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Meets first and third Tuesdays of each month at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet near Hillcroft

## Field Trip—May 21

### Lawther—Deer Park Prairie Preserve

This is an opportunity that doesn't come along very often. Access to Deer Park Prairie Preserve is by appointment only and requires a guide. You are going to see one of the few sections of gulf coast prairie remaining. Expect to find wildflowers, insects and butterflies, and a variety of animals. Check it out on the internet.

We will meet at 8:30 at 1222 E. Purdue Lane, Deer Park, 77536. This is a residential area. Because there is limited parking, please consider carpooling. And do not park along the curb directly in front of the neighboring houses.

Be prepared for uneven terrain, biting insects, plants with thorns. Wear closed-toe shoes, long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and a hat. Bring water and insect repellent. Bring both a regular lens and a macro lens, if you have one. You also need a signed release waiver, found on the last page of this Rangefinder.

Lisa and Marc Auerbach, Field Trip Co-Chairs

## Workshop — May 17

### Portraiture

This month's workshop is about making studio portraits. HCC member and professional photographer **Mark Katz** will show us how he photographs his clients in his Meyerland studio. He will detail: lighting, posing and making clients feel comfortable in front of the lens. If time permits, Mark will also show how he edits his images in Adobe Camera Raw.

Come and learn from a master.

Mark Katz and Thejas Rajaram, Workshop Co-Chairs

Refreshments: Leslie Niemand

## Tuesday, May 3, 2016

**Competition Meeting:**—Projected Digital Images and Prints

Send digital images to Bob Jump at [bjump77030@gmail.com](mailto:bjump77030@gmail.com) by **Saturday, April 30.**

- **Projected Image Competition**—Enter two images in any two of the four categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism).
- **Print Competition**—Enter two prints in any two of the four categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism).
- **Creative**—Enter one projected image and/or one print.
- **Monochrome**—Enter one projected image and/or one print.
- **Unlimited Prints** —Enter one print.
- **Assignment for May**—*My Own Back Yard*  
Enter one projected image and/or one print.

**Judges:** Marilyn Holloway, Henry Peterman, Glenn Sternes

**Competition Table:** Charles Edwards, Mai Tran, Rachel Burychka, Ross McEathron, Leslie Niemand,

**Refreshments:** Rachel Burychka

## Calendar—Upcoming Activities

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|---------|-------------------------------|
| May 3   | Competition Meeting           |
| May 5-8 | GSCCC Convention - Beaumont   |
| May 17  | Workshop—Portraiture          |
| May 21  | Field Trip— Deer Park Prairie |

## Upcoming Assignments

**June** Still Life  
**July** Movement, But Not Water  
**August** Festivals

## GSCCC 2016 Convention

It is almost here. We hope you are coming, too. GSCCC's spring convention will be held in Beaumont, TX, from **Thursday, May 5, through Sunday, May 8.**

A number of industry experts will be featured. Speakers will include Rick Sammon, a Canon Explorer of Light, William Innes, a member of the Panasonic Luminix Luminary team, and Judy Host, a renown portrait photographer. In addition to presentations and classes, there will be field trips to well-know wild life photography locations.

This is a great way to spend a weekend learning more about photography and listening to great photographers share beautiful images, tips and techniques.

You can make hotel reservations and convention reservations now. Additional information on the convention reservations can be found on the web site, [www.gulfstateccc.org/convention-1/](http://www.gulfstateccc.org/convention-1/)



Nightclub Act

By: Glenn Sternes

## Refreshments

We all like the refreshments provided by club members. And, we need volunteers to bring them on an ongoing basis. Everyone should take a turn. Do your part. Please add your name to the signup sheet for a convenient meeting. If no one volunteers, there won't be any refreshments.



Determined to Win

By: Marilyn Holloway

## Photography Class Houston—HMNS

### Art Wolfe - Photography as Art

**May 23 9:00—3:00**

The GSCCC Newsletter previously reported on this class being taught at the Houston Museum of Natural Science. It will be held on May 23. For more information, check on the HMNS website.

## Photographer Saying:

*If you are out there shooting, things will happen for you.. If you're not out there, you'll only hear about it. –*

Jay Maisel

## March Competition Results

Judged April 5 2016

Judges: Charles Edwards, Ramiro Sanchez, Joe Sandler

### Projected Images

#### **Pictorial Category** – 9 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (23 pts)	Gold Rush	T. Rajaram
2 <sup>nd</sup> (22 pts)	World Inverted	F. Cabral
3 <sup>rd</sup> (20 pts)	Ironworks	R. Sanchez
(19 pts)	Buffalo Bayou Rose	K. Goggin
	Cherry Way	T. Rutledge
	Richard Kirsten Builder 8173	C. Lee
(17 pts)	Bluebonnet Portrait	C. Edwards
	Mountain Fall	G. Jump
(16 pts)	Lake Las Colinas	T. Lee

#### **Nature Category** – 9 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (25 pts)	Lover	T. Tran
2 <sup>nd</sup> (22 pts)	Gull Eating Ground Eel	M Holloway
3 <sup>rd</sup> (21 pts)	Damselflies	M. Tran
(19 pts)	Assassin Bug Lunch	F. Cabral
	Bee Bonnet	K. Goggin
(18 pts)	The Alligator Eye	R. Sanchez
(17 pts)	Autumn Sun	T. Rutledge
	Enchanted Rock 6963	C. Lee
	Sunset Horizon	C. Edwards

