

April 10, 2008 Minutes

We had 14 members in attendance, including Amy Sieweke, our newest member who joined tonight. There were 29 outstanding prints entered into tonight's competition. The winners are:

* Black and White Tyro *
1st place – "Unplugged" - Jeff Bryson
2nd place – "Black Water Falls" - Betty Stepp
3rd place – "Out Back" - Jeff Bryson

* Color Tyro *

1st place – "Art Deco Marguee" - Fred Huff

2nd place – "My Fair Lady" - Betty Stepp

3rd place – "IN!" - Fred Huff

* Digitally Enhanced *
1st place – "Trio Smoke Art" - Mike Adkins
2nd place – "Vintage Steam" - Fred Huff
3rd place – "Springtime Smoke Art" - Mike Adkins

* Black and White Advanced *

1st place – "Yeah, It's Digital" - Larry Reese

2nd place – "Cold Drink" - Rick Jackson

3rd place – "Tribute to Dad" - Iris Burd

* Color Advanced *
1st place – "Columbine" - Rick Jackson
2nd place – "Serenity" - Phil Pelfrey
3rd place – "Ready for Action" - Della Lewis (tie)
3rd place – "The Queen's Lace" - Iris Burd (tie)

* Color Advanced Con't *
3rd place – "Kaleidoscope" - Iris Burd (tie)
3rd place – "Got Nuts" - Connie Jackson (tie)
Honorable Mention – "Spring Promise" - Rick Jackson

* Best of Show * Rick Jackson

If you have been following the email threads, you know that several members had prints accepted for juried evaluation by the Tri-State Arts Association, the first step in becoming a member. Congratulations to Sally Williams, Betty Stepp, Mike Adkins, and Jeff Bryson. I apologize if I have omitted someone.

Jeff Bryson has earned Advanced Photographer status in the Color Print competition area. Rick Jackson has earned Advanced Photographer status in the B&W Print competition area.

The photo outing to Hocking Hills is set for April 18-20. Those who attend should plan to meet at 7:00 PM on Friday, April 18 in the hotel lobby. If you are planning to go but were not at tonight's meeting, be sure to get your cell phone number to Mike. He will make available a list of numbers so those on the outing can communicate in the field.

Mike Adkins wants us to undertake the task of getting other former members active in the club again. Two such members, Mike Gerber and Dewey Sanderson, were vital, active members for many years. There are certainly others.

Several months back I upgraded to Adobe Photoshop Elements 6 for digital photo editing. I just acquired a reference book on Elements 6. It is titled "The Photoshop Elements 6 Book for Digital Photographers" by Scott Kelby and Matt Kloskowski, two Photoshop gurus. Scott is also editor and publisher of Photoshop User magazine. The book is written from the view point of a photographer. Instead of pages on how editing tools are used, the book is organized according to the various tasks a photographer may want to do with an image. It also contains a great chapter on using the Organizer and a description of a digital workflow. Highly recommended, far superior to other books I have seen.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, April 24. Mike Adkins will give a program on "Smoke Art Photography." Mike had some examples of this photography entered into tonight's competition. The photos were beautiful. If you are interested in learning this technique, which he assures us is fairly simple, mark the date on your calendar.

Fred Huff Secretary, OVCC