



Annual Shutterbug Club Holiday and Awards Banquet

Thursday, December 4th

Tres Amigos

Capital of Texas Highway location
1801 South Hwy 360.
Just North of Barton Creek Mall

6:00 PM Happy Hour (Cash Bar)

7:00 PM Dinner includes:

Beef and Chicken Fajitas, plus all the trimmings
Chicken and Cheese Enchiladas
Chips and Salsa
Dessert (Provided by the Club)
Cola, Tea or Coffee
(Bar charges are NOT included)

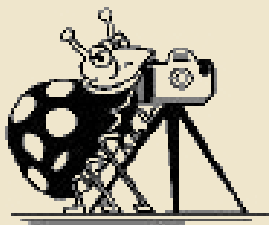
Annual Club Awards for
End of Year Competition Winners to follow

Cost of the Banquet is \$20 per person.

Please bring your check or exact cash amount to the November 6th meeting.
You can also mail your check to: Paul Munch, 10704 Cooper Hill, Austin, TX 78758
Make check payable to Austin Shutterbug Club. Deadline for mailing is December 1st.

November's Meeting is Evaluation and Review:

Wet Reflections: Capture reflections and anything wet. Could be as small as a drop of water or as large as the ocean. Wet streets, wet sidewalks or puddles are fair game. (Pray for rain!)



November Meeting
Thursday, November 6, 2014

6:30 pm

Northwest Recreation Center
2913 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78757

*Visitors are
always welcome!*

May Scavenger Hunt Review

We are going to attempt to review and judge the images from the Scavenger hunt in Salado, TX at the November meeting.

In order to do this, the submission of the images must be orderly and well-organized.

To submit your images to the program, members must follow these instructions:

- **The image must be prepared and sized per the latest competition rules as currently posted on the club web site.**
- **Each image must be numbered with the specific assignment number for each of the twenty assignments (below) in the following manner:
01-yourname; 15-yourname, etc.**
- **Remember, you must use TWO digits for the naming convention.**
- **You must bring your images to the meeting between 6:30 and 7:00 PM on a thumb drive with nothing else on it.**
- **Your images will be added to the folder of the computer at the meeting.**
- **No images can be accepted after 7:00 PM.**

Ballots will be handed out to the members present who will vote on the images during the meeting.

Hopefully, we'll have enough time to tabulate and announce the scores before the end of the evening.

If not the results will be posted via club e-mail.

As a reminder, the list of assignments is as follows:

- 01. Weathered wood**
- 02. Flower(s)**
- 03. A Reflection**
- 04. Repeating pattern**
- 05. Water**
- 06. Old building**
- 07. Something colorful**
- 08. A fence**
- 09. Rusty metal**
- 10. An unusual use of a flag**
- 11. A creative business sign**
- 12. Something the color blue**
- 13. Pointed**
- 14. Rusted**
- 15. Person/People in motion**
- 16. Old and new**
- 17. Texture**
- 18. What's that?**
- 19. Up close**
- 20. Wow!**

Austin Shutterbug Club December Field Trip

Saturday, December 6, 2014

**Brian and Shirley will lead a field trip to the
Colorful San Antonio River Walk
to Photograph Christmas lights.**

This trip will be a late afternoon/evening field trip.

**The field trip will begin with a 3:00 PM meeting
in the lobby of the**

**Hilton Palacio del Rio Hotel
200 South Alamo Street,
(Corner of Alamo and Market Streets)
San Antonio, Texas, 78205**

There we will lay out our suggested itinerary for the evening.
From our meeting place we will venture out to the River Walk to shoot
colorful decorations and holiday attractions.

Along our way we will get snacks and refreshments
from the many vendors along the river walk.
No group meal is planned otherwise.

As twilight falls, we will position ourselves to make images of the
colorful lights and riverside luminarias.

We will continue as we make our way toward the Alamo and complete our photos with
a night view of the Alamo and the traditional
Christmas tree.



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Participants should plan for the weather and dress
comfortably for being outside for the evening.

Tripods will be required for long exposures.

This will be a late field trip. You may plan for a
return drive to Austin about 10:00 PM.

Carpooling among members is recommended but
will not be organized by the club, per se.

NOTE: If bad weather threatens the field trip,
a club-wide email will be distributed early
Saturday morning.

2015 Assignments

January - Weather: An images that depicts weather but NOT a beautiful sunny day. Storm clouds, rain, sleet, snow, ice, wind, fog, rainbows are all acceptable.

March - Still Life: Make an artful arrangement of articles of your choosing, provide just the right light and photograph it. Last years "image of the year" by Barbara Hunley is an excellent example as are beautiful paintings of the old masters. Let your creative juices flow and create a "master piece".

May - Let's go shoot animals! Animal(s) **Four legged, warm blooded animals.** Not birds, reptiles or bugs! Your pet or a wild beast whatever suits your fancy. A portrait of a single animal or an animal family. Color, BW, or monochrome. Your choice.

July - Trees: Big trees, little trees, single tree, grove or row of trees. Just make the principle subject trees. They can be blooming, in fall color or have no leaves at all. Standing dead trees are acceptable. Color or monochrome.

September - Highways and Byways: A path, trail, sidewalk, road, street or highway serving as the leading lines into your image. Make it something that the viewer might want to travel on. Or it could be something daunting that might challenge them. The important thing is that draws them in to something beautiful, interesting or mystical. Color only

November - Wheels: A mode of transportation that is on wheels with the wheels being the main point of interest. Trains, bicycles, tricycles, motorbike/cycle, cars (old or new) trucks are all fair game as well as anything else you find that is on wheels and provides transportation.
Color or Black & White

Call for Entries

A Smith Gallery, Johnson City, TX
Upcoming Call for Entry: "treasure"
Juried by: Roy Flukinger
Entry deadline: November 24, 2014
For more information and entry forms:
<https://www.asmithgallery.com>

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

For Sale: Teleplus PRO 300 DGX 1.4x AF
Teleconverter for Nikon.

