



## Our Guest Speaker for June is Scott Newton

Scott is an avid observer and photographer who has chronicled the evolution of the music scene in Austin, Texas, since 1970. His photos adorn the rooms of The W Hotel Austin, the Keller-Pfluger Gallery at the Moody Theater, Fry's Electronics, Demand Media and many other venues and spaces around the city. In 2010, Scott's Austin City Limits photographs were exhibited for six months at The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio. He also is a published author, with several books to his name including the recently re-published Austin City Limits--A History in Photographs.



Jimmy Buffet



Tom Waits



Willie Nelson



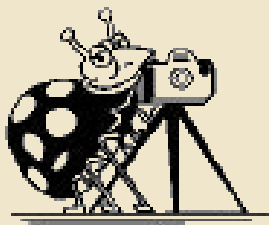
Kenneth Threadgill



Muddy Waters

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A great website to see more about Scott and his amazing photos plus insightful observations:  
<http://selvedgeyard.com/2014/02/28/the-epic-austin-music-history-chronicles-photography-words-of-scott-newton/>



**June Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 5, 2014**

**6:30 pm**

Northwest Recreation Center  
2913 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78757

*Visitors are  
always welcome!*

May's Assignment--Tiny Creatures 13 out of 23 images received a high score



On the Porch - 26  
Beverly Lyle



Backyard Snail - 27  
Frank Burdis



See Me Yet? - 27  
John Baker



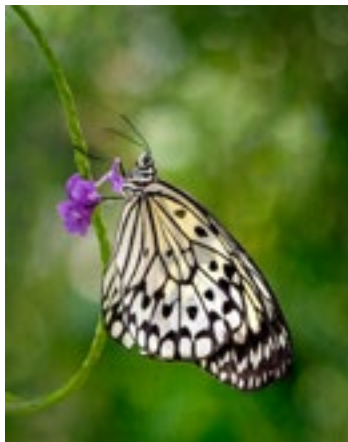
A Really Ugly Fly! - 27  
Kathy McCall



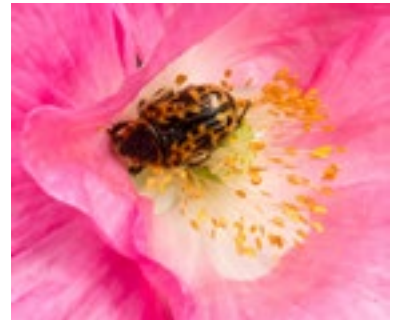
Black Swallowtail Caterpillar - 27  
Linda Avitt



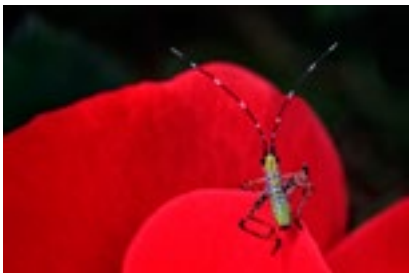
Prometheus Moth - 26  
Lee Brezik



Paper Kite Butterfly - 27  
Rose Epps



Poppy Eater - 26  
Lee Brezik



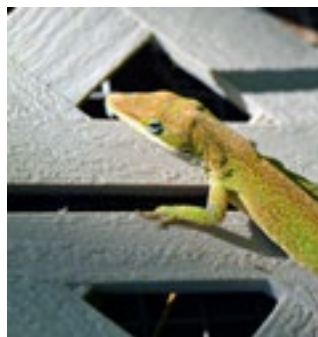
Tiny Bug - 27  
Leslie Ege



Parched - 27  
Bob Nix



My Garden Anole - 26  
Lois Schubert



Multi Colors - 27  
Beverly Lyle



Leery Little Lizard - 27  
Gregg Mack

General Category--out of 28 images 16 received top scores



Alone - 27  
Cheryl Callen



Mated Frigate Birds - 27  
Dolph McCranie



Wildflowers and Oak - 27  
Kathy McCall



Phone Call - 27  
Linda Avitt



Mojave Desert - 27  
Leslie Ege



Let it Snow - 26  
Matt Henerson



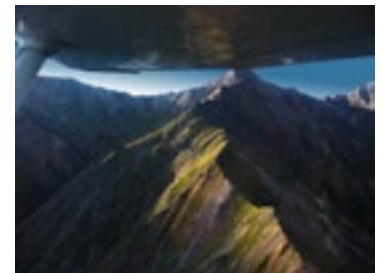
Window in a Window - 27  
Mary Paige Huey



