



# REFLEX NEWS

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## August Meeting

Greetings.

It's hard to believe we've passed half of the year and it seems like it's all been in quarantine. Everyone misses the in-person meetings and camaraderie. It seems, though, in some ways our group has become closer. Members regularly send out emails to the group with information on webinars, where to photograph, interesting information, etc. I hope that we continue and expand that. It certainly helps everyone.

We don't know when we will be able to resume in person meetings, but our club is providing support for its members. Thank you to all for what you do to help run the club. Send questions and suggestions and we will keep improving.  
Stephanie

**Deadline for digital submission...  
All digital entries must be sent  
to  
Stephen Mayeux  
smayeux@comcast.net**

**by August 8  
Entries received after that will not  
be eligible for August Competition**

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

## August Program

Our club will judge GSCCC monochrome and pictorial images for August. Once the judging has been completed, a PowerPoint show will be prepared for the program meeting to show the entries and the combined judges' scores. The judges will discuss their evaluations of the images, both positive and areas for improvement.

Please join us on Thursday, August 27th at 7:00 pm for the virtual meeting. An email will be sent prior to the meeting with the link for attending

### **Advice from an Expert**

*“Beware of direct inspiration. It leads too quickly to repetitions of what inspired you... Refine your senses through the great masters of music, painting, and poetry. In short, try indirect inspirations, and everything will come by itself.” Ernst Haas*



## Inter Club Competition

The July Competition was judged by the Louisiana Photographic Society.

Our entries and scores for the July 2020 GSCCC Nature competition were:

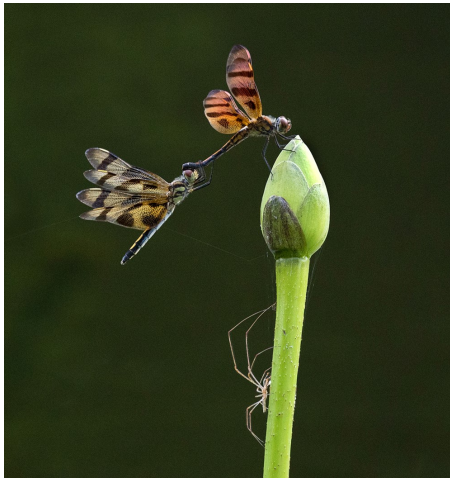
Two Plus One-Janet Chung – 14  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Crested Caracara – Stephen Mayeux – 11

Time to Fly – Carmen Sewell – 11

Gulf Fritillary – Jane Ashley – 11

Congratulations to Janet.



Two Plus One 2<sup>nd</sup> Place By Janet Chung

The July judging is complete and the winning images are posted to the [gulfstatesccc.org](http://gulfstatesccc.org) website and to the home page of the GSCCC Visual Pursuits account.

You can see all of the images that were entered and their scores by going to [gscucc.visualpursuits.com](http://gscucc.visualpursuits.com) and clicking on the Competitions/Competition Results tab. **You do not have to login.**

Select the competition to see and then click the “Display all Images” check box. You will see all of the submitted images that were scored.

## GSCCC End Of Year Club Standings

### Nature Projected

- 1st Houston PC
- 2nd Cowtown CC
- 3rd Houston CC
- 4th Dallas CC
- 4th Lafayette PS
- 5th Louisiana PS

### Color Projected

- 1st Cowtown CC
- 2nd Houston PC
- 3rd Plano PC
- 4th Lafayette PS
- 5th Dallas CC

### Mono Projected

- 1st Louisiana PS
- 2nd Houston CC
- 2nd Houston PC
- 3rd Cowtown CC
- 4th Lafayette PS
- 5th Beaumont CC

Houston Photochrome club took first place in the Nature Projected division and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in both the Color Projected and Mono Projected for the GSCCC end of year awards.

I think this is the best this club has ever done, and we could not have done it without a lot of really good photographers.

Thank you everyone. Give yourselves a pat on the back and keep the photos coming. Jane Ashley, Inter Club Chair



## **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:

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 Flight

### **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)**

## July'20 Competition -

Judges: Stephen Mayeux, Carmen Sewell, Joe Smith

### Assignment Reflections

Slinkies	Carmen Sewell	24
Emerald Lake	Stephen Mayeux	23
Beach Morning	Scott Meyer	23
Dried Lotus Stalks	Julie Cheng	22
Still Reflection	Stephanie Rudd	22
Dragonfly Reflections	Janet Chung	21
Harbor Reflection	Joe Smith	21
Prince Kristian Reflection	F. Joe Schmitt	21
Bayou Gator	Philip Tan	20
Skimmer Reflections	Jane Ashley	19
Morning Reflections	Donnie Walton	19
Watery Life	Richard Lemmon	16

**12 images** avg. 20.9

### Monochrome

Thirsty	Stephen Mayeux	27
Anhinga Posing	Julie Cheng	24
Shadow Show	Richard Lemmon	23
Palo Duro Thunderstorm	Donnie Walton	22
ML King Memorial	Joe Smith	21
Spring Runoff	Scott Meyer	21
Mississippi Kite	Philip Tan	21
Prince Kristian Iceberg	F. Joe Schmitt	21
Approaching Storm	Carmen Sewell	20
Egret Challenge	Jane Ashley	19
Dragonfly on Dry Lotus	Janet Chung	19
Bird Reflection	Charles Edwards	16

**12 images** avg. 21.2

### Open

Plumeria	Stephen Mayeux	27
Schmidt's Monkey	Scott Meyer	27
Dragonfly Mating	Janet Chung	25
Building Reflection	Stephanie Rudd	24
Green Anole	Joe Smith	24
Arch St. Louis	Julie Cheng	24
Lotus	Philip Tan	24
Antioch Baptist Church, 1879	Stephen Mayeux	23
Orange Tulips	Carmen Sewell	23
It's All About the Light	Carmen Sewell	23
Female Bunting	Philip Tan	23
Comal County Courthouse	Donnie Walton	22
Spider's Web	Julie Cheng	22
Gull with Crab	Scott Meyer	22
Torre del Paine in the Mist	Stephanie Rudd	21
Backyard Visitor	F. Joe Schmitt	21
Dragonfly on Lotus Head	Janet Chung	21
Here He Comes	F. Joe Schmitt	21
Halloween Pennant Dragonfly	Jane Ashley	20
Beetle on Flower	Joe Smith	20
Lots O' Bugs	Donnie Walton	20
Pause a Moment	Richard Lemmon	19
Outside Painted Church	Charles Edwards	19
The Gardener	Jane Ashley	19
Lake Sunrise	Richard Lemmon	19
LBJ Library, Austin	Charles Edwards	18

**26 images** avg. 22.0

Total entries - 50

Average Score – 21.5

Photographers – 13

## **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**

