Los Gatos - Saratoga Camera Club Newsletter

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2009 Calendar

December
7 Competition: Travel and Color -- Slides, Digital Images. Monochrome and Color -- Prints.

17 Field Trip Thursday: McWay Falls and Pfeiffer Beach hosted by Bernie Weinzimmer

21 Program: Annual Awards Potluck Dinner

January 2010
4 Competition: PJ and Color -- Slides, Digital Images, and Prints.

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Field Trip - December 17, 2009
Thursday Field Trip: McWay Falls and Pfeiffer Beach hosted by Bernie Weinzimmer
http://home.comcast.net/~lgscc/McWayFallsPfeifferBeach.htm

Program - December 21,2009 @ 6:30 PM - ***ANNUAL AWARDS POT LUCK DINNER***

Winners of ***"Best of 2009"*** and the ***Carolyn Ramsay Award*** will be announced. This is also wonderful opportunity to see all of the winning images from 2009! So, bring a guest and join us for a fun evening of food, photos, and friends!

Please remember to bring a place setting for you and your guest, as well as utensils for serving your dish. We'll provide cups and napkins. All dishes should serve 8 - 10 people

If you haven't signed up yet, please contact Bambi Cask at bcask@comcast.net or 650-938-2605 (leave a message)

- Those helping with set-up, please arrive by 5:45pm
- Those bringing appetizers, please arrive by 6:15pm

LGSCC Members Show:
7TH ANNUAL LOS GATOS-SARATOGA CAMERA CLUB EXHIBIT
in the LOS GATOS TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Theme*: Through the Lens: Photographic Moments*
NOVEMBER 12, 2009 to JANUARY 7, 2010

The Chambers is open to the public daily, Monday through Friday, from 9am to 4:30pm, unless there is a meeting in the Chambers.

Take down is January 7th. Please pick up your photographs between **10:00–10:30** am. If you cannot come by at this time, please let Mary Ellen or Betty know that someone else will by picking up your photographs. NO PHOTOGRAPHS CAN BE LEFT IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AFTER 10:30 AM.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Mary Ellen Kaschub, (408) 399-0153, or email mekaschub@comcast.net or Betty Toepfer (408) 354-0630 or email toepferb@aol.com

Let's have another great show!

Upcoming Exhibits & Receptions:

HOLIDAY EVENING FOR THE ARTS

Champagne Reception/Meet the Photographer: Thurs., Dec. 3, 2009, 6 – 9 PM
Group Show with 50 Local Artists
Los Gatos Museums Gallery
24 N. Santa Cruz, Ave
Los Gatos, CA 95030

The Aperture Academy Is Open!
YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR GRAND OPENING PARTY...

DECEMBER 5th, 2009 (6pm-10pm)

Bring a guest and join us for an evening of fine art photography, live music, great food and drink, prizes and more! Meet **Stephen Oachs**, the Aperture Academy team and our special guest speaker from the Snow Leopard Trust.

Location:
Aperture Academy
1875 S. Bascom, Suite 600
Campbell, CA 95008
The Aperture Academy is located in the Pruneyard Shopping Center in Campbell, California.
We are located between Rock Bottom Brewery and El Burro Restaurant.
Telephone: (408) 369-8585

Small Study Groups

Dear Club Members,
Our Small Study Groups enable the sharing of members' expertise and depend on volunteer leaders.
Volunteers can help in any field and can structure their courses in any manner, including:

topic
number of students
number of sessions
length of each session
dates
location

We are in need of volunteers to lead small groups in any of those topics and if you are interested in sharing your experience please contact me, directly, so I can spread the word. We are always trying to recruit volunteers to lead small group seminars. Education is a major mission of the club, but depends on volunteer leaders to help promote this mission.

It seems that email has not been very successful in moving this mission forward. It is possible that some members do not read the emails, so if any of you know any members who might be willing to help, please chat with them personally and try to get them to share their experience.

Remember, there is tremendous flexibility - seminars can be on any subject any number of sessions (from just 1- to any more),with any number of students, on any schedule.
Thanks, Michael Schneider

Members interested in taking or leading any courses should contact Michael Schneider at zapperms@comcast.net.

