# Focal Plane

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### Calendar for April 2008

9 Assigned Subject Competition:

16 Print Competition:

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25 Workshop: Plug-in Filters

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When Strangers Meet

Judge: Roman Kurywczak

Judge: Howard Knauer

Judges: Gordon Emrich, Jr.

Howard Knauer,

Richard Perkowski.

Dan Kincaid

Judges: Vinnie Kempf,

David Mills,

Phil Echo



#### Fieldtrip March 30 2008

It was a crisp, sunny Sunday morning in late March when our intrepid group of fourteen descended upon the borough of Brooklyn intent upon preserving for posterity the visual splendors extant therein. We drove into DUMBO, gathered our gear and headed for the riverside parks. With the golden morning light as inspiration we shot views of the bridges and the Manhattan skyline. We proceeded along the shoreline capturing images of the warehouses with old brick, rust, and corroded iron our muses. Our mid-morning break found us in a quaint French Patisserie where we recharged our creative batteries with hot cocoa, croissants, and quiche. We then proceeded to the Brooklyn Bridge Promenade entrance stopping along the way for our serendipitous group photo (see below). Strolling leisurely across the bridge provided a plethora of photo opportunities. Entering Chinatown we meandered through the streets finding images wherever they presented themselves. Our midday repast of copious portions of delicious Chinese cuisine was enjoyed by all. After lunch we returned across the Manhattan Bridge, filling our viewfinders with graffiti-laden views of the city. After our 4 mile trek, we returned to our cars in mid-afternoon with full memory cards and the feeling our mission of capturing some of the visual magnificence of the city had been accomplished. Visit the RCC website photo gallery field trip page to see if you agree.

-- George Garbeck



## Did you know? IN 1982:

Ronald Reagan was president
The British invaded the Falklands
San Francisco defeat Cincinnati in the Super Bowl
A 1<sup>st</sup> Class Stamp cost twenty cents
Film of the year was "Chariots of Fire"
Song of the year was "Bette Davis Eyes"

#### And:

Alice Gunther Joined PSA

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#### Welcome to the Jerry Fornarotto Page

#### Alice Gunther Reaches a PSA Milestone

Each year the Photographic Society of America (PSA) recognizes those faithful long-time members that have met a significant membership anniversary during the previous year. Alice Gunther has received a commemorative certificate from PSA President, Fred Green, FPSA, EPSA. As the PSA Region 14 Director I would like to congratulate Alice for 25 years of continued membership. Jerry Fornarotto, PSA Region 14 Director



#### Jerry Fornarotto Does It Again!

Jerry has been awarded the PSA Gold Medal for his image "Mountain Lion with Pheasant". Jerry has entered this image into the,

2008 Saguaro Nature Exhibition. The judging was March 15th. This was a PSA exhibition, sanctioned by the Nature Division. Jerry has been actively competing in PSA Exhibitions for two years.

To find out about PSA-Recognized Exhibitions log onto http://www.psa-newmember.org/consultation\_services.html . A list of exhibitions is posted in the back of the PSA Journal.

To join PSA go to http://www.psa-photo.org/membership.asp?menuID=2&DivID=8 . On the line "Who refer you to PSA" fill in with Jerry Fornarotto.



## Pictorial Competition March 12 2008

## Roman Kurywczak was judging

| Honorable Mentions | B Group |
|--------------------|---------|
|--------------------|---------|

| de Flon Nancy | Tottenville beach 2    |
|---------------|------------------------|
| Levine Gwenn  | Boat and rocks in mist |
| Levine Gwenn  | Tree & Boats with Mist |
| Pierson Dave  | Sad Old Friend         |
| Szostak Sonya | auren Spence           |

#### Awards B Group

| Beerman Marc  | Paterson Falls Winter |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| Dong Jia Han  | Antique Bed for rent  |
| Dong Jia Han  | Sailing               |
| Levine Gwenn  | ē .                   |
| Szostak Sonya | want to play ball     |

