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Cover Image : Doug Myers Spicebush Swallowtail 2<sup>nd</sup> place Advanced NC 95 points Nov. 2021

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#### **Meeting Schedule**

Nov. 2 Program Night

Nov. 9 Executive meeting

Nov. 16 Competition Night

All meetings are being held virtually via Zoom at this time

Photography is a funny business. We like to think we create what we want or visualize what we think we want. And we all know that there are many ways to get our images to where we want them to be. This brings me to the idea of the use of presets. I have read that there is some thought that using them may mean that you are not really a photographer. The opposing thought is...you are what your tools say you are. Is it just a time saver or are you a photographer no matter what or how you process your images? Do you think that each of your images is unique and therefore you don't need to use any presets? Do you think that you know better so you don't use any at all? Or....do you use presets because they save time and a give your image a "look" that you know you want? We all visualize in different ways and maybe that's what makes creating anything so unique. I like to think that I am still young and beautiful. Does that make me so? In my mind, I can be a bit delusional can't I?

It is all simply a different mindset for creating. We can take many paths to get our images to where we think that we want them to be. We are all creative spirits. How we create is where we feel most comfortable. No matter how it gets done, as fellow photographers, we love to see the work of others and share our creativity.

I was negligent last month in not thanking Maria Guadalupe Amaya for the portrait of Neil. It was a beautiful capture of him. I meant to thank her for the image. I could not resist the urge to put him on the cover. We miss Neil and wish he was still with us.

A quick note on the current cover image. Doug Myers had submitted this image to The Universe of Colour Photography and achieved a "Winner of the Month" for their September competition. Quite a feat for the international photo contest. Congrats, Doug!

Also, our fearless leader Claude has sent out a notice that we plan to hold a Salon this coming winter. The Caboto has been reserved for March 12 of 2022. So save the date and look forward to seeing each other face to face.

We do hope to get back into the church sooner rather than later. The exec is working out the details to make this happen. Stay tuned.

Keep well and keep shooting.

Darlene Beaudet Editor

To take photographs means – putting one's head, one's eye and one's heart on the same axis."

Henri Cartier-Bresson

#### **Assignments for 2021**

Nov. Dark and Moody / Back alleys (mono)
Dec. Contrasting Colours / Peeling paint (mono)

### **November Program**

### Tuesday Nov. 2 7:30 pm by Zoom

How to bird and take bird Photos at the same time in Cuba

During the start of a Pandemic

By Mike Florian



#### **November Program Mike Florian**

#### Tuesday Nov. 2 7:30 pm by Zoom

After 25 years at AAA I retired ten years ago. Prior to that I taught both elementary school and adults at a trade school in Detroit. My father was an amateur photographer and built a darkroom in our home when I was quite young. Many years later I built my first darkroom.

As I moved around I built three more darkrooms. I did both monochrome and color darkroom work. Years later when I purchased my first photographic quality inkjet printer the darkroom started to collect dust. Sometime after that I joined the Grosse Pointe Camera Club.

My wife and I do a lot of birding and birds have become one of my favorite subjects. We have over 1,000 birds on our life list. During the pandemic I purchased a drone and now enjoy capturing images from the air. A great new way to see the world with a camera.

Looking forward to sharing my Cuba trip with WCC.





### Altered Reality



Les Menard The Artist 1 1<sup>st</sup> place Advanced 93.3 points

## Altered Reality



Maria Guadalupe Amaya Nautilus Soul 2<sup>nd</sup> place Advanced 88.3 points

# Oct. Assignment Harvest / Graveyards or Tombstones (mono)



Arlene Kochaniec St. Anne Cemetery 1st place Advanced 81.3 points





Katherine Beaumont Sweet Little Flower 1st place Novice 75.7 points

### Oct. Assignment Harvest / Graveyards or Tombstones (mono)



Margit Lanoue
Three Crosses
2<sup>nd</sup> place Advanced 81 points

# Digital – Nature



Laura Strilchuck Cedar Waxwing 1st place Advanced 95.7 points



Kim Jussila Green Heron 1st place Novice 87.7 points



# Digital – Nature

**Brian Masters** 

Scaup with fish 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 93 points



**Arlene Kochaniec** Female Mallards 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 88 points

## Nature – Steve Biro



*Green Herons* 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 92 points

Osprey Gliding 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 90 points



Larry Zavitz Lighted Red Lilies-Edit 1<sup>st</sup> place Advanced 89.3 points







Simone Hobson
Waiting
1st place Novice 82.3 points



Laura Strilchuck St. Jean's Gate 2<sup>nd</sup> place Advanced 88.7 points

Kathy Christmas Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupre 2<sup>nd</sup> place Novice 80.7 points



