feb. and April., so we won't have anymore competition there until Nov.

GSCCC cancelled the May and June competition due to the virus, but will have the July Nature competition, and it will all be done online.

Houston Photochrome Club will judge the August Mono and Pictorial competitions, again online.

Jane Ashley.

HPC Member Wins in Local Magazine Contest.

Leopard Spotting Antelope Second Place/Readers' Choice

Joe Schmitt took this photo last summer in Chief's Camp, a private reserve in the Okavango Delta of Botswana. "Our guide spotted the male leopard in the bush during a morning game drive and tracked him for nearly an hour," Joe recalls. "After watching him stalking antelope and taking multiple shots, we left him to continue his hunt." (From July 2020 Issue of "The Memorial Buzz")



Website Gallery

Currently all members have at least one image in the slide show on the Gallery Page of the website <https://hpcphotoclub.wordpress.com/gallery/> .

If you would like a different image in the gallery and you have submitted it in a monthly competition please send a copy of the image to Steve.

He will get approval to add or change your image before it is posted on the website.

On Line Help for Your Postprocessing Questions.

Lot's of online help out there. If you are a Lightroom user and haven't discovered Tim Grey's daily Q&A column, you may want to check it out at: www.asktingrey.com

He answers questions about all sorts of problems with Lightroom and , on occasion, Photoshop. He also has educational tutorials available:

Another source for on line and free tutorials is Photoshop Café. Colin Smith has some free tutorials that are quit good plus the for pay ones as well. www.photoshopCAFE.com

Matt Kloskowski is another good resource. Find him at: www.mattk.com

And then there's You Tube.

Program & Field trip Gallery

To continue to build out our website, we are requesting member's photos to post in a banner slide show. The images do not have to be from a competition entry, but must be your image and can be creative if you want.

The photo should be sized 1200 pixels wide and 300 pixels high, with your copyright watermark or name. See the current slide show on the Website on the Programs & Field Trips page: <https://hpcphotoclub.wordpress.com/programs/> .

Please limit submissions to two per member. If you would like to contribute please send your photos or questions to Steve Mayeux at: smayeux@comcast.net

ATTENTION:

All Competition Participants

Images **must** be submitted according to club guidelines or your image may not be included in the monthly competition

Please follow the sizing instructions carefully:

A horizontal image cannot be longer than 1400 pixels along the horizontal side;

A vertical image cannot be longer than 1050 pixels along the vertical side.
(Vertical images **cannot** be sized **1400** pixels along the vertical side!)

The size of the JPEG image is not to exceed 1MB.(See above for pixel size.)

Rename the image according to the guidelines below.

For example:

An Assignment image by John Brown would appear as

AS_Assignment_BrownJ.jpg
O_Open Category_N_BrownJ .jpg

(Use “M” for Monochrome and “O” for Open categories.) If the image fits the Nature category. Add an N after the image title and before your name and the .jpg.

DO NOT use first names, nicknames or initials only, for identification.

Also, **the size of the title is limited to 35 characters when naming images.** It is important that the guidelines for naming files be followed when submitting images for the monthly competitions otherwise you run the risk of not being credited with your entries.

Images that are not easily identified will be discarded.

Assignment Categories 2020-2021

The Assignment list is:

July	2020	Reflections
August	2020	Indoors
September	2020	Endless Sun (Sun Creates Image)
October	2020	Spring
November	2020	Small Things
December	2020	Patterns
January	2021	Eyes
February	2021	Person showing Strong Emotion
March	2021	Zoo Setting
April	2021	In my back yard
May	2021	Action Shots
June	2021	Shows Movement
July	2021	Historical Significance
August	2021	Night Photo
September	2021	Weather Phenomenon
October	2021	Song depicted as photo (Song Title in image title)
November	2021	Kids (babies, children playing, goofy expression)
December	2021	Man Made Fight

ATTENTION:

Due to quarantine, the 12 month rule has been suspended for the Assigned category. The suspension is for May through October 2020 only.

NOTE: Images may not be submitted more than once regardless of the category. Color images may not be submitted as monochrome if they have been used in another category and vice versa.

Notice: Naming instructions have been updated See Previous Column (06/2020)

June '20 Competition -

Judges: Tim Bimler, Janet Chung, Stephanie Rudd

Assignment Texture

Man in the Tree	Stephen Mayeux	24
Passion Flower Portrait	Stephanie Rudd	21
Texture	Jane Ashley	21
Antares Waterlily	Janet Chung	20
Fall Leaf	Julie Cheng	20
Prince Kristian Fjord	Joe Schmitt	20
Water Lily Pad	James Gamble	20
Blocks Texture	Charles Edwards	19
Cactus Structure	Donnie Walton	19
Rusted Knocker	Philip Tan	19
Go with the Grain	Dat Lien	18
Messages Left Behind	Scott Meyer	18
Texture in Flower	Joe Smith	18
Red Flowers	Tim Bimler	17
14 images	Avg. 19.6	

Monochrome

Delicious	Janet Chung	26
One Week Old	Stephen Mayeux	25
Patric	James Gamble	24
Moving Waters	Jane Ashley	23
Storm Threat	Scott Meyer	23
Not so Quiet Night	Dat Lien	22
Favorite Jellyfish	Julie Cheng	21
White-winged Dove	Joe Smith	21
Ancient Bathroom	Joe Schmitt	20
Caddo Lake	Carmen Sewell	20
Hello Maine Morn	Richard Lemmon	20
Mission Window	Philip Tan	20
The Alamo	Donnie Walton	20
View of a Small Church	Charles Edwards	16
14 images	Avg. 21.5	

Open

Time to Fly	Carmen Sewell	26
Water Lily and the Bee	Julie Cheng	25
A Bee is Landing on my Blossom	Julie Cheng	24
Dirt Biking	Dat Lien	24
Emergence	Tim Bimler	24
Two Plus One	Janet Chung	24
Airborne	Stephen Mayeux	23
Hummingbird in Bottlebrush	Joe Schmitt	23
Blue Jay Feeding	James Gamble	22
Fly on Agapantha	Joe Smith	22
Green Jay	Philip Tan	22
Water Droplet	Joe Smith	22
Amaryllis Mosaic	Jane Ashley	21
Head Out	Janet Chung	21
Purple Top	Tim Bimler	21
Springtime is Here	Joe Schmitt	21
St. Paul de Vence	Stephen Mayeux	21
Taking a Bite	Stephanie Rudd	21
Bighorn Study	Scott Meyer	20
Brown African Goose	James Gamble	20
Charging Hippo	Scott Meyer	20
Cliffs Isle of Skye	Carmen Sewell	20
Male and Female Agriope	Jane Ashley	20
Rugged Tree	Donnie Walton	20
To the Lighthouse	Richard Lemmon	20
Inside Church	Charles Edwards	19
Lady Slipper	Philip Tan	19
Cactus Blossom	Donnie Walton	18
Open Up	Stephanie Rudd	18
New Mexico Morning	Richard Lemmon	17
Savannah Fountain	Charles Edwards	15
31 images	Avg. 21.1	

Total entries - 59

Avg. Score - 20.8

Photographers - 16

Assignment Criteria Changes

Due to quarantine and lack of ability to get outside to normal photography places, we are suspending the requirement that Assignment photos must be taken within the last twelve months. The suspension will be in effect for the competition months of May through October.

Membership Directory Now on the Website

The long awaited membership directory has been updated and is now available on the website in the password protected Members section.



Houston Photochrome Club is a member of the Photographic Society of America and the Gulf States Camera Club Council

