

Champaign County Camera Club

Founding Member of the Central Illinois Camera Clubs Association

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http://www.champaigncountycameraclub.org/

NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2008

PROGRAM FOR LATE JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2008



Covered Bridge Truss © 2007 Jim Long First Place, Diagonals Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Monday, January 28, 6:30 PM. This evening will consist of two events. The scheduled program will be at 7:30 PM and is the following: Selection techniques for making composite images, presented by Jean Paley. There are several ways to isolate (select) and save a portion of an image on Photoshop. The 'Magic Wand' and 'Lasso' tools will be demonstrated, as will the use of a mask and the impact of Maximum and Minimum filters. In the process, we'll replace a dreary sky, repaint some doors, and jazz up a statue. Written handouts will be included.

At 6:30 PM, we will meet informally and discuss Photoshop techniques that can be used to improve the quality of an image. Members should bring an image that they'd like to discuss and see if the image can be improved. We might be able to do one or two such images in the hour. If this is successful, we'll try more of these in the future.



I'm Up © 2007 Ted Wetekemp First Place, People Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Monday, February 11, 7:30 PM. Illinois Colleges and Universities (public and private). Members are encouraged to take photos on the campuses of any college or university in Illinois and bring in 20 of their images this evening to share with others. Photos should be taken on or after January 1, 2007. This is similar to what we did this past year in taking photos in the Farmer City area, but we are not restricting the location of any of the colleges or universities where the photos will have been taken.



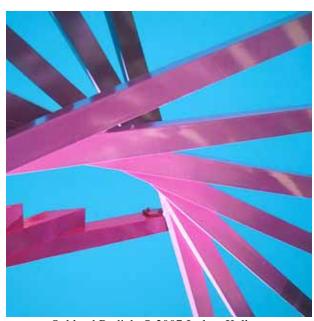
Daisies © 2007 Barry Brehm First Place, Creative/Contemporary Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Friday, February 15, 4PM. Best in Show Competition, Lincoln Square Village. We will arrange the entries in the 2008 Best in Show Competition for display. The show will be open to the public from Saturday, February 16 through Sunday, February 24. Club members are each asked to bring in two of their own prints relevant to the UIUC campus. For Club members, there are no time limits as to when the prints were taken. These will be hung on a wall adjacent to the competition prints. Note that the location for the exhibition in Lincoln Square has been changed. It will be in the eastern half of the main East-West corridor, and also the north hall leading to the Lincoln Square Management office.

Monday, February 25, 7:30 PM. Digital Competition. A. Landscapes/Waterscapes. B. Texture. C. Non-Flower Flora.

Monday, March 10, 7:30 PM. A presentation by Jim Long: Blending Images to Increase the Dynamic Range of Photographs. High contrast scenes, such as

sunsets with a darker foreground, are difficult, if not impossible to capture with a camera. The film or digital sensor in the camera does not have the capability to capture the range of light. Therefore, the photographer has to choose to either expose for the highlights and let the shadows go black, or expose for the shadows and let the highlights blow out. Film photographers address this issue by using graduated neutral density filters. Digital editing programs (e.g. Photoshop) provide additional tools for rendering pleasant images from these high contrast scenes. For example, the digital photographer can take two images (one for highlights, and one for shadows) and then blend the best parts of the two images together. Different techniques using Photoshop to accomplish this will be discussed.



Oakland Radials © 2007 Joshua Kellogg HM, Diagonals Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Monday, March 24, 7:30 PM. Starved Rock and Mathissen State Parks Images. Those members who went to Starved Rock and Mathissen State Parks in October (or at other times during the year) will show 20 images of their work.

Sunday, March 30. CICCA mid-year Reps meeting in Peoria. This date is still tentative. The meeting usually starts at about 1:30 in the downtown Holiday Inn in Peoria. People meet informally for lunch at noon at the Bennigan's in the Holiday Inn. The meeting is open to

everyone, although usually only Reps and CICCA officers attend.



Cancun © 2007 Adriana Smith Second Place, Diagonals Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

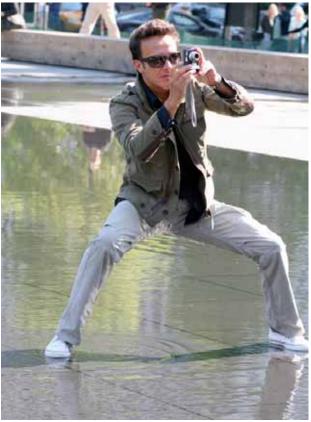
Results of the CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Category A. Diagonals: First, Covered Bridge Truss, by Jim Long. Second, Cancun, by Adriana Smith. Third, Cattail, by Barry Brehm. Fourth, Airport Interior, by Adriana Smith. HM: Oakland Radials, by Joshua Kellogg; Lighthouse Stairs, by Karen Rasmussen; Tiburon Sculpture with Visitor, by Mary Cattell; Reflection, by Jean Paley.

Category B: People: First, I'm Up, by Ted Wetemkemp. Second, Fountain Friends, by Mary Cattell. Third, Millennium Park Photographer, by Hiram Paley. Fourth, Chimping, by Jim Long. HM: Cutting Edge, and also Tyler, both by Ted Wetekemp; Naptime, and also Sharpeyed, both by Glenn Rasmussen; Dan, by Adriana Smith; Sleeping Drew, by Karen Rasmussen.

Category C: Creative/Contemporary: First, Daisies, by Barry Brehm. Second, Meadowbrook Trails Smear, by Jim Long. Third, Tulip Rotational Smear, by Jim Long. Fourth, Blue and Yellow, by Hiram Paley. HM: Daisy Glass Twirl, and also Sunflower Twirl, both by Mary Cattell; Crop Circle, by Barry Brehm; Mixed Metaphor, by Jean Paley;

Leaves and Reflections, by Barb Sandell; In His Own World, by Adriana Smith.



Millennium Park Photographer © 2007 Hiram Paley Third Place, People Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

PROGRAM FOR REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

Monday, April 14, 7:30 PM. Digital Competition and Print Competition. Digital: A. Complementary Colors. B. I-74 Challenge category: Patterns. Prints: General competition. In category A, an image should primarily have two complementary colors, such as Blue and Yellow, Green and Magenta, Red and Cyan. Of course, using a color wheel, one easily sees there is infinity of complementary colors. Category A is not a photo-realistic category.

Wednesday, April 16, 7 PM. Deadline for turning in digital images for our April Salon.

The categories are the same as last year's and are the following: A: Landscapes and/or Waterscapes. B: People. C: Fauna. D: Flora. E. Architecture. F. General. G:

Contemporary/Creative. Mary Cattell will tell us at an earlier meeting how we will handle prints.



Meadowbrook Trail Smear © 2007 Jim Long Second Place, Creative/Contemporary Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007



Leaves and Reflections © 2007 Barb Sandell HM, Creative/Contemporary Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Definitions of Salon Digital Categories

A: Landscapes and/or Waterscapes. Hand of man should appear minimally in these images.

B: People. Any aspect of human activity featuring one or more persons. This category includes portraits of people.

C: Fauna. Includes both wild and domesticated fauna.

D: Flora. Includes both wild and domesticated flora.

E. Architecture. Can be an image showing small architectural details up to a large number of structures, including buildings and bridges and other man-made structures.

F: General. Anything.

G: Contemporary/Creative. Images should have a contemporary or creative feeling. This

is the primary category for strongly manipulated, very drastically altered digital images, although such images may also be entered in F. General.

Bring your images to Jim Long's home by that time, or if it is more convenient, drop them at Hiram Paley's home by 6 PM (he will take them to Jim's) or make other arrangements with Jim.



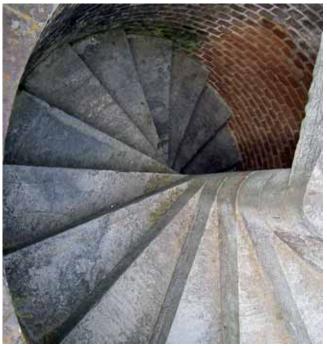
Mixed Metaphor © 2007 Jean Paley HM, Creative/Contemporary Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Saturday, April 19. CCCC Annual Salon. Print judging 10 AM. Lunch approximately Noon. Digital Image Judging 1:30 PM. Dinner with judges, 5:30 PM. Showing of prints and digital images with comments from judges, 7 PM. All judging and the show will be in W-115 Turner Hall.

Wednesday, May 7, 7PM. Annual Business Meeting and selection of images for I-74 Challenge. We will also plan our program for the next Club year.

Friday, May 16, 7PM. I-74 Challenge.

Category: Patterns. This Challenge will be held in Bloomington, at the National City Bank Center in downtown Bloomington. Photo editing will have the same limitations as we had for this past May's Challenge on Curves. That is, entries must be photo-realistic. Only modest applications of levels, curves, etc. may be used to alter the image.



Lighthouse Stairs © 2007 Karen Rasmussen HM, Diagonals Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

Future Events

CICCA Salons

CICCA Spring Individual Salon, 2008. This will be hosted by the Streator Camera Club in Streator on Saturday, May 3.

CICCA Fall Club Salon, 2008. Our club will host this event on November 7 and 8. We expect to use room W-115 Turner Hall for the judging. The dinner and evening show will be at Kennedy's.

PSA International Conferences

PSA 2008 International Conference,

Portland, OR, Aug. 31 – September 6, 2008, Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel.



Fountain Friends © 2007 Mary Cattell Second Place, People Category CCCC Digital Competition, December 3, 2007

PSA 2009 International Conference, West Yellowstone, MT, Sept. 20 – 26, 2009, Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort.



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Suites Hotel.

The Champaign County Camera Club was founded in November 1935. It is affiliated with the Central Illinois Camera Clubs Association (CICCA), of which it is a charter member. It is open to anyone with an interest in photography. For additional information, please contact any of the officers: President and Treasurer: Barry Brehm, 352-5835, barry7247@sbcglobal.net. Print Chair and CICCA Rep: Mary Cattell, 359-3050, mdc@soltec.net. Digital Chair: Jim Long, 333-2543, jhlong@uiuc.edu. Newsletter Editor: Hiram Paley, 384-8165, hpaley@gmail.com. Webmaster, Adriana P. Smith, apn@insightbb.com. Dues are \$18 for continuing members, and \$9 for a first year of membership. Please visit our website at http://www.champaigncountycameraclub.org/