



Simsbury Camera Club

Annual Banquet

June 8, 2018

Welcome

- ▶ Tonight, we are enjoying the artistry and community of the Simsbury Camera Club.
 - ▶ We'll see the best of the year's images
 - ▶ We'll enjoy some humorous images
 - ▶ We'll recognize club members for their photo artistry and club service
 - ▶ ...punctuated by raffles throughout the evening
- ▶ Before that, let's recap the 2017 -2018 year and our members

SCC Membership

- ▶ Completing our 63rd year as a club, started in 1955.
- ▶ 4 new members this year
- ▶ 51 members from 15 CT communities
 - ▶ Simsbury, West Simsbury, Weatogue, Canton, Barkhamsted, West Hartford, Avon, East Granby, Bloomfield, Farmington, New London, Windsor Locks, Windsor, Colbrook and South Windsor.
- ▶ Long term members recognition

Fun Facts about the SCC in 2017 - 2018

- ▶ 1 Club Member honored-MNEC Recognition by NECCC
- ▶ 2 Field Trips (Around Simsbury, Waterfalls)
- ▶ 3 Number of Letters in shortest image title (Tux)
- ▶ 4 Outside Photo Competitions Entered (CAP, PSA, NECCC, Glennie)
- ▶ 5 Number of SCC Officers

Fun Facts about the SCC in 2017 - 2018

- ▶ 6 Images in the Annual Bank Calendar
- ▶ 7.7 Average score per judge per image
- ▶ 8 Library Hallway monthly Featured Photographers
- ▶ 9 Library Speakers/Bring Your Camera Sessions
- ▶ 10 # of members who submitted the max 22 images

Fun Facts about the SCC in 2017 - 2018

- ▶ 14 Winners in External Club competitions
- ▶ 17 Club members exhibiting their work - December Showcase at Simsbury Library
- ▶ 27 Members who volunteered during the year
- ▶ 31 Members submitted photographs (62% of membership)
- ▶ 62 Letters in longest image title
(Black-backed Jackals Battle in Front of Attentive Seals- Skeleton Coast)
- ▶ 124 Facebook followers

Fun Facts about the SCC in 2017 - 2018

- ▶ 278 Images received ribbons during the year
- ▶ 694 Images submitted in Monthly competitions

Any other fun facts to add?



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Recognition of Volunteers

- ▶ Thank you to all volunteers who helped this year.
 - ▶ Monthly SCC Photo Competitions – Bill Payne
 - ▶ Judging, After the Break sessions, Handbook/Website Content – Frank Zarembo
 - ▶ Programs – Outside Speakers – Bill Latournes
 - ▶ Website – Vitali Zhulkovsky
 - ▶ Simsbury Bank Calendar – Ray Padron
 - ▶ Facebook, PR and Publicity – Lorraine Cosgrove
 - ▶ Annual Awards Dinner – Danielle D'Ermo
 - ▶ Outside Photo Competitions – Bill Latournes and John Straub
 - ▶ Library Displays/Refreshments/Meeting Reception Greeter – Nancy Schumann
 - ▶ Simsbury Airport Fly-In and Simsbury Celebrates – David Royce

Recognition of Volunteers

- ▶ Thank you to all volunteers who helped this year.
 - ▶ Judges –
 - ▶ John McGarry, John Straub, Donna Griffiths, Rene Dubois, Danielle D'Ermo, Bruce Metzger, Dick Clark, Chris Fisher, Bill Latournes, Lou Norton, Alene Galin, Jim Patrina, Dolph Fusco
 - ▶ Comment Takers –
 - ▶ Nancy Schumann, Danielle D'Ermo, Gary Gianni, Judy Rabinowitz, Mary Lou Lavoie
 - ▶ Meeting Setup -
 - ▶ Bill Payne, Frank Zarembo, Nancy Schumann, Judy Rabinowitz, Rob Sternschein
 - ▶ Library Setup -
 - ▶ Bill Latournes, Nancy Schumann, Rob Sternschein

Recognition of Volunteers

▶ Officers

- ▶ President - Donna Griffiths
- ▶ VP – John Straub
- ▶ Treasurer – Rob Sternschein
- ▶ Secretary – Alene Galin
- ▶ Past President – Bill Latournes

Thank you's for tonight's Banquet

- ▶ Danielle D'Ermo - for planning and organizing our Banquet tonight
- ▶ Rob Sternshein - for reviewing the contract and paying our bills
- ▶ John Straub - for getting the trophies and award plaques
- ▶ Bill Payne - for putting together the image slideshows/presentations



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PSA May Competition Results

- ▶ In Group E, we finished with 64 points, tying us for 7th out of 26 Clubs for May
- ▶ For the year, we finished 7th out of 38 clubs
- ▶ Two Honorable Mentions

PSA May Competition Results

Chelsie

Honorable Mention

Frank Zaremba



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PSA May Competition Results

Maine Tidal Pool

Honorable Mention
William Payne



The Funnies!!

- ▶ Humorous Images and Winners
 - ▶ 13 images submitted
 - ▶ 2 Winners with yellow ribbons

EOY Promotions

- ▶ To be promoted, your average score must be higher than the average of the next highest class.
- ▶ At least 14 images must be submitted during the SCC year to be considered for promotion to a higher class.

- ▶ 4 individuals from Class B to Class A
 - ▶ Aardarsh Gopalakrishna
 - ▶ Nancy Schumann
 - ▶ Lorraine Cosgrove
 - ▶ Sue Case



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Eligibility for EOY Awards

- ▶ To qualify for end of year awards, **High Totals Points** per class, **High Average** per class and **Second High Average** per class, a member must submit a minimum of two-thirds of the total images allowed for the year, which is 22 images.
- ▶ Therefore, at least 14 images must be submitted during the SCC year to qualify for an award at year-end.

