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# Housatonic Camera Club Newsletter

## December 2017

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## President's Message

by Dawn Dingee

Jeff Breitman

This year's Holiday Dinner is Tuesday, **December 12<sup>th</sup>**. Please RSVP to Judy Becker at [judybecker40@att.net](mailto:judybecker40@att.net) ASAP so we can finalize plans with the caterers. Currently we are far short of the 20 minimum needed to reserve the caterers. If we do not reach that number in the next few days, we will need to make alternative dinner arrangements so if you are planning on coming, please let Judy know.

The arrangements for the PSA judging are coming along. Dawn and Denise will work together with our members to make sure this is a success. We have secured one outside judge already and have another potential outside judge. We have volunteers from within the club. If you have any ideas, let Jeff or I know so we can follow up. The judging will likely take place on **Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**. Reserve the date and stay tuned for more details as we get closer.

We have our Noble Show fast approaching. Please send your information to Bill DeVoti if you are planning to participate. We need to finalize the bios so if you don't have one or want to update yours, please do so quickly. We will need to finalize the bios within the next couple of days so that we have time to print them. Bill will also require a list of titles, sizes and prices so send those when you can. Drop off date to Noble is January 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Remember – all new work is expected.

Please consider contributing to future newsletter editions. Thank you to those who contributed to this issue...it is much appreciated.

Hope to see you at the dinner on the 12<sup>th</sup>!

Welcome to the December issue of the Housatonic Camera Club Newsletter. The following is included in this month's issue:

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# December Meeting



Our annual holiday dinner will be held on Tuesday, December 12 at Noble Horizons (The Community room, Cobble Bldg.). The cost will be \$25 per person  
5 pm Happy Hour \* 6 pm Dinner \* 7 pm Program

Judith Becker will be the contact person at [judybecker40@att.net](mailto:judybecker40@att.net).  
Please CC Dawn:d1295@aol.com, Please respond by December 4

## UPCOMING EVENTS

~ DECEMBER 2017 ~

### Holiday dinner in the Cobble

This year's holiday dinner is at Noble in the Cobble building on **Tuesday, December 12th** – NOTE the change in day from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month - this was done so that the dinner wasn't so close to the holidays when everyone is busy. Social hour will be from 5:00 - 6:00pm; dinner will be from 6:00 - 7:00 pm and the regularly scheduled meeting. **Reservations must be in by December 2nd so please let Judy Becker ([judybecker40@att.net](mailto:judybecker40@att.net)) know if you plan on attending.** This year's cost is \$25 per person.

~ JANUARY 2018 ~

### Annual Salon Show – Noble Horizons

Start preparing your prints. We will once again have a salon show at Noble Horizons. Opening reception will be **Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**. Pictures must be dropped off at the front desk January 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>. The show is open to any and all **new work**... nothing that has been there before can go there again. As usual, all prints should follow the guidelines previously sent to you. Let's fill those walls! We can likely accommodate 3-4 pictures per participant. More details to follow.

~ MARCH 2018 ~

### Salon Show – North Elm

We are looking to schedule a salon show at North Elm next **March**. Details will follow as we get closer.

## Story Behind the Picture by Birgitt Pajarola

In 2015 Nepal went through a devastating earthquake that destroyed some of the primitive water systems in Kathmandu and surrounding villages.

PATAN, one of the ancient city-states was left in rubble and most of the old buildings have no running water. Hence some of the locals are washing now in the ancient fountains that are supplied from huge plastic tanks connected with a hose to the spouts.



Cooling off



Taking a shower

## Story Behind the Picture (continued) by Birgitt Pajarola



Washing family laundry



An ancient fountain before earthquake



Collecting precious water



The Spout

“Photography is about finding out what can happen in the frame. When you put four edges around some facts, you change those facts.”  
—Garry Winogrand



# PSA Travel Division Interclub Competition Submissions

The following photos received the highest club votes and were submitted to PSA to represent the Housatonic Camera Club in the Fall PSA Travel Division Interclub competition. Thank you to all who submitted photos and/or participated in the voting.



Great Fountain Geysers, Yellowstone

©Dawn Dingee



Taking a bath

©Birgitt Pajarola



At the Barber ©Bert Schmitz

## PSA Travel Division Interclub Competition Submissions



Chidambaram India ©John Landon



Road Less Traveled ©Brian Wilcox



Hero's Square ©Lazlo Gyorsok

# Announcements

## HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB REPRESENTATIVES for 2017/2018 season

Co-Presidents	Dawn Dingee Jeff Breitman <a href="mailto:housatonic_camera_club@yahoo.com">housatonic_camera_club@yahoo.com</a>
Vice President	Open
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	Bill DeVoti <a href="mailto:abundancehill@verizon.net">abundancehill@verizon.net</a>
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## To all Club Members

For future editions of the newsletter, consider submitting:

- **Your favorite place to photograph**
- **The story behind the picture**
- **Share photography and photo printing tips**
- **Your photo blog or website URL**

Club flickr site:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/124371381@N07/>

Photos submitted to the club flickr site appear on the Housatonic Camera Club website on the HOME page.