Burton Cotton Gin - 27  
Pete Holland



Maternal Bond - 27  
Paul Munch



Polychrome Mountains - 27  
Sheldon Lloyd



Baltimore Oriole - 27  
Rose Epps



Poser - 27  
Cheryl Callen



On the Prowl - 27  
Paul Munch



The Office - 27  
Nancy Naylor



Land Iguana - 27  
Dolph McCranie



Tornado Clouds Over Austin - 27  
Pete Holland

## Bev and Dolph McCranie visit the Hummer House

This early May Bev and I went to the Hummer House located at 21301 Toenail Trail, Christoval, TX 76935. They are easy to find on the web. We went there after seeing Paul Munch's photo of a Painted Bunting that scored a 27 and on his recommendation.



The hosts are Dan and Cathy both are extremely friendly and very knowledgeable. Our accommodations were a very nice 4 room cottage, kitchen, bath, bedroom, and living room. All very nice and complete with a butane BBQ on the porch, it came in handy too for grilling hot dogs for lunch and the worlds best hamburgers for one dinner. We had breakfast, lunch and dinner on the porch watching, and photographing, what seemed like hundreds of Black-chinned hummingbirds. (We also enjoyed listening to the silence). They supply breakfast foods, other meals are up to you.

Across an open area from our cottage is located a viewing area with a water feature where we photographed many of the birds. The actual viewing area is inside the building with a one way glass front. We set up our cameras to the side to have an unobstructed view.



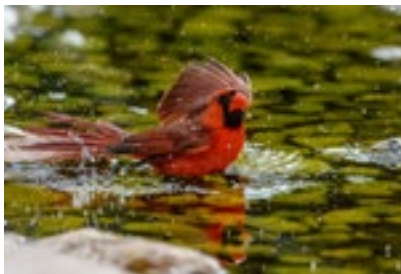
Bev used our new 80-400 mm Nikkor and flash on her tripod for both the hummers on our porch and for the viewing area. The birds are small and even though we were within 15 -20 feet they were still small in the frame. Because of this I got out the big gun and used the 500 mm with a 1.4 tele



extender. That really helped the birds fill more of the frame. We both used flash and a Better Beamer both on the porch and viewing area. I did not use flash photographing the babies in the nest.



Dan also finds and flags hummer nests. It's a good thing too, they are very hard to spot! Because of the flag I was able to find and photograph a nesting bird with her young and captured her feeding the babies. That long lens again came in handy as did the tripod. The birds are used to vehicles but will fly away if you get out and move around. For the frames of the mother feeding the babies I eased the tripod out of the golf cart and slowly mounted the lens without getting out of the cart or disturbing the mother bird. I don't think that a really long lens is an absolute necessity but it does make things easier.



The property is quite large, it includes an adjacent old pecan grove, a stretch of river, a very old grave yard and more. Fortunately they do supply guests with an electric powered go cart that makes getting around very easy.



It was with regret that we had to leave after our short stay. Next year we would like to go back for a four or five day visit so we can explore the entire property.

If you want to see more of the photographs they are on the web at [dolpmccranie.zenfolio.com](http://dolpmccranie.zenfolio.com)

Equipment used:

Bev - Nikon D7100, 18-200 mm zoom, 80-400 mm zoom, tripod with Kirk Head, SB 600 flash with Better Beamer flash extender.



Dolph - Nikon D7100, 18-200 mm Zoom, [80-400 mm zoom, 500 mm lens, 1.4 tele extender, SB 900 flash with Better Beamer, tripod with Kirk head and Wimberly Side Kick. (Golf Cart!)



# Austin Shutterbug Club 2014 Juried Exhibition of Photography

## June 4 through June 29, 2014

**North Hills Gallery, Northwest Hills Methodist Church**  
7050 Village Center Drive, Austin, Texas 78731.

**Artists' Reception & Awards: Sunday, June 8, 2014**  
**12:30 to 1:15 PM at the Gallery.**

**Important Dates:** June 03, 2014 - Installation of work--Deliver work to North Hills Gallery 10 - 11 am  
June 29, 2014 - Show closes  
June 30, 2014 - Removal of Photographs - Participants or their representative must pick up their work at the Gallery between 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

## Field Macro Workshop

Field Macro Photography Workshop  
With Brian Loflin  
Mo Ranch • Hunt, Texas



Photo courtesy Brian Loflin

The wonderful facilities at Mo Ranch in the heart of the Texas Hill Country will again be the home of an intensive macro photography workshop.