This teleconverter is brand new, used once and is in excellent condition. I am selling in order to purchase the new Nikon version 1.4x teleconverter. New price for the Kenko is \$187.00. I will sell for \$90. Check with Kenko to verify compatibility with your lens. Excellent sharpness.
Contact: Phil Charlton, pcharlton@austin.rr.com

For Sale: Sigma 120 -400mm F4.5-5.6 APO
DG OS Nikon Mount FX and/or DX
Filter size 77, Excellent condition
Original box and padded carrying case included
\$680.00

Linda Sheppard lgshppard@att.net
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Leadership Meeting

A meeting of all club officers and committee persons will be called in October. President Brian Loflin will arrange for the venue. Items on the agenda will include budget and officer slate for 2015.

Club Leaders Wanted

Nominations for leaders for the 2015 year will be finalized in October and November, prior to election and installation in December.

There are several members out there who have a lot of positive energy and acumen to contribute in helping lead our club.

We are asking for volunteers and suggestions of people who could help in one of the roles for the new year.

If you can, or know of someone who should fit in a key leader slot, please contact Brian Loflin.

The pay is pitiful but the rewards are great!

Club Leadership for 2014

President	Brian Loflin	512-331-2820
Vice President/Programs	Pete Holland	512-689-5939
Secretary	Shirley Loflin	512-331-2820
Treasurer	Paul Munch	512-836-6379
Competition Chairman	Fred Peebles	512-441-7913
Competition Committee	Linda Sheppard	512-306-1516
Competition Committee	Dolph McCranie	512-394-9031
Competition Committee	Linda Avitt	512-468-1542
Events Coordinator	John Patterson	512-507-7272
Events Coordinator	Gregg Mack	512-431-9573
Hospitality Chairman	Nancy Naylor	512-345-3350
Newsletter Editor	Kathy McCall	512-264-9602
Refreshments Chairman	Beverly Lyle	512-336-5370
Refreshments Chairman	Bev McCranie	512-394-9031
Exhibits	Shirley Loflin	512-331-2820
Webmaster	Barbara Hunley	512-250-1144
Electronic Communication	Rose Epps	512-502-0608
Roster and Name tags	Rose Epps	512-502-0608

Dolph McCranie attended Brian's Macro Workshop and gives us a report:

It was excellent as are most everything that Brian does.

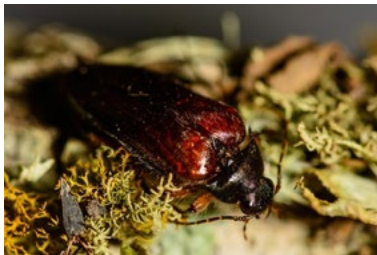
The first day we met at 1 PM For a lecture by Brian all about the true definition of macro: being that the object being photographed is the same size on the sensor as it is in life a one to one ratio. He then went on about ideal equipment and technique.

The next day we were able to practice putting his lectures to work. We had a set up for each photographer with props, stands , clamps etc. that Brian supplied. After getting set up with our cameras on tripods, hopefully with a macro slider, we went out to collect some subjects, such as flowers, lichen or even insects. We then were able to release our artistic selves and photograph these objects at 1/1 by moving the camera to focus rather than using the focus ring on the lens. Very educational.

The next half day was more of the same with a lecture on focus stacking and macro panoramas.

The accommodations at the Mo Ranch were fine and we ate in the ranch cafeteria which served typical cafeteria food. Not wonderful but adequate.

All in all I would highly recommend the workshop for anyone wishing to increase their macro skills and knowledge.



All photos by
Dolph McCranie.



Austin Shutterbug Minutes October 2, 2014

Vice President-Programs Pete Holland called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm, in the absence of the President. Two visitors were welcomed by Pete.

Pete inquired if everyone was getting a newsletter by email. He announced the club website had been hacked and does not work.

Refreshments for the evening were provided by Beverly Lyle and Barbara Hunley.

Treasurer Paul Munch reported the club has \$3,010.62 in its checking account, of which \$2,210.62 is available to spend. Reserved is \$800 for the annual December awards banquet. He passed the blue envelope for visitors interested in joining and any contact changes for existing members. Beverly McCranie told members the banquet would be held Thursday evening, December 4, at Tres Amigos on Loop 360 at a cost of \$20/person. The club will provide dessert.

Saturday's workshop "Tack Sharp" will be conducted by Wes Odell. Attendees will not need to bring their cameras.

Pete introduced the speaker, Alex Labry. He is an active blogger (www.blogart.co) and his website is www.alexlabry.com. He is from New Orleans and holds a BA in Photography, graduating from St. Edwards magna cum laude. He also has a master's in

Fine Arts from UT. He was previously photography director at the Texas House of Representatives and a past president of the Texas Photographic Society.

Alex talked about his background. He was a businessman making a lot of money, but one day he fell in love with photography, and went back to school to learn. He felt he was born to be a photographer. His work is traditional, and he uses Leica equipment. His work will be shown in the near future at ProJex Gallery in Austin, and he is publishing a book on his "Joan of Arc" project. He prints his own images using an Epson 7900 with Hahnemuhle paper and more recently Epson Photo Rag.

After his presentation, he answered questions from the audience.

President Brian Loflin had arrived a few minutes late, and told members after the program the November meeting will include a review of the Salado scavenger hunt photos. He will be sending out instructions for participants. Images will be brought to the meeting on flash drives and will be voted on by attendees.

Pete announced that Alex had prints to show to interested members after the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Rose Epps, Acting Secretary