## Membership Dues

If you haven't done so already, don't forget to pay your membership dues for 2017 / 2018. Fee is \$25 for individuals and \$10 additional for each family member.



Please let Jeff or I know if you are interested in the club's old laptop. We would like to donate it to a club member. If more than one member is interested, then we can do a raffle with all interested members. All HCC business has been removed from the laptop. It still has the operating system. If interested, we can provide specs.



## November Meeting

At November's meeting, we began with a discussion of club business followed by a print competition and then a presentation on "All Things Print" given by fellow club member Jeff Breitman. Jeff has a lot of experience in printing his own prints using an Epson printer. He reviewed the different types of printers available in the market, paper types and costs. Thanks Jeff for an informative and interesting presentation.

We had very good participation in the print competition with 21 photos submitted. We changed up the scoring this year to make it simpler. Members were encouraged to provide comments along with selecting their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice. Points were given for each place:

- 8 pts. for 1<sup>st</sup>
- 5 pts. for 2<sup>nd</sup>
- 3 pts. for 3<sup>rd</sup>

After the results were tallied, the following prints were scored the highest (I forgot to write down the titles ☹ so I only have the winners by name – I will do better next time!):

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Lazlo Gyorsok

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Jeff Breitman

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Ian McCunn

HM – John Landon & Bert Schmitz





## ASSIGNED TOPIC – Unusual Perspective

Each month we feature a topic of the months in the newsletter. Members are encouraged to submit 2-3 photos to select from. This month's topic was "**Unusual Perspective**".



Accidental Selfie ©Birgitt Pajarola



Mexican Sunflowers and Monarch ©Judith Gott

### Next month's topic of the month:

Each month we have a newsletter "Topic of the Month". It's a nice way to see each other's work and to show our creative side. Next Month's topic will be: "**The Eyes Have It**". Be creative!

Members can submit photos to me at [d1295@aol.com](mailto:d1295@aol.com). Submissions should be in by January 4, 2018. About 10-12 pictures will be selected for the newsletter.



## ASSIGNED TOPIC – Unusual Perspective



Tunnel View ©Dawn Dingee



Watchful Eyes ©Judith Gott



Columns ©Dawn Dingee



West Point Cullum Hall Stairs to Ballroom ©Judith Gott



From Bottom of Mushroom ©G. A. Mudge



# PSA PID Inter-Club November Results

## AWARD HONORS



Delicate Flower ©Bert Schmitz

## HONORABLE MENTION



Guitar Hero ©Dawn Dingee

## Club scores:

Housatonic Camera Club	death Valley Dust Storm	John	Landon	8	
Housatonic Camera Club	Delicate flower	Bert	Schmitz	13	AW
Housatonic Camera Club	Guitar Hero	Dawn	Dingee	12	HM
Housatonic Camera Club	Lotus	Rick	Pauline	9	
Housatonic Camera Club	Gypsy Sally eats tonight	Alex	Kearney	11	
Housatonic Camera Club	Sunrise at the Lake	Lazlo	Gyorsok	9	