Join award-winning naturalist and photographer Brian Loflin for a three-day macro photography workshop geared to shooting in a field setting.

This workshop will be packed with hands-on instruction to help you grow your photographic abilities with newfound skills, techniques and proficiency.

As the June venue was sold out in one week, Brian will host a second workshop in the Fall.

- Dates: October 10-12, 2014.
- Cost \$495.00 per person.
- Two nights lodging and six meals are provided.
- Limited to ten participants.

For more on this and other workshops, visit  
<http://www.thenatureconnection.com/workshopschedule.html>

To express your interest, please e-mail Brian at  
[bkloflin@austin.rr.com](mailto:bkloflin@austin.rr.com)

**Only 3 Spaces Remain!**

Don't be caught without a space.  
Register NOW!

**BugShot II - This time it's tropical!**



Join photographers  
[Alex Wild](#), [Piotr Naskrecki](#), [John Abbott](#), and [Thomas Shahan](#)  
on an 8 Day excursion to Belize and learn how to photograph insects!

**When:** Sept. 7-14, 2014  
**Where:** Caves Branch Lodge in Belize

To view images from past participants, see  
<https://www.flickr.com/groups/bugshotbelize2013/>

For details and registration, see  
<http://www.eventbee.com/v/bugshot/event?eid=172818003>

Jeff Parker has several upcoming workshops. Visit  
<http://jeffparkerimages.com/joinme/>  
for more information and ASC members  
get a \$10.00 discount!

## **Austin Shutterbug Club Minutes**

**April 3, 2014**

President Brian Loflin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and welcomed attendees and one visitor.

He announced that the judging was being brought back into the meeting time for a change this evening.

Lois Schubert and Bassett Maguire provided refreshments consisting of soft drinks, cake and ice cream to celebrate the anniversary of the club.

Treasurer Paul Munch reported the club has \$3,359.76 in its checking account. He passed the blue envelope for new members and any contact changes for other members.

This Saturday the spring scavenger hunt will be held. Members should have received the scavenger hunt rules by email today. Kickoff will be at 9 a.m. at the Civic Center in Salado. The twenty assignments will be provided at that time. Assignments can also be picked up at lunch.

Brian discussed the upcoming juried club exhibition in the Northwest Hills Methodist Church Gallery. All details are included in the document emailed today. Entries are due May 8. Five entries per member are permitted. The club can hang 80 images, and June 3 is the installation date. There is no theme this year. Framed images should be no wider than 20 inches, but can be canvas or metal prints. Images entered must have been taken in the last five years.

Brian discussed Evaluation & Critique categories for the attendees. Phil Charlton, Dolph McCranie and Brian Loflin served as the judges, with Linda Avitt transcribing their comments. Despite technical problems, all general and assignment images were reviewed and scored.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

## **Call for Entries**

### **10th Annual Naturescapes Photography Contest and Exhibition**

Entry Deadline: July 7, 2014

Sponsored by Hill Country Photography Club and Hays County Chapter of Texas Master Naturalists

The contest includes photographs taken in greenspaces and natural areas throughout Hays, Blanco, Comal, Guadalupe, Caldwell, and Travis Counties.

Suggested subjects include natural scenery, wildlife, plants, and people and pets in the natural environment.

The Hays County Master Naturalists are sponsoring an award for the best photo of a Natural Waterscape. The photo must feature a natural water feature such as a creek, river, pond or lake.

The contest is open to residents and visiting photographers of all ages. A \$100 prize will be awarded for Best in Show, \$75 for the best Youth Category photo, and \$75 for the best Natural Waterscape photo. Up to four \$50 Awards of Excellence will be presented for the next most outstanding photographs. Additional Awards of Merit will be presented at the discretion of the contest juror Mike Sloat.

Naturescapes Exhibition: September 13 - October 31, 2014  
San Marcos Activity Center Walkers Gallery  
Awards Reception: September 13, 2014 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

For more information see the website:  
<http://hcphotoclub.org/naturescapes.html>

A Smith Gallery, Johnson City, TX  
Call for Entry: "conversations"  
Juried by: Lisa M. Robinson and Ken Rosenthal  
Entry deadline: June 16, 2014  
Exhibition dates: August 1 - September 14, 2014  
Receptions: August 30, 2014, 4 to 7 pm  
For more information and entry forms:  
<https://www.asmithgallery.com>

### **Club Leadership for 2014**

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