Have you calibrated your monitor lately?
No? Then it's time for you to have your monitor calibrated. It's painless, takes less than 30 minutes, and it's very effective at enabling you to edit your images with "standard" colors brightness and contrast, so that calibrated projectors and printers can render the same image you see on your screen. Using the club's Spider-3 equipment and software, Calibration Chair, Jeff Katz, will come to your computer and perform the service when it's convenient for you. Just phone him at 408-255-7423, or e-mail to jeffrudi@earthlink.net to arrange an appointment. And be prepared to donate $10 to the club to help cover the cost of the equipment. Remember: monitors drift as they age. Pro image processors recalibrate every couple of weeks to assure consistent prints. We hobbyists can get by with less frequent calibration. CRTs should be recalibrated every 3-6 months and LCDs should be recalibrated every 6-12 months.

Editor's note:
For a great series on Color Management, visit:
http://photo.net/learn/digital-photography-workflow/color-management/

Thanks for the Refreshments!
Thanks to the following people for providing refreshments for our November meetings: Roberta SCHWARTZ, Virginia SCOTT, Bart SMITH, Uwe SCHMALENBACH, Mike STORY

Of Interest...

The San Francisco Museum of Modern Art

151 Third Street (between Mission + Howard)
San Francisco CA 94103
Tel: 415.357.4000
http://www.sfmoma.org/

THE PROVOKE ERA: Postwar Japanese Photography
September 12 - December 20, 2009

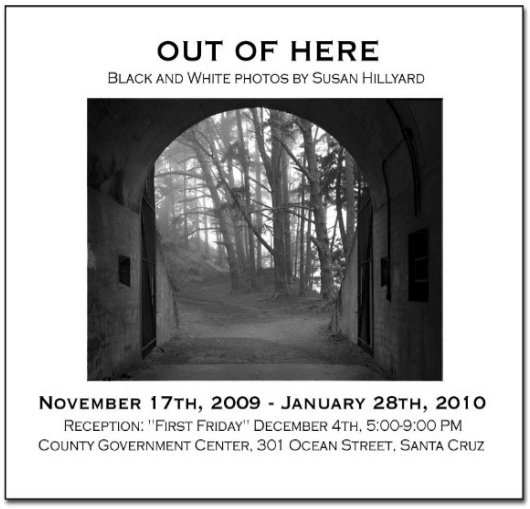
PHOTOGRAPHY NOW: China, Japan, Korea
September 12 - December 20, 2009

PICTURING MODERNITY The Photography Collection - Ongoing
These photographs from the mid-1800s to the present capture key moments in the development of the medium. The current rotation features a group of pictures by Helen Levitt (1913-2009), in memory of the artist.

The following is from the **Friends of Saratoga Libraries**:
Wed. January 13, 7 pm
Photography: Art, Technology or Both - Are photographs just mirrors of reality or are they art?
Award-winning photographer, Robyn Aber will explain how to "look at a photograph" to appreciate its artfulness.

Member Show:

Susan Hillyard...



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http://lgscc.home.att.net/

Holiday Gift Ideas (from Julie Kitzenberg): Images of Landscapes and Abstracts in Nature

The holidays are upon us.

For holiday gift ideas, please consider sharing your favorite images with family and friends.

2010 Calendar – Images can be previewed here:
http://photo.net/photodb/folder?folder_id=938248

Art Cards & Images – Selection available can be viewed here:
http://photo.net/photodb/folder?folder_id=938233

To order by mail, contact juliekphoto-order@aceweb.com. You will receive an immediate reply with pricing information and ordering details

To save shipping costs, please stop by the Aegis Gallery in Saratoga to pick up your 2010 calendar and Art Cards: http://www.aegisgallery.com/artists/kitzenberger/index.html

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For Sale:
Canon 50D, EF-S 17 – 85mm IS lens, Spare Battery, 16 GB UDMA Card, Original Packaging, Canon software never opened. Original warranty card. Barely used, less than one year old - Love camera, upgrading to pro model. 20% off of B&H's lowest price for everything (as of November 14, 2009) Excluding credit card offers etc.

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