Nashville Photography Club

May 2009

Photos of the Month, April 2009

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Theme - "Bugs"



Wasp by Paul Breeding

Next Month: The theme for the May photo of the month contest is "Kids". The idea is to make an image that best interprets the term "Kids" either as the main subject or supporting the main subject. 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 is 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:

June - Elderly July - Dirt August - Red September - City

Next Meeting: May 19

Michael Moryc



"Return to the Land of Dragons" - A Vietnam veteran with post-traumatic stress disorder returns to Vietnam after 37 years to confront his dragons from the past head-on. Images from the trip will be used throughout the talk to take you on a National Geographic-like tour into a complex issue and country. Michael will share with you his lessons learned and provide a memorable and fascinating look at Vietnam today. This is a story of healing, closure and transformation for a country and two friends who find themselves on a journey of profound and humbling implications. It is also an uplifting story of hope for anyone who may be suffering with PTSD.

Michael Moryc has been capturing images in nature for the last 30 years. This national award-winning Nashville-based photographer is a charter member of the North American Nature Photographer's Association (NANPA), a field contributor to Nature Photographer magazine and teaches workshops and classes on Nature photography.

Michael also is an acclaimed inspirational and motivational speaker who has a number of slide show/ speaking presentations available for corporations, educational venues, events, churches and gallery talks. He has been published nationally in Petersen's Photographic and Photographer's Forum. Recently, two of his photographs won national awards in the juried North American Nature Photographer's Contest. His extraordinary images appear in various gallery exhibits, personal collections, calendars, postcards, catalogs, music CD covers, newspapers and regional publications.

Website: www.creationphotos.com

Basic Digital Photography Class

A class covering the basics of digital 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. Go behind the buildings and park in the small fenced lot just behind the East Building at 6th & Broadway. **See on a city map** or **parking lot map and directions**

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

Message from the President:

The is the month that we elect new officers. Nominations were held in April with the elections to be held in May. Our nominating committee, consisting of Tom Oakley and Danny Myers, set forth the following slate of potential officers:

Vice President: Mike Miles Treasurer: Tina Brookes Secretary: Laurie Gibbs

Board Members: We will Elect two:

Charles Rader Steve Choatie Brent Wright Chris Windham

Rod Shean will complete his two year commitment moving from Vice-President/Program Chairman to President.

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The board also discussed the current process of charging full dues if a member joins between July 1st and January 1st and one half that amount if a member joins between Jan 1st and June 30th. With 150+ members, that process is an accounting nightmare. The board voted to change this to a process where the month you join becomes your annual renewal month. All current members would continue to pay their annual dues in July. Both of these changes in dues will be voted on by the membership in attendance at our May meeting.

<u>Current Events:</u> Meetings and Deadlines

Tuesday, May 19

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

Tuesday, May 26

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

Saturday and Sunday, May 30 and 31

Digital Days, Photo Workshop for beginner photographers, at the Doubletree Downtown.

Upcoming Event:

Welcome to Digital Days!

Popular Photo and **American Photo** are bringing a beginning photography course to town. They have offered the club a 25% discount

Saturday - \$69 / Sunday - \$99 / Both days - \$139

Saturday 1:00-5:00pm

Digital Fundamentals: Learn about all the necessary digital photography techniques and terms. Composition: explore portrait, landscape, action, low-light and macro shooting styles, etc...

After the shot: Learn about basic digtal workflow tasks and postprocessing tech niques. Printing & sharing online. Making calendars, postcards, and so much more...

Plus a Live Q&A!



Sunday 9:00-5:00pm

Expanding the Fundamentals: Examine light & composition, subject, color & movement plus advanced camera functions – from exposure modes and depth of field to analyzing the histogram, using flash, etc.. Live Shooting: Take a tour through various shooting stations for different styles of photography, including a live model shoot. Listen to image critiques! Digital Workflow/Editing: Digital organizational techniques and making your pictures pop with various software with advanced editing functions. Plus a Live Q&A!

Visit www.DigitalDaysPhoto.com and enter code NASHPHOTOCLUB25 at checkout for 25% discount.

Report from past Outings:

The Waterfalls Hike, May 1

This was a club hike to Burgess Falls, Rock Island and Fall Creek Falls...in the rain!

Comments:

James Mealor: Great day!!! Great fun!!! Great photos!!!

Guest: Great photos!!! This was a fun day.



Stones River National Battlefield (Tn) - May 3, 2009

These images were taken at the Stones River Btlefield Re-enactment by Randy Harris.

