Club Meetings

Tuesday, May 2 LPS Board Meeting Mimi's Café <u>1450 Fall River Drive</u> Loveland, CO 5:30/6:30 PM

Monday, May 8 Monthly Club Meeting Vineyard Church Of the Rockies <u>900 Josephine Court</u> Loveland, Colorado 6:30-9:30 PM

Saturday, May 13 Photo Bull Session Daz Bog Coffee Shop <u>556 Lincoln</u> Loveland, CO 8:30–10 :30 AM

Monday, May 15 Photo Review Session Loveland Library Gertrude Scott Room <u>300 Adams Avenue</u> Loveland, CO 7:00-9:00 PM



Architectural Photography Presented by Raul Garcia

BY TONY PARISO PROGRAMS@LPS.CC



May Meeting Agenda

Almost two years ago, Ann Yang sent me an email suggesting I attempt to get Raul Garcia to present to our club. She said he had presented to the Fort Collins club almost four years before and had been one of their best speakers. Based on Ann's recommendation Raul was contacted and was scheduled for our November 2016 meeting. Business commitments got in the way but Raul graciously contacted his friend Dave Lehl and arranged for him to speak in his stead. Dave gave a great presentation and now we finally get to hear from Raul.

As always, I recommend you visit Raul's website <u>http://astulainc.com/</u> in anticipation of his presentation. His work is outstanding, he has captured images of architectural masterpieces all over the world. His inclusion of motion in architectural images is a fascinating and powerful technique that I'm hopeful he will share with our club.

Raul studied photography and painting at California College of the Arts and Northern Arizona University. Originally a painter/printmaker, his obsession with the art of photography began in the darkroom, while watching his photographs take shape. A few years later, his passion for architectural photography was born. He opened his studio, ASTULA, in 2008. The name is derived from the Latin Atelier, meaning workshop or studio, especially for an artist or designer. Astula literally translates to plank or splinter of wood , and denotes Origination.

Raul's presentation promises to expose us all to images and techniques that may encourage us to further explore the world of architectural photography. Just visiting his website is a learning experience, don't miss this opportunity to learn from an artist who is clearly a master in this field.

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The e-Newsletter for the Loveland Photographic Society

Newsletter Deadline

In order to publish the newsletter by the first of the month, please <u>email</u> your articles by the 28th of the previous month, maybe sooner if there are a bunch of pictures involved. Any plain text file, email body text, or a Microsoft Word compatible document will do, with pictures embedded or attached separately. Please don't convert pure text files to PDF format.

Field Trip Registration

To register for a field trip, logon to the website, go to the calendar and click on the event. Click on **Registration Information** (lower left-hand corner) to sign up.

Submitting Pictures for the Monthly Competition or Photo Review Session

- Log on to the LPS.CC website
- Mouse over the Competitions dropdown on the Home Page.
- Select menu item:
 Submit images to a Competition
- Select the Competition or the Third Monday Photo Review
- Click the Select button on the Left side.
- At the bottom of the screen, click on Upload images into the Competition.
- Then click on the button Select which will open a window on your computer to select images.
- Click on **Save Images** The monthly competitions allow a single image per competition.

The photo review session allows up to two images — title the images with the letters A and B followed by your last name. This will allow us to limit the number of images if necessary.

SIG Meetings

2nd Wednesday NikonFX Group Wednesday, May 10 LoCo Artisan Coffee House

544 N. Cleveland Ave.

Loveland, CO 6:30-8:30 PM

Mac Users Group

Thursday, May 18 Poole's Residence in Seven Lakes Patio Homes and Cottages <u>2915 Purgatory Creek Dr.</u> Loveland. CO 6:30 PM 970-481-2175 for more information



Competition Ribbons

BY JOHN POOLE

In the past LPS offered award ribbons for Best of Show and Award of Merit winners. Many ribbons were never claimed so the practice was discontinued last year. There have been several requests for ribbons this year and we still have unused stock from prior years. If you are a competition winner and you would like to have a ribbon for your winning photo, please email a request to John Poole and we will supply ribbons until our stock runs out. Access to John's email is available in the members directory on the LPS website

Interesting Website

BY JERRY NEFF

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This link to NASA's Operation IceBridge in Pictures may be of interest for our traveling members.

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Suggestion Box

Suggestions or comments concerning the club can be <u>submitted here</u>, which in reality is an email to the editor. Your email will be forwarded to the appropriate board member. Thanks for your input!

CLASSIFIEDS

If you have any camera equipment you would like to sell, you can <u>list your item</u> in the newsletter. The listing will be a one time entry (one month). Be sure to include your contact information, and check sources like B&H, Adorama, etc for realistic pricing.

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Competition Corner

By Kristi Norman Competition@LPS.CC

Please congratulate the following members who have advanced to the next level of competition during April 2017.

Masters level

Ardeth Carlson

Intermediate

Robert Huffsmith Jeff Stephenson

Upcoming monthly competition topics:

May: Local Landmark — within 100 miles of Loveland/Fort Collins

Submission deadline: Monday, May 1, 2017, 11:59 P.M.

June: Forgotten (places) — Abandoned buildings, Back alleys, ruins, barns, antiques,

weathered wood, family heirloom, vintage signs, etc.

Submission deadline: Monday, June 5, 2017, 11:59 P.M.

Please keep the judging criteria in mind:

Impact and Viewer Interest — "Wow" factor is the nebulous quality where an image "pops". This subjective aspect of judging should not preempt the technical or composition aspects of an image.

Composition — Good composition is a pleasing arrangement of the elements in an image. There are many guidelines for good composition that judges may consider.

Technical Quality — This includes sharpness,

focus, color, tonal scale, contrast, appropriate depth of field and other qualities. Consideration is also given for the effect the photographer was trying to achieve such as high key, multiple exposure, selective focus, etc.