Norm Rheaume The Hand of Man 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 88 points





Theresa Tessier
Emerald Lake Reflections
3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 87.7
points

# Open – Alan Defoe



Moraine Lake 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 86 points

Mt. Thompson 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 85.3 points



Charles Wilson Moraine Lake, Banff N.P. 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 85.3 points





Claude Gauthier River Cruise Rhine 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 84.3 points

Lillian Dajas Pastoral Bliss 3<sup>rd</sup> place Advanced 84.3 points



### **2021 October GDCCC Results**

### Norm, Alan and Les score a hat trick!

1st	Masters	Brian	Barrel Race
2nd	Rheaume	Norm	Weaver's Creek Falls
2nd	Defoe	Alan	Owachomo Bridge
HM	Strilchuck	Laura	A Sunset Swim
2nd	Biro	Stephen	Dancing Aurora
НМ	Menard-Watt	Linda	Santo Domingo Tower
3rd	Wilson	Charles	Aero L39 Albatross
3rd	Menard	Les	Sourdough Bread
3rd	Dajas	Lillian	Purple Fantasy
3rd	Brown	David	Calla Lily Abstract
НМ	Lanoue	Margit	Lighthouse
НМ	Defoe	Alan	G H Simmons, Wheatley
3rd	Menard	Les	Pensive Mood
3rd	Amaya	Maria Guadalupe	Blasting Through!
НМ	Eberwein	Dan	<b>Montevideo Military Base</b>
2nd	Rheaume	Norm	Tropical Leaf Plant
HM	Dajas	Lillian	Illuminated
2nd	Biro	Stephen	American Pelican chase
2nd	Myers	Doug	Cardinal Flight
1st	Defoe	Alan	Soaring Eagle
3rd	Rheaume	Norm	<b>Great Blue Heron Rivalry</b>
1st	Zawadski	Wally	Eurasian Eagle Owl #3
2nd	Menard	Les	Desert Outcrop
2nd	Masters	Brian	Dark Eyed Junco 5

Gary Baillargeon, Digital and GDCCC Director

### **Assignments for 2022**

January Opposites

February Vintage in mono

March One Colour

April Junkyards in mono

May Planes, trains & automobiles

June Arches in mono

September Indigenous

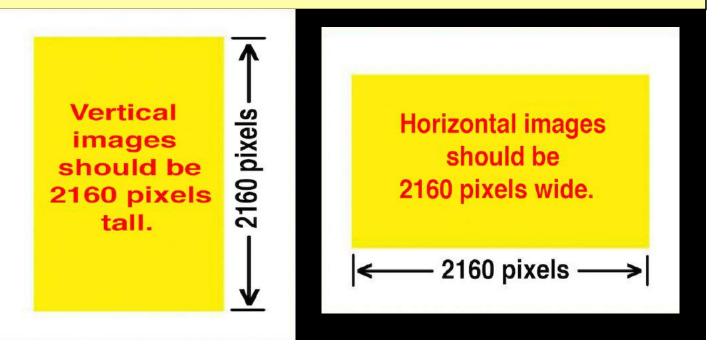
October Barns in mono

November Motherhood

December A Street in mono

#### **Preparing and Submitting Images for Competition**

- 1. Make sure that horizontal images are 2160 pixels wide and vertical images are 2160 pixels tall. The resolution doesn't matter; it's the pixel dimensions that are important.
- 2. Make sure that your titles have 25 characters or less (including spaces but not including the "jpg" suffix).
- 3. Photos in the assignment category must be taken after the newest list of assignments was given out. (New assignment topics are announced in May of each year.)
- 4. To submit images, go to our Visual Pursuits website, log in, and select "Submit Images to a Competition" from the "Competitions" menu. You can watch the video "How to Submit Images to a Competition" to assist you.
- 5. The maximum number of entries allowed for each monthly competition is 3 (any combination of prints and digital images).
- 6. For help with submitting images, contact any of the listed mentors on the next page.



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