EOY Awards

▶ **Second High Average**

- ▶ Class B Aardarsh Gopalakrishna (23.59)
- ▶ Class A Bill Latournes (23.409)
- ▶ Class Salon Danielle D'Ermo (25.44)

EOY Awards

▶ High Average

- ▶ Class B Sue Case (24.07)
- ▶ Class A Alene Galin (23.412)
- ▶ Class Salon Bill Payne (25.45)

EOY Awards

▶ High Total Points

- ▶ Class B Aardarsh Gopalakrishna (519)
- ▶ Class A Bill Latournes (515)
- ▶ Class Salon Bill Payne (560)



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EOY Image Pool and Judging

- ▶ 313 images in EOY Image Pool, includes:
 - ▶ All ribbon winning images (HM, 2nd and 1st ribbons)
 - ▶ All non ribbon winning images, receiving a score of 25 or above
 - ▶ Maker's Choice images – each club member may edit and resubmit one image submitted in a monthly competition.
 - ▶ 3 Maker's Choice images were selected for Honorable Mention

EOY Image Pool and Judging

- ▶ The end of year judge, decides on the EOY trophy winning images, without regard to the competition class of the maker...except for alternate images.
- ▶ Michael Goodman was this year's EOY Judge.

EOY Honorable Mention Images

- ▶ 313 images submitted in the EOY Image Pool
- ▶ 71 images earned Honorable Mention
- ▶ ~ 20% of images (EOY Image Pool)
- ▶ ~ 10% of total images submitted for the year
- ▶ Takes 6 minutes to run the slide show



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EOY Trophies

Creative Image of the Year Gutman Award

- ▶ This trophy, new in 2015, is presented to the photograph that best represents creativity in image-making.
- ▶ It is named in honor of Nathan Gutman, a long-time and very active member of SCC. He was one of the founders of the Simsbury Public Library photography lecture series, and coordinated that effort for several years.
- ▶ Nathan delighted in using everyday items in new and often amazing ways to create unusual and striking images, and was always working on new techniques to try out then pass along to other club members.
- ▶ A World War II Holocaust survivor, Nathan passed away in 2015.

Creative Image of the Year

Escape from the
Daily Grind

John Straub



Alternate Travel Image of the Year

- ▶ This second-place award is given to an outstanding travel image by a maker who is from a different competition class than that of the Travel Image of the Year.

Alternate Travel Image of the Year

Cuban Cowboy
Smoking a
Cigarette

Lorraine Cosgrove



Travel Image of the Year Doherty Award

- ▶ This award goes to the most outstanding image taken outside of Connecticut that successfully conveys the terrain, people, culture, and/or atmosphere of the locale photographed.
- ▶ The gorgeous lighthouse trophy is named in honor of Patrick Doherty, a member of the club from the 1970s on. He held many offices within the club, and influenced and improved club contests by helping to define the competition classes we use today and by giving seminars for club judges to improve image evaluation.
- ▶ He received many awards from international competitions, and loved to travel and photograph wherever he went. Pat passed away in 2005.

Travel Image of the Year

Inside St Vitus
Cathedral
Prague
Ben Skaught



Portrait Image of the Year Kennedy Award

- ▶ This trophy is awarded to the outstanding portrait image of those submitted for the year.
- ▶ It is named in honor of John R. Kennedy, a member of the club from the 1990s on.
- ▶ He was a World War II photographer and became a professional after the war. He specialized in both industrial/architectural and portrait photography. John passed away in 2008.

Portrait Image of the Year

Courtney

John Parisi



Alternate Nature Image of the Year Emmons Award

- ▶ This second-place award is presented to an outstanding nature image by a maker who is from a different competition class than the maker of the Nature Image of the Year.
- ▶ It is named in honor of Ed Emmons, a true master of nature photography. Along with SCC, he was a member of both PSA and Audubon, and delighted in photographing bugs of all kinds as well as birds and mammals.
- ▶ Ed passed away in 2014. This trophy was donated by Jeff Feldman, Ed's friend.

Alternate Nature Image of the Year

Black-backed
Jackals Battle in
Front of Attentive
Seals- Skeleton
Coast

Susan Case



Nature Image of the Year Strindberg Award

- ▶ The winner of this award is the most outstanding of the images in the Nature category. These images must adhere to the Photographic Society of America (PSA) definition for this type of photography, which are included in the SCC competition categories document.
- ▶ The beautiful eagle trophy is named for Robert Strindberg, a longtime SCC member who was a well-known New England nature photographer.
- ▶ He won many awards from PSA and the New England Camera Club Council (NECCC), and competed internationally. Robert passed away approximately 1982.

Nature Image of the Year

Coastal Brown
Bear Eating
Sedge Grass
Danielle D'Ermo





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Alternate Image of the Year Patrina/Metzger Award

- ▶ This second-place award is given to an outstanding photo by a maker who is from a different competition class than the maker of the Image of the Year.
- ▶ The trophy was renamed in 2006 to honor Jim Patrina and Bruce Metzger for their dedicated and innovative work in transitioning SCC from slides to digital images.
- ▶ Both continue working to support digital technology advances for the club.

Alternate Image of the Year



View of
Manhattan
from Brooklyn

William Payne

Image of the Year

- ▶ This award goes to the image that the judge finds to be the most outstanding.

Image of the Year



Open Wide

Susan Case

Thank you, Donna



- ▶ Congratulations to all!
- ▶ And thank you for another great Simsbury Camera Club year
- ▶ Have a great summer