Nashville Photography Club

January 2010

Photo of the Month, November 2009 sponsored by





Theme-"Fall Leaves"

Photo by Brett Florence

Next Month: The theme for the January photo of the month contest is "Open". Choose your favorite image taken within the last 3 months. If you have any questions just send me an e-mail at rodshean@bellsouth.net.

Here is exciting news about our monthly photo contest. In addition to our photo of the year contest, we are also going to have prizes for our monthly contest winner. Dury's has agreed to award a gift certificate of \$100 for the first place winner each month and they are going to publish the winning picture on the Dury's website each month. We are also going to open the contest to picture sizes up to 8.5×12 .

Rules for Photo of the month contest:

- 1. Photograph must pertain the the subject for that months (example "April was Bugs").
- 2. The image size to be submitted must be between 4x6 to 8 1/2 x11 inches.
- 3. Bring your image to the meeting for that month and leave on display table.
- 4. Photo needs to be taken within the last three months.
- 5. Be sure to put your name on the back of your image.

Future themes: Feb- Night March- Spring (signs of) April- Clouds (Expressive) May- May Flowers June- Shadows July- People

Aug- Hot

Next Meeting: January 19 Leisa Hammett and Rebekah Pope



Leisa A. Hammett is a 30-year veteran of the corporate and nonprofit communications industry, including public and employee relations. In addition to writing for regional and national magazines and newspapers, she recently served as an arts editor and reporter for a local magazine and newspaper. In 1997, her only child was diagnosed with autism, offering the greatest challenge of her life. Her response to autism was ardent volunteerism, networking and advocacy on behalf of her child and other families living with autism and other disabilities. Leisa is a former Autism Society of Middle Tennessee Parent Representative and a long-time active volunteer, coordinating workshops, seminars, support groups, autism art exhibits and more. She speaks frequently on disability issues to university students, educators and parents.

As an arts and systemic disability advocate, Leisa is known for proclaiming in words and actions, that "Art is an opening through which 'typical' society can view, understand and embrace the beauty and potential of people with disAbilities." Her teen daughter is visual artist, Grace Walker Goad, www.gracegoad.com. Leisa is also working on an autism memoir reflecting not only the heartache, but also the goodness, hope and blessings on the autism journey. More of her work can be found at her blog, www.leisahammett.com, "The Journey with Grace: Autism, Art and All the Rest of Life."

Rebekah Pope is a native Nashvillian who discovered her passion for photography when her oldest child was born more than a decade ago. Her specialty is baby, children and family portraiture. Her work has been shown nationally, including the Soho Photo Gallery in New York, the St. Louis Artists' Guild and the Parthenon in Nashville. Currently, her work can be seen at the L. Greer Gallery in Nashville's Edgehill Village.

Rebekah completed the Associate's Degree program with a Photography Concentration at Nashville State Community College. Additionally, she is accredited by Special Kids Photography of America. She can be found online at: www.rebekahpope.com.



Rebekah is married to Greg Pope. They have two tweens, Aleah and Nathanael, and a hyper dog named Scout.

Introduction to Photography Class

A class covering the basics of photography is given before each of our meetings beginning at 6:30. If you are new to photography or just need to review some of the basics this would be a good place to start.

Meeting Time & Place: We meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM at First Baptist Nashville, 7th and Broadway in downtown Nashville. People start to arrive between 6:15 PM and 6:30 PM come and chat with other photographers.

Go behind the buildings and park in the small fenced lot just behind the East Building at 6th & Broadway. Parking is Free for all attending the club meetings. If the security gate is down, the meeting night entrance code is **31173**#

Go up the steps to the small Lot E and in one of the back doors to that building.

See map on website.

Future Programs: If you have any suggestions, e-mail them to **Rod Shean**, or let him know at the next meeting.

Membership Dues

The membership dues are \$25.00 per year (The dues were raised by \$5 at the April meeting). Also add a \$5 membership fee for additional family members. Checks are made payable to the Nashville Photography Club. We begin collecting dues for the new year at the July meeting.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can mail the check (made payable to Nashville Photography Club) to the following address: Tina Brookes, PO Box 110583, Nashville, TN 37222-0583

At this past May meeting it was voted that the month you join becomes your annual renewal month. All current members would continue to pay their annual dues in July.

Current Events: Meetings

Tuesday, January 19

Regular Monthly Meeting 7:00PM-9:00PM
Basics of Photography Group meets at 6:30 before the meeting

Sunday, January 24

The hiking group will be heading down to the amazing Chattanooga Aquarium again! We will go early to avoid the church and kiddo crowd. This was a hit last year and I am looking forward to another fun Adventure with our underwater critter friends who reside at the Aquarium in Chattanooga, TN. More information will be given at the monthly meeting.

Tuesday, January 26

Digital Focus Group meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM at Fifty Forward Center, 108 Donelson Pike in the Computer Class Room. This is an informal open meeting; the purpose is to learn more about the digital camera and the digital darkroom. Danny Myers is the chairperson.

Exhibits:



HOLGA NASHVILLE

Toy Camera Images of Nashville

By Rusty Bright

January 2010 @ The Green Hills Library 3701 Benham Avenue - Nashville, TN 37215 M-Th 10-8; Sat 10-5; Sun 2-5; Closed Friday

www.rustybrightphoto.com

Green Hills Public Library:

Holga Nashville Rusty Bright Nashville Photography Club member

Rusty's toy camera images were a project of one of his final classes before graduating from Nashville Tech with an associate degre in photography. They are now on display at the library thru January.

Frist Center for the Visual Arts:

Common Threads Oliver Herring October 2, 2009 - January 31, 2010

New York-based artist Oliver Herring collaborates with friends and strangers in the creation of his sculptures, performances, and video art. This exhibition includes figurative works in which the artist first makes photographic close-ups of his subjects' entire bodies. He then sculpts the form of their bodies out of polystyrene. The photographs are cut into jigsaw puzzle-like shapes and adhered to the sculpted



figures, lending the uncanny quality of a photograph seen in the round. Herring manipulates the color and value contrasts in his photographic fragments, giving the sculptures a camouflage-like surface, emphasizing the inherent artificiality and social masking that are a subliminal consequence of photography.

Cumberland Gallery

Young Turks Max Shuster

Max will conclude his BA in Photography at Watkins College of Art and Design, Nashville, this spring. His photographs capture constructed scenes often involving unusual combinations of people or objects. Operating under some of the tenets of Surrealism, his work calls upon the willful suspension of disbelief to present a fantastical reconstruction as an actual and specific moment frozen in time. For Shuster, "this moment is a conglomeration of a progressive evolution, involving a mixture of subconscious memories juxtaposed with absurd humor and the grotesque." Informed by these imaginative recollections, the resulting images read as playful and satirical documents of peculiar events.









Regular gallery hours are 10am – 5pm, Tuesday – Saturday. Thru January 30 4107 Hillsboro Circle • Nashville, TN 37215

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Thru January

Cheekwood

Nashville Memoir: Photographs by Greg Miller

October 3 2009 - February 21

After living in New York for twenty years, photographer Greg Miller returned to his hometown of Nashville to re-examine the city where he grew up. With the help of a John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship, in 2008 Miller began a series of photographs using familiar spaces from his childhood as starting points. Attempting to reconstruct memories by photographing in and around areas of Nashville where he grew up, he often photographs complete strangers cast in scenes drawn from the lasting emotional remnants of his past.



JANUARY - 50-cent admission for everyone the entire month!

Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Sunday 11:00 am - 4:30 pm

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