



# REFLEX NEWS

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[www.houstonphotochromeclub.com](http://www.houstonphotochromeclub.com)

## From the President...

Greetings,

Our website (<https://houstonphotochromeclub.com>) has recently been updated. Under the Club History tab, there is a listing of current and prior officers as well as Photographer of the Year history and winning photos from PSA and GSCCC competitions. A gallery of photos which were winners of the HPC End of Year competition from 2017-2019 are also included. Be sure to enjoy all the beautiful photos.

Under the Competition tab, there is now a link to Instructions to Judges for scoring. These were previously in the By-laws but are now included here. They can be very helpful to all of us when self-evaluating our images prior to submission.

Many thanks to Steve Mayeux for updating the website and to Jane Ashley and Carmen Sewell for providing this information.

We're approaching the end of the year quickly. I hope all are doing well. If anyone needs help (photographic or otherwise) please reach out to our members. Everyone is willing to lend a helping hand.

## October Program

Please join us for October's program on October 22nd at 7:00 pm presented by Stephen Mayeux. He will discuss his experiences while taking PSA's Online Course "Creating Competitive Images".

This PSA members only course is designed to help photographers better understand the key parts of an image that may set them apart from others in competitions. The course consists of 6 lessons with multiple exercises in each lesson that must be completed in 6 months. He will discuss some of the key points presented and show some of his images submitted during the course.

The presentation will be on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM. The meeting link will be sent at a later date.

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

**Carmen Sewell  
csewell3@comcast.net  
by 9 PM October 3**

**Entries received after that will not  
be eligible for October Competition**

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



## Inter Club Competition

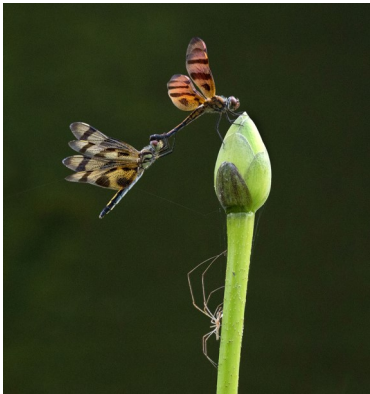
The Sept. results for GSCCC Nature competition are in, judged by the Cowtown Camera Club our images and scores were”

Dragonfly Mating – Janet Chung – 13 – 1<sup>st</sup>

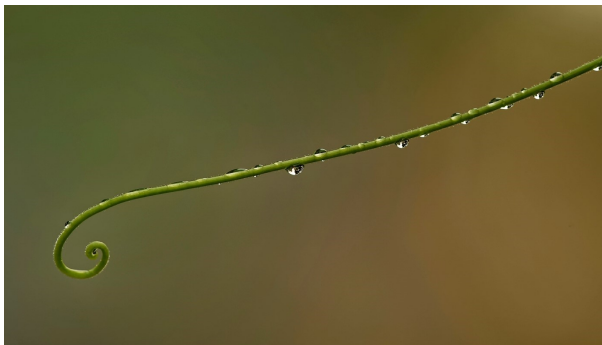
Rain Drops – Joe Smith – 11 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Alt Drop One – Julie Cheng - 9

Leopard Prowl – Scott Meyer – 9

I owe an apology to the club. Evidently GSCCC had Pictorial and Monochrome competition this month also to make up for the June cancellation. Don't know if I didn't get the information or failed to see it, but I missed it completely. Sorry. Jane Ashley



Dragonfly Mating by Janet Chung



Rain Drops by jJoe Smith

## Field Trip for October

My coworker's 5-year old son will resume soccer at the end of September. Yes, I am really excited about it. They are so cute and photogenic. I propose **Saturday, October 10** morning the photo field trip day. The hour and location will be announced later when I receive the information from my coworker.

I recommend fast camera and medium range of lenses, 70-200 or 100-400mm. Use large aperture and at least 1/500 second. Tripod and flash are not needed. Clean background is critical and challenging. Janet Chung

The **September** field trip was well attended and there were lots of Hummers.



September Field Trippers, Lt o R: Philip Tan, Stephenie Rudd, Ray Boolwaltter, Janet Chung, Dat Lien, James Gamble, Joe Smith.

## New Deadline for Submitting Image

Because the preparation of the competition slide show takes longer now, it is necessary to change the time for the last submission. Instead of midnight on the Saturday before the meeting, the cut-off time will be 9:00 PM. Images received after that time will not be accepted.

## **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:

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 will remain in effect until March of 2021.**

**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)**

# September Competition 2020

**Judges: Tim Bimler, Stephanie Rudd, Stephen Mayeux**

## Assignment-Everlasting Sun

Shining Through	Carmen Sewell	24
Sunrise View	Stephen Mayeux	24
Amazing Sunset Scene	Julie Cheng	22
Mesa Arch Sunrise	Dat Lien	22
African Evening	F. Joe Schmitt	21
Lone Rider in the Sunset	Janet Chung	20
Setting Sun	Philip Tan	20
Staring at the Sunset	Scott Meyer	20
Full Moon Rise	Joe Smith	19
Shadow Path	Jane Ashley	19
Sunset Behind the Hill	Charles Edwards	18
Above the Storm	Donnie Walton	17
Day's Done Cue the Sun	Richard Lemmon	17

**13 images Avg.20.2**

Monochrome		
It's All About the Hair	Stephen Mayeux	26
Mother and Child	Philip Tan	24
Thrush Look Up	Janet Chung	24
Amaryllis Bud	Tim Bimler	23
Fun Time	Julie Cheng	23
Zurich Reflections	Jane Ashley	22
Barn and Storm	Donnie Walton	21
Castle Display	Scott Meyer	21
Coming By	F. Joe Schmitt	21
Purple Martins	Joe Smith	20
Sandstone Swerve	Dat Lien	20
Two Windows	Charles Edwards	19
Still Together	Richard Lemmon	17

**13 images Avg. 21.3**

## Open

Bee Loves Lotus Flower	Julie Cheng	25
Cooling Off on a Hot Day	Carmen Sewell	24
Cutie Hummingbird	Julie Cheng	24
History of Cameras	Jane Ashley	24
Spider with Dragonfly	Jane Ashley	24
Milky Way Pano	Dat Lien	24
Crescent Moon	Joe Smith	23
Harris Hawk	Philip Tan	23
Hiding	F. Joe Schmitt	23
Lisbon Living	Richard Lemmon	23
The Butterfly	Tim Bimler	23
Grasshopper	Janet Chung	22
Wing Display	Wing Display	22
Mama and Baby Moose	Scott Meyer	21
Mom's Pride	Scott Meyer	21
Red Passion Flower	Carmen Sewell	21
Grand Prismatic Lake Pano	Dat Lien	21
Dragon Fly	Philip Tan	20
New Orleans Front Door	Charles Edwards	20
Purple Martin Fly-in	Joe Smith	20
Rio Frio Oak	Donnie Walton	20
Thermal Wonderland, NZ	F. Joe Schmitt	20
Moth on Thistle	Donnie Walton	19
On the Volga	Richard Lemmon	19
Fiesta Dancer	Stephanie Rudd	18
Berries in a Row	Charles Edwards	16

**26 images Avg. 21.5**

Total Images - 52

Avg. Score – 21.2

Photographers - 14

## **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 until March 2021.*

## **Membership Directory Now on the Website**

The 2020 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**

