

January 10, 2008 Minutes

We had 13 members and 2 guests, Pat McKee and Roman Bryson, at the January 10, 2008 OVCC meeting, the first for 2008. There were 20 prints entered into the photo competition in the category "Portraits." The overall quality was excellent.

Mark Hamilton has set the club up with a new email group address which will be shared with the members once it is ready for use. We will eventually be using it to communicate club news instead of my current email distribution group. It will eliminate the huge header that appears with the current distribution list. To be added to this new group, send an email to Mark Hamilton with your information.

Laura Moul, a noted local photographer and long-time member of the Charleston Camera Club (CCC) will give a program at the January 24th meeting on "Marketing Your Prints."

The Charleston Camera Club (CCC) would like to resume the annual joint meeting with OVCC. This was a fun event in the club's previous life. It involves a joint photo competition among the membership of both clubs with the winners getting custody of one of three (now four) traveling trophies for the year. The clubs took turn hosting the meeting in alternate years. More information will be distributed on this later.

CCC has also invited OVCC to participate in a photo exhibition to be held in September 2008 at the State Capital. Photos exhibited will have to be matted and framed. More details later.

Mike Adkins has proposed a photo outing in late February to the Orlando, FL area. One-way airfare between Huntington and Orlando runs between \$49 and \$79, depending how far in advance the reservation is made. The total cost of the trip would be around \$300 or \$400 per person. Departure would be on a Thursday evening, returning Sunday. If you are interested, get in contact with Mike (mike.adkins@verizon.net). The Jacksons say late February is the spring flower time in Orlando.

Mike distributed a draft copy of revised Rules of Competition. See him at a future meeting for a copy. Please mark your comments on your copy and return it to him. Some of the changes include: adding a new competency class (Journeyman) between Tyro and Advanced; awarding competency points for things outside our photo competitions such as winning awards in outside photo contests, juried exhibitions, publication in a major publication, etc.

Several potential members have indicated that the Thursday meeting day prevents them from joining the club. We may want to discuss moving the meeting day back to the traditional Friday. Friday was the most popular choice on the member survey that was distributed last year. Friday would also eliminate conflicts with the summer art classes that the museum offers each year. Come to the next meeting prepared to weigh in on this topic.

A reminder: Annual dues must be paid by the first meeting in March 2008.

Our next meeting is on January 24, 7:00 PM in Studio 3 at HMOA with Laura Moul presenting her program on "Marketing Fine Art Photography".

Fred Huff Secretary, OVCC

The following is a revision of the winners list for the Jan. 10 photo competition. The revision was necessary because Rick Jackson was erroneously placed in the Color Tyro class instead of the Color Advanced class.

Color Advanced:

1st: Michael Adkins + BOS

2nd (tie): Connie Jackson and Joyce Saunders 3rd (tie): Rick Jackson and Rick

Jackson

Color Tyro:

1st: Jeff Bryson

2nd (tie): Kathy Smith and Jeff Bryson

3rd: Kathy Smith

B&W Advanced: 1st: Michael Adkins 2nd: Michael Adkins

B&W Tyro:

2nd: Kathy Smith (averaged less than 7.0 for the 13 ballots cast)

Enhanced:

1st: Michael Adkins 2nd: Michael Adkins