

Competition Meeting—February 6

7:00 At Bayland

Our competition meeting will be held at Bayland. It starts at 7:00 p.m. and will conclude by 9:00 p.m.

We are looking forward to seeing you. But if you have been exposed to Covid recently or are not feeling well, please stay home and take care of yourself.

Refreshments: Maarilyn Holloway, Julius Klehm, Gwen Kunz

Field Trip—Saturday, February 10

Our field trip is to the **Houston Botanical Garden** for a special exhibit, **Radiant Nature**. The exhibit has spectacular larger-than-life Chinese lantern installations arranged in three areas of the gardens. This is an opportunity to bring your spouse or a friend along to see the show. There is food available and also shopping.

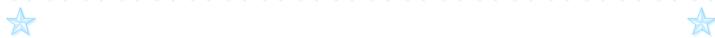
We will meet on Saturday, February 10 at 6:00 p.m. at the main entrance to the garden. The address is 1 Botanic Lane off Park Place Blvd in Houston. Don't be late. We will be there for sunset and the blue hour, but, no moon. The garden remains open until 10:00 p.m.

Our group rate for admission to Houston Botanical Garden is \$22.50 per person. Parking also needs to be arranged in advance. Onsite parking limited and is \$10.00. Offsite parking with a shuttle to the garden is available for \$5.00. For those who have signed up, the admission and parking have been paid in advance. If you decide that you want to come, you need to let **Terry Rutledge** know NOW. (Non-group admission to this exhibit is \$28.00 plus parking.)

Bring a small flash light. Bring your camera and a fast lens if you have one. Tripods and wagons are not allowed. Use camera stabilization and consider a monopod.

Please be sure to see the website for more information: hbg.org/radiantnature24/4028

Terry Rutledge, Field Trip Coordinator



COMPETITION MEETING

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

January and February will be judged in separate competitions at the meeting. For each month's competition, regular rules apply.

- **Projected Image Competition**— Enter two images in categories: Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism. Only one image may be entered in a category.
- **Print Competition**—Enter two images in categories: Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism. Only one image may be entered in a category.
- **Creative and Monochrome**—Enter one projected image and/or one print in each category.
- **Unlimited Prints** —Enter one print.

Assignment: Enter one projected image and/or one print.

Judges: Terry Rutledge, Henry Peterman, Malcolm McCorquodale,

Competition Table: Marilyn Holloway

FEBRUARY COMPETITION

Projected Images: Send digital images to Marilyn Holloway at hccprojection@gmail.com by Tuesday, **January 30, 2024**

February Assignment: *Circles*

MARCH COMPETITION

Projected Images: Send digital images to Marilyn Holloway at hccprojection@gmail.com by Tuesday, **February 27, 2024**

March Assignment: *Patterns in Winter*



Calendar—Upcoming Activities

February 6	Competition Meeting—Bayland
February 10	Field Trip—Houston Botanic Garden— Radiant Nature
February 20	Video Judging of PSA Nature Images
February 27	Deadline—March Projected Image Submissions

Upcoming Assignments

March	Patterns in Winter
April	Disappearing Object
May	Unusual Cloud

PSA Nature Competition Judging— February 20

By Video—6:00 p.m.

Our club is judging PSA Nature, Group A entries at our third Tuesday meeting, February 20. You don't want to miss seeing these images—it will be something really special.

A link to the online session will be sent closer to the

Judging Workshop

At our November Workshop meeting, **Ross McEathron** and **John Niemand** presented a program about judging images. You can also use those same techniques to improve the images that you make. The presentation referred to 12 elements that a judge or photographer should consider.

To understand those elements read the article “**Improve Your Photography with the 12 Elements of a Merit Image**”. This article is two pages long. If you want to be a better photographer, make the time to read it.

It was published by Professional Photographers of America, at

ppa.com/articles/photo-competition-prep-understand-the-12-elements-of-a-merit-image.

John Niemand



GSCCC 2024 Convention April 11 — 13 Lafayette, LA

Details for this years GSCCC Convention are available on the GSCCC website, gulfstatesccc.org/2024-convention

Reservations for both the convention and for the hotel can be made. You can also register for various events. Some have limited space. So if you are interested, you need to check it out now.

Members of HCC have been to a number of GSCCC Conventions. The pricing is reasonable, the events are fun and interesting, the speakers are knowledgeable, and there are lots of friendly people interested in photography. What more could you want? You will not be disappointed if you decide to attend.



Veteran's Memory Park

By: Tom Lee

The 2023 Daura Landscape Award Winning Image



Can Creek, Vanderpool Texas

By: Ramiro Sanchez



PSA Interclub Competitions

No Results Reported

GSCCC Interclub Competitions

GSCCC Competitions Judged January 2024

By: Lafayette Photographic Society

GSCCC Color Images

Cheers	Marilyn Holloway	12
Golden Beach	Thejas Rajaram	11
Red Lily Design	Buz Cabral	9
Cholla Blossoms	John Lumb	9

GSCCC Monochrome Images

Ages Old	Marilyn Holloway	14*
Bells Of San Juan Capistrano	Buz Cabral	12
Dancer	Tom Lee	9
Chimney Rock Colorado	Terry Rutledge	9

* Marilyn's image was awarded 3rd place. Please congratulate her.

GSCCC Nature Images

Four Hungry Babies	Julius Klehm	12
Green Berries Postpono Starvation	Marilyn Holloway	11
Yellow Sulfur Butterfly On Sow Thistles	Buz Cabral	10
Orchard Orb Weaver On Palm	Terry Rutledge	9

GSCCC Photojournalism Images

Checkered Flag	Terry Rutledge	12*
Jiu Jitsu Contest	Marilyn Holloway	11#
Bubble Flip	Ramiro Sanchez	11
Rider Down	Julius Klehm	10

* Terry image was awarded 3rd place.

Marilyn's image was awarded 2nd Alternate.

Congratulations to you both.



Preparing My Nest By: Julius Klehm



Country Doctor Desk By: Ramiro Sanchez

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