#### **Honorable Mentions** A Group

| Fox Connie           | .hummingbird impression      |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Fox Connie           |                              |
| Gheno Rich           | . Anasquam Point             |
| Gunther Alice        |                              |
| Hall George          | . Colorful woody             |
| Hall George          | . Flying Feet                |
| Joffe Martin         | . The Grand Staircase        |
| Kane Marie           | . Speed Demon                |
| Kantor Stanley       | . Iris Detail no 2           |
| Kempf Vinnie         |                              |
| LaPlaca-Post Camille |                              |
| LaPlaca-Post Camille | =                            |
| Licht Kenn           | . Waterford Fountain         |
| Merena Nancy         |                              |
| Molino Maggie        | . Boats at the Summer Palace |
| Molino Maggie        |                              |
| O'Malley Della       |                              |
| O'Malley Della       | . Water Lily Close-Up        |
| O'Malley Peter       |                              |
| O'Malley Peter       |                              |
| O'Malley Peter       |                              |
| Parseghian Alyce     |                              |
| Steinmeyer Dieter    |                              |
|                      | . UPPER ANTELOPE CANYON #2   |

#### Awards A Group

| Garbeck GeorgeGolden Boy                    |    |
|---|----|
| Garbeck GeorgeReflected Pears               |    |
| Gheno RichCactus Flower                     |    |
| Hall GeorgePondering                        |    |
| Joffe Martin Cottonwood tree in morning lig | ht |
| Johnson NormGrizzly Relaxing                |    |
| Kane MarieBleeding Heart                    |    |
| Licht KennSelf Portrait                     |    |
| O'Malley DellaStriking Purple Iris          |    |
| Steinmeyer Dieter Chinese Lantern           |    |
| Steinmeyer DieterWhite Lily                 |    |

## Nature Competition March 19 2008

#### Phil Echo was judging

| Nature General | <b>Honorable Mentions</b> |
|----------------|---------------------------|
|----------------|---------------------------|

| Kane Marie           | Mt. Moran Reflected |  |
|----------------------|---------------------|--|
| LaPlaca-Post Camille | Snow in Harriman    |  |
| Mantrom Stephen      | First Snow          |  |
|                      |                     |  |

Parseghian Alyce ......Tree & grasses in Zion

#### Nature General Awards

| de Flon Nancy   | Icelandic flowers |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Dong Jia Han    |                   |
| Kantor Florence |                   |
| Phillip Don     | Long Shadows      |

#### Nature Botanical Honorable Mentions

| Dong Jia Han   | Yucca          |
|----------------|----------------|
| Hall George    | Loosestrife    |
| O'Malley Della | Wild Columbine |

#### **Nature Botanical** Awards

| Gunther Alice     | Greenbrook Geraniums 3 |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Levine Joyce      | ready to unfurl        |
| Steinmeyer Dieter | Lupines                |

#### Nature Zoological Honorable Mentions

| Joffe Martin | Dar | nsel   | Fly N | lo 1 |  |
|--------------|-----|--------|-------|------|--|
| Johnson Norm | Res | ting   | Coug  | ar   |  |
| Kempf Vinnie | Boł | ocat & | & Ch  | ukar |  |
| C' 11        |     |        |       |      |  |

Simpson Allen ...... American Toads with eggs No2

Steinmeyer Dieter.....Swallow Tail

#### Nature Zoological Awards

| Hall George    | . Confrontation                     |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Joffe Martin   | . Mexican Ground Squirrel No 1      |
| Kane Marie     | . Grey Wolf Portrait                |
| Kempf Vinnie   | . Cougar                            |
| Kempf Vinnie   | . Tiger                             |
| O'Malley Della | .Julia Butterfly                    |
| Simpson Allen  | . Female Northern Water Snake       |
| Szostak Sonya  | .hey wait for me lonely hermit crab |

#### Nature Ornithological Honorable Mentions

| Gheno Rich     | Gila Woodpecker 1            |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| Gunther Alice  | Portrait of a Predator 2     |
| O'Mallay Pater | Black Crowned Night Haron on |