#### **Photojournalism Category** – 2 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Determined to Win	M. Holloway
2 <sup>nd</sup> (17 pts)	Nightclub Act	G. Sternes

#### **Travel Category** – 6 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Before the Sunrise	M. Tran
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Niagara Fall	T. Tran
	What the Bird Saw	T. Rajaram
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	La Trinidad Restaurant Band	G. Sternes
(17 pts)	Dallas Blue Hour	T. Lee
(16 pts)	Teton Fall	G. Jump

## Projected Images Continued

#### **Creative Category** – 6 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (19 pts)	Fly Home	M. Tran
2 <sup>nd</sup> (18 pts)	Casula Living on Mars	T. Rajaram
	Fuscina ala Mai	T. Rutledge
3 <sup>rd</sup> (17 pts)	Black Hole	F. Cabral
(16 pts)	Patterned Ovals Squiggle	G. Sternes
	Yellow Wood Sorrel 7912	C. Lee

#### **Monochrome Category** – 10 entries

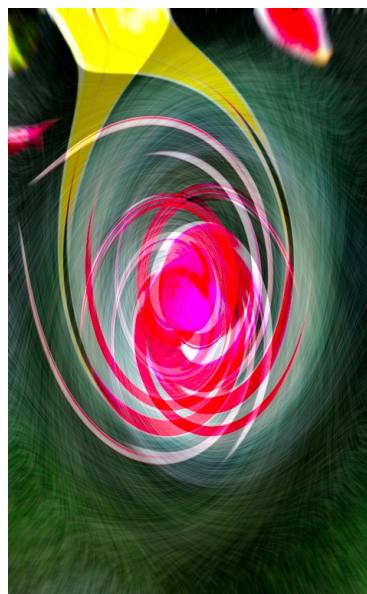
1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Baury Garden Statuary 8122	C. Lee
	Contemplation	T. Lee
2 <sup>nd</sup> (21 pts)	Black Dahlias	M. Tran
	Pearl Rises From Abyss	T. Rajaram
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Cuban Banyan Tree	G. Sternes
	Moonlit Rocks	F. Cabral
	Red Rock Formation	C. Edwards
	Sunrise Hot Springs	G. Jump
(17 pts)	Theater	T. Rutledge
(15 pts)	Drinking Fountain	R. Sanchez

#### **Assignment Projected:** *Street Life* - 10 entries

Winner: Toymaker's Son T. Rajaram

#### **Quarterly Field Trip Projected:** - 1 entry

Winner: Buffalo Bayou T. Rutledge



Fuscina ala Mai

By: Terry Rutledge

## April Competition Results

### Prints

#### **Pictorial Category** – 4 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Columbine	M. Tran
	St. John the Baptist	C. Lee
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Mountain View	B. Jump
3 <sup>rd</sup> (17 pts)	Sacred Bath	T. Rajaram

#### **Nature Category** – 3 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (24 pts)	Osprey with 1/2 Fish	M. Holloway
2 <sup>nd</sup> (22 pts)	Egret Babies	M. Tran
	Dotted Blue Eyed Grass	C. Lee

#### **Photojournalism Category** – 2 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	BMX Pro	M. Holloway
	No Block on the Basket	G. Sternes

#### **Travel Category** – 3 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Praying at Western Wall	G. Sternes
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Follow the Shore	B. Jump
3 <sup>rd</sup> (19 pts)	From an Ocean-Facing Room	T. Rajaram

#### **Creative Category** – 4 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Painting Orchid	M. Tran
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	Face of Fibers	T. Rajaram
	Jewels Abed	G. Sternes
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Fuzzy Angel 8757	C. Lee

#### **Monochrome Category** – 5 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Patterns	B. Jump
2 <sup>nd</sup> (21 pts)	Vagabond Artist	T. Rajaram
	Capernaum Peacock Mosaic Floor	G. Sternes
3 <sup>rd</sup> (20 pts)	Noir Daisy	M. Tran
(19 pts)	Marie Kocourek	C. Lee

#### **Unlimited Category** – 4 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (24 pts)	Old T.X. Cypress	M. Tran
2 <sup>nd</sup> (22 pts)	The Cast Flight	T. Rajaram
3 <sup>rd</sup> (21 pts)	Nice Feather	B. Jump
	Richard Kirsten, Builder	C. Lee

#### **Assignment Prints:** *Street Life* - 4 entries

Winner:	The Eldest Daughter	T. Rjaram
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## Prints Continued

**Quarterly Field Trip Prints:** - 3 entries

Winner: Juvenile Whooping Crane M. Holloway

## Interclub Competitions



### GSCCC

### No Results Reported

### PSA

### No Results Reported



## 2016 PSA Conference— San Antonio

This year's conference will be held September 10 through September 17 at the Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk. Registration has begun. You do not need to be a member to attend, and you do not need to attend all days of the conference. For more information, look at the PSA website [psa-photo.org](http://psa-photo.org) and then click the Conference tab at the upper right.

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