## Throwback – Do you remember this?

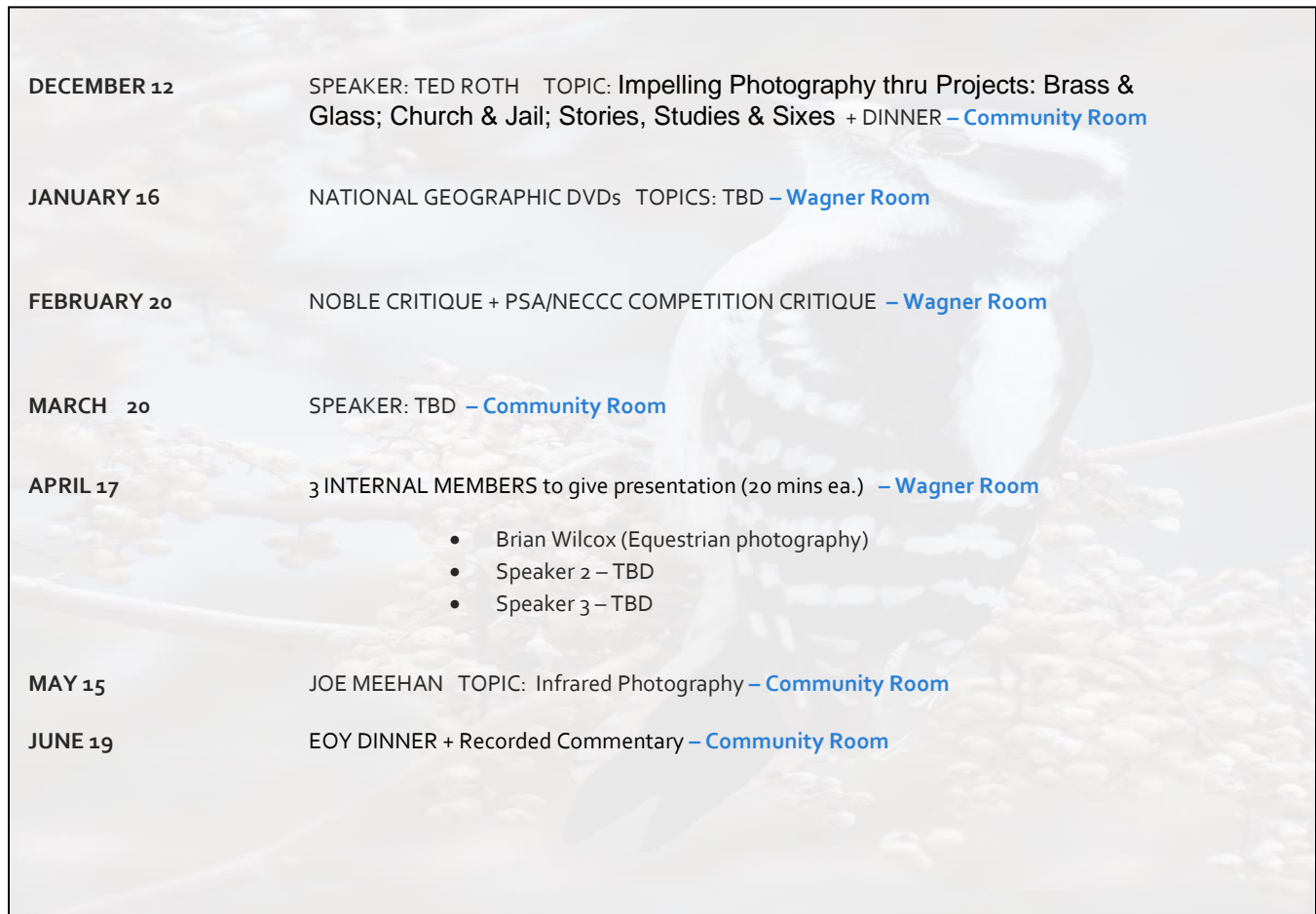
Photos can be a time machine!



Photos courtesy of Ray Shine

# HCC Program Schedule

## 2017 – 2018



<b>DECEMBER 12</b>	SPEAKER: TED ROTH TOPIC: Impelling Photography thru Projects: Brass & Glass; Church & Jail; Stories, Studies & Sixes + DINNER – <a href="#">Community Room</a>
<b>JANUARY 16</b>	NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC DVDs TOPICS: TBD – <a href="#">Wagner Room</a>
<b>FEBRUARY 20</b>	NOBLE CRITIQUE + PSA/NECCC COMPETITION CRITIQUE – <a href="#">Wagner Room</a>
<b>MARCH 20</b>	SPEAKER: TBD – <a href="#">Community Room</a>
<b>APRIL 17</b>	3 INTERNAL MEMBERS to give presentation (20 mins ea.) – <a href="#">Wagner Room</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Brian Wilcox (Equestrian photography)</li><li>• Speaker 2 – TBD</li><li>• Speaker 3 – TBD</li></ul>
<b>MAY 15</b>	JOE MEEHAN TOPIC: Infrared Photography – <a href="#">Community Room</a>
<b>JUNE 19</b>	EOY DINNER + Recorded Commentary – <a href="#">Community Room</a>

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# Housatonic Camera Club

## Membership Enrollment 2017—2018

I wish to enroll as a member for one year. Season runs from September through June. Attached is the membership fee of \$25.00 (and \$10.00 for each additional family member).

Please hand or mail this form to the Treasurer, Judy Becker  
13 Housatonic Ave. Canaan, CT 06018-2421; Email: judybecker40@att.net; Phone: 860-824-0561

PLEASE PRINT ONLY ... AND CLEARLY!

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS(ES): \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

WE WILL SEND YOU OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS, SCHEDULES, AND CLUB INFORMATION