Monthly Topics — The subject matter should be related in some manner to the topic. While there are no formal "deductions" or penalties, judges may reduce their overall score if they feel the image does not align with monthly topic. With that said, creative interpretation is encouraged.

Future Competition Topics

July Travelogue Entry Deadline Monday, July 3, 2017, 11:59 P.M.

August

Henri Cartier-Bresson "eques" Entry Deadline Monday, August 7, 2017, 11:59 P.M.

September

A Shot in the Dark Entry Deadline Monday, September 4, 2017, 11:59 P.M.

October B&W Entry Deadline Monday, October 2, 2017, 11:59 P.M.

Bird Shoot at Denver City Park

COORDINATED BY GUY TURENNE

Join the Fort Collins Digital Camera Club outing to Denver City Park on Sunday, May 21. This is a half-day outing to shoot nesting Egrets, Herons, and Cormorants.

The best shooting conditions occur from just after sunrise until about 9:00 to 9:15, at which time bird activity slows down and the sun angle starts to wash out the details of the birds — especially the white Egrets. I generally try to get there by 7:00 to 7:15.

For carpooling heading south, FCDCC generally meets at the north east corner of the Harmony Rd. Transportation Center and we will be meeting at 6:00. The park and ride lot at 34/I-25 at 6:10/6:15 could work for people living in Loveland. Register in advance to avoid being left in the parking lot.

There is a small island in the large pond that is a rookery for Double-crested Cormorants, Blackcrowned Night Herons, Snowy Egrets and occasionally small numbers of Cattle and Great Egrets. There are probably over 100 nests on he island. There are photo ops of birds in flight bringing nesting materials, birds on nests, and given the warm weather we have been having. By the 21st maybe even some just hatched birds.

One end of the island is quite close to the shoreline so a long lens is not really needed. Anything from about 150mm to 600mm will get shots. I generally use my 100-400.

It is a popular place and there will be lots of other photographers there.

Contact Guy Turenne for more information at <u>spilunkr@aol.com</u>



2017 Youth Showcase Results

BY RUTH SPRAIN

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Six photos won first places in the print competition for the LPS Youth Showcase. The winners are:

Jennette Valenzula Picken Tech., Aurora Architecture

Taran Wilkewitz Polaris, Ft. Collins Color Choice/Creative

Bailey Graham Silver Creek, Longmont Monochrome Choice/Creative

Liviya Harmon Polaris, Ft. Collins Photojournalism

Olivia Jackson Polaris, Ft. Collins Portrait or Animals

Jennette Valenzula Picken Tech, Aurora Landscapes

Jennette Valenzula from Picken Tech. in Aurora is the winner of the Nancy Abrahams Best Senior Award. Jennette receives a \$250 check from LPS for the award. The 1st place winners receive a \$25 gift card from Jax, ribbon, and certificate. Jax is a sponsor of the LPS Youth Showcase and donates \$100 in gift cards for the awards. See photos on next page.

PSA Youth Showcase

Winning photos from the LPS Youth Showcase were submitted to the PSA Youth Showcase, which is an international competition. This year almost 1,000 print and digital photos photos were submitted to the PSA Youth Showcase. Sixteen of the photos from LPS were accepted for display at the PSA Conference in September 2017.

In addition, these four students received cash prizes for their photos.

Kelsie Bryan from Mountain View High School received a first place in the People/Animals category.

Delaney Hunt from Poudre High received a second place in the Landscape/Waterscape category.

Morgan Morrow from Legacy High School received a third place in the Architecture category.

Madison Zamudio from Frederick High received an Honorable Mention in the Monochrome Choice category.

Congratulations, students!

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Sand Wash Basin Field Trip in June

Sand Wash Basin Wild Horse Management Area west of Maybell, CO on June 3-4. It is roughly a five hour drive to the very small town of Maybell. There are a limited number of rooms available at two locations across the street from the Town Park. Some will likely be staying in the campground at the Town Park. Not confirmed if the fees have changed, but previously the campground was \$5/night, \$10/night with electric hookup. The campground has a facility that includes hot showers.

If interested in this field trip, contact Guy Turenne for more information at <u>spilunkr@aol.com</u>

First Annual Loveland Parks and Recreation Photo Contest

BY ANDY FROTHINGHAM

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Loveland's Parks and Recreation Department is having their first annual photo contest, and is reaching out to LPS members for submissions.

Entrants can submit up to five original photos that illustrate the quality of life that Parks and Recreation amenities bring to the Loveland community. Entries will be accepted between March 1 and May 31.

Winners will be chosen from five categories; Parks, Open Lands and Trails, Recreation, Golf, and Landscapes and Wildlife and one grand prize winner will be chosen. Winning entries will receive \$50, and the grand prize winner will receive \$100. Additionally, winning photos may be used in Parks and Recreation publications and promotions, and will be featured on the department's social media accounts. Winners will be announced in July.

For more information, please visit our website: <u>cityofloveland.org/parksrecreation/photocontest</u>

Join the Club!

If you are reading the newsletter as a nonmember and would like to join the Loveland Photographic Society, go to the main page on the LPS.CC website and click on **Membership > Join or Renew.**

When using PayPal and paying with a business account, please send an email to <u>treasurer@lps.cc</u> identifying the name of the payee.

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LPS Youth Showcase 1st Place Print Winners



Hinkley Jennette Valenzula, Picken tech ARCH



Tough Decisions Bailey Graham, Silver Creek MCHOI



You Took Away the Light Taran Wilkewitz, Polaris CCHOI



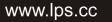
Days Passing By Liviya Harmon, Polaris PJOU



Stitches Olivia Jackson, Polaris PORA



On The Road To Utah Jennette Valenzula, Picken tech Scape



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