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Austin Shutterbug Club Newsletter

Austin, Texas October 2011

Our guest speaker for the October ASC Meeting is Kirk Tuck. Kirk's presentation will be on Minimalist Lighting.

He describes himself on his website, www.kirktuck.com, as: A tone-deaf Austinite who doesn't own a pair of cowboy boots, has a weakness for strong coffee and loves to swim.

I've been taking photographs for international clients for two decades including among others: IBM, Dell computer, Elle Magazine, Time Warner, and Adventure Tours.

In the last few years I have also written and photographically illustrated five books about photography. Four of them are about lighting tools and techniques and one is about the business side of commercial photography. You can read about them on my author's page at Amazon.com

I also lecture from time to time at the University of Texas School of Photojournalism and I serve on the advisory board of the Austin Community College photography department.

If you are interested in reading more philosophical ramblings about photography, the role of the artist, the thought processes, etc. you might be a candidate for my blog. It's updated almost daily.

Here is the link: <http://visualsciencelab.blogspot.com/>



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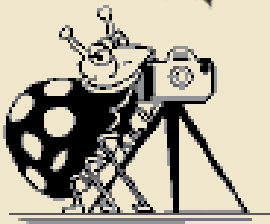
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December 2011

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October Meeting

Thursday, October 13, 2011 • 7:00 pm
Northwest Recreation Center
 2913 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78757

*Visitors are
 always
 welcome!*

September 2011 Evaluation and Critique
Judges were Brian Loflin, Shirley Loflin and Phil Charlton

In the **Assignment** category--**Sunrise**, out of 21 entries 12 received top scores:



Sunrise at the Pier - 15
Beverly Lyle



Austin Skyline at Sunrise - 14
Kushal Bose



The Glory of Dawn - 15
Linda Sheppard



Sunrise at Mesa Arch - 15
Beverly McCranie



Gulf Dawn - 14 Paul Munch



Galveston Beach - 14 Rose Epps



Sunrise - Mesa Arch - 15
Dolph McCranie



Ohio Farm at Sunrise - 15
Marlene Lebel



Sprague Lake Sunrise - 15
Pete Holland



Dawn Skyline - 15 John Baker



Fascinated Kid on Beach at Sunrise - 15
Raja Modugu



Tortilla Flats View - 15
Beverly Lyle

November Assignment - Shoot It Before It Disappears

We've all seen things, places, or buildings that looked interesting, and we wanted to photograph them, but for one reason or another, we didn't take the time. The next time you passed that way, maybe it was still there, and you had the time, and you photographed it. Unfortunately, all too often it's gone the next time you pass through. Your assignment for November is to take the time to photograph the things that are on the verge of disappearing due to encroaching development, or natural disaster, or just plain deterioration. This is your chance to immortalize something.

In the **General** category out of 27 entries 18 received top scores:



Red Lily - 15 Dolph McCranie



Italian
Courtyard
- 15
Lucy Durfee



Manhattan Beach Pier - 15
Raja Modugu



Something Old,
Something New
- 14
Gregg Mack



Winter Chill - 15 John Baker



Snow Clouds - 15 Pete Holland



Towering Webb - 15 John Davis



Palo Duro Ridge - 14
Tom Delaney



Grey Copper Gulch
Reflection - 15
Teresa Devine



Colorful
Curves,
Lower
Antelope
Canyon - 15
Rose Epps



Beautiful Austin Sunrise - 15
Kushal Bose



Hiya! - 15
Marlene Lebel



Taos Pueblo - 15
Kathy McCall



Farm House Window
- 15 Lucy Durfee



Does a
Massage
Come with
this Bath?
- 15
Phil Charlton



Better Late
than Never - 15
Mary Paige
Huey



Reflections
- 15
Paul Munch



Budapest Roman Catholic
Church - 15 Phil Charlton

ASC Field Trip • Texas Photo Festival

Sunday, October 9th • 1PM - 5 PM • Smithville, Texas

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the third annual Texas Photo Festival in Smithville, Texas. Here is an opportunity to photograph small town Texas on special sets with professional lighting by Wescott and posing by local residents. Last year, these sets included a bride, portraiture in various settings, the Smithville High School marching band, an ice cream parlor plus other sets. Doug Box and Randy Kerr will be giving short seminars at the various sets.

Everyone admitted to the festival area will register, receive a schedule and list of sets and sign a waiver permitting photographers to photograph anyone and everyone within festival limits.

We will meet at 1 PM at the Gazebo for an introduction by Randy and Doug. After the introduction, visit all the sets.

Around 4 PM in the Gazebo area there will be an opportunity to shoot models on the runway at Fashion Fest 2011.

About 5 PM-ish, we'll meet at Pocket's Grill for dinner.

Check out the website for more information and maps: <http://texasphotofestival.com/>

Lois Schubert
Events Coordinator



Taken at the Smithville
Texas Photo Fest 2010
by Kathy McCall



Annual Holiday and Awards Banquet

Thursday, December 8th

**Tres Amigos on
Capital of Texas Highway
Hwy 360.**

**6:00 PM Happy Hour
7:00 PM Dinner**

Awards to follow



Membership Juried Photography Exhibit

During the month of June 2012

**At North Hills Gallery
Northwest Hills
United Methodist Church**

June 6 through July 2, 2012

**Photographers Reception
June 10, 2012**

There will be a matting and framing workshop prior to the exhibit.

Linda Sheppard presented September's Member Moment
A fascinating slideshow of her wonderful images from a recent Alaskan trip.



This was taken while on the Tracy Arm Day Cruise out of Juneau. I was struck by the beautiful colors as well as the lines in the scene.



Also on the Tracy Arm Cruise this is the South Sawyer Glacier. We had already been up to that glacier and were passing back by when I was able to catch the view with the wonderful light and reflections.



A beautiful iceberg also on the Tracy Arm Cruise.



Taken about 10:00 PM from the Denali State Park Camp Ground. I more or less accidentally saw this sky with the dramatic shape of the mountains and light on the snow so was able to capture it.



Just some of the spectacular color and scenery in the heart of Denali National Park.



This was one of two pair of moose that we saw. These were right along the highway just before we got to Denali National Park.



A rare catch, this lynx was sitting right beside the road and posed nicely for us as we, on the tour bus, struggled to get into position to get the shot.

Austin Shutterbug Club Meeting Minutes September 22, 2011

President, Brian Loflin, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Visitors were introduced and welcomed.

Tonight's refreshments were provided by Greg Mack, Beverly Lyle, and Paul & Sharon Munch.

Treasurer, Paul Munch, stated that the ASC bank account has a balance of \$4655.80. He also reminded the group that dues are half price for the remainder of the year. He explained the dues paying process and passed the envelope.

Events coordinator, Lois Schubert, spoke briefly on the upcoming Smithville Photo Fest taking place on Oct. 9th, in Smithville, Tx. It is free on that date and will be open from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Anyone interested can meet with other ASC members at the Gazebo at 1:00. There will be several models and sets for photographers to shoot. At 5:00 p.m., members will meet at the Pocket Grill for dinner. More details will be emailed soon.

Brian then went over the highlights of the recent ASC Leadership meeting:

- The October meeting will be the 2nd Thursday of October (Oct. 13th).
- The holiday awards banquet will be at Tres Amigos on the 2nd Thurs of Dec. (Dec. 8th).
- There is \$4655.80 on the recent financial statement. We are ahead of budget and hope to stay ahead of budget for 2012.
- It was agreed that the Member Moments are encouraging to new members.
- Regarding Evaluation and Critique, it was noted that new members are participating and there have been positive comments. It is felt by most that it is a more consistent and valuable tool to newcomers. It is possible that "private reviews" may be made available to new members who just want feedback on their images rather than a score.
- The club would like to make more member workshops and programs available. He asked that people let him know what they would like to see.

- Shirley Loflin has secured an exhibit venue for us at the Northwest Methodist Church for the month of June 2012. She will be forming a committee to assist her. There will be a matting and framing workshop prior to the exhibit.
- Regarding communications, many thanks to Barbara Hunley, Website, and Kathy McCall, Newsletter, for their hard work. We are looking at other ways (e-communication) to have discussion forums, etc. Rose Epps will be working on brochures to hand out to visitors.
- According to the bylaws, board members are to be elected in November and installed in December. Please consider joining Brian in leading the club. If you have any suggestions/nominees, please see Brian.

Vice President and Programs, Pete Holland, announced that our October program will be Kirk Tuck, a local photographer and author. He has a series of books written on minimalist lighting.

This evening is Evaluation and Critique night. The assignment was "Rise and Shine" (Sunrises). Evaluation and Critique is an activity where members submit images and 3 judges score the images based on impact, composition and technique. There are two categories: General and Assignment. In General, any photo from anytime of anything can be submitted. In Assignment, specific topics are submitted. Brian praised the club for its outstanding work.

Brian reminded the group about the magazine/book exchange. Magazines are free for the taking, however, you must bring a gently used book in order to take a book.

Tonight's Member Moment is presented by Linda Sheppard. Linda will share her images from her recent Alaska trip.

The next assignment (November) is "Shoot It Before It Disappears."

Brian reminded the group that our next meeting will be October 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Call for Entries and Photography Events

The Icons of Photography No.12 lecture series
An Evening with Henry Horenstein
• Friday, November 18th • 7pm

Blanton Museum Auditorium | University of Texas
• \$5 student/senior/military in advance | \$10 at the door
• \$15 general admission in advance | \$20 at the door
• ACP Members FREE
<http://www.visitacp.org/events/>

Texas Highways Magazine Want List
Deadline: January 1, 2012

We will feature four drives next year,
we have three selected as of now.

- Chalk Mountain: Stephenville-Granbury-Glen Rose-Stephenville
- Brownwood-Cross Plains-Rising Star-Comanche-Brownwood
- Del Rio-Past Devils River State Park up to Sonora Ozona-Juno-Comstock-Del Rio.

See: <http://www.texasphoto.org/NatNewsCompetitions.html>

For more "Call for Entries" see
www.texasphoto.org/NatNewsCompetitions.html,
The website of the Texas Photographic Society

Club Leadership for 2011

President	Brian Loflin	331-2820
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Competition Co-Chairman	Tom Delaney	266-6490
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Events Coordinator	Lois Schubert	947-4864
Events Coordinator	Linda Sheppard	306-1516
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Refreshments Chairman	Charlaine Matthews	418-9405
Refreshments Chairman	Bev McCranie	394-9031
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