O'Malley Peter.....Black Crowned Night Heron on Branch

Phillip Don .....Lunch Break

#### **Nature Ornithological** Awards

| Fox Connie     | Tri-Color Heron with 3 chicks |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Fox Connie     | White Egret's Nesting         |
| Gheno Rich     | Late Afternoon Snack          |
| Goodell Doug   | Egret Rising                  |
| Joffe Martin   | Female Bob White No 1         |
| O'Malley Peter | Pelican in Flight             |

#### CLASS A PROJECTED IMAGES

| MEMBER               | PICTORIAL | ASSIGNED | NATURE | TOTAL |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|--------|-------|
| George Hall          | 100       | 25       | 94     | 219   |
| Peter O'Malley       | 91        | 23       | 94     | 208   |
| Rich Gheno           | 96        | 21       | 88     | 205   |
| Marie Kane           | 92        | 20       | 93     | 205   |
| Marjorie Forrest     | 85        | 25       | 93     | 203   |
| Martin Joffe         | 89        | 22       | 92     | 203   |
| Vinnie Kemp          | 84        | 23       | 95     | 202   |
| Della O'Malley       | 92        | 17       | 91     | 200   |
| Allen Simpson        | 75        | 21       | 96     | 192   |
| Camille LaPlaca-Post | 86        | 21       | 85     | 192   |
| Alyce Parseghian     | 87        | 20       | 82     | 189   |
| Alice Gunther        | 86        | 21       | 81     | 188   |
| Stanley Kantor       | 89        | 21       | 77     | 187   |
| Florence Kantor      | 81        | 21       | 82     | 184   |
| Andrew Vaccaro       | 75        | 18       | 86     | 179   |
| Joe Placer           | 80        | 19       | 79     | 178   |
| Joyce Levine         | 76        | 19       | 81     | 176   |
| Connie Fox           | 85        |          | 81     | 166   |
| Dieter Steinmeyer    | 100       |          | 65     | 165   |
| Norm Johnson         | 80        |          | 78     | 158   |
| George Garbeck       | 90        | 27       |        | 117   |
| Maggie Molino        | 40        | 15       | 61     | 116   |
| Joel Schilling       | 39        | 21       | 44     | 104   |
| Ken Licht            | 78        | 7        | 5      | 90    |
| Frank Crommelin      | 41        |          | 37     | 78    |
| Laurie Spina         | 38        |          | 38     | 76    |
| Karen Kruger         | 44        |          | 20     | 64    |
| Bob Kane             | 21        |          | 19     | 40    |
| Doug Goodell         |           |          | 40     | 40    |
| Ara Chickarian       | 16        |          | 19     | 35    |
| Fernando Lopez       | 22        |          |        | 22    |
| Bun Chan             |           | 17       |        | 17    |
|                      |           |          |        |       |

#### MARCH COMPETITION TOTALS

#### CLASS B PROJECTED IMAGES

| MEMBER              | PICTORIAL | ASSIGNED | NATURE | TOTALS |
|---------------------|-----------|----------|--------|--------|
| Jia Han (Eric) Dong | 95        | 21       | 79     | 195    |
| Dave Pierson        | 78        | 18       | 70     | 166    |
| Sonya Szostak       | 87        |          | 75     | 162    |
| Bob Peltz           | 56        | 18       | 59     | 133    |
| Gwenn Levine        | 89        | 19       |        | 108    |
| Daisy Watson        | 40        |          | 34     | 74     |
| Nancy deFlan        | 20        | 17       | 20     | 57     |
| Marc Berman         | 28        | 6        | 20     | 54     |
| Nancy Merena        | 20        | 17       | 12     | 49     |
| Stephen Mantrom     | 13        |          | 31     | 44     |
| Louis Kalmar        | 23        | 19       |        | 42     |
| Ed Marchese         | 42        |          |        | 42     |
| Don Phillip         | 18        |          | 23     | 41     |
| Joe Cuomo           |           |          | 19     | 19     |
|                     |           |          |        |        |

#### MARCH COMPETITION TOTALS

#### **CLASS A PRINTS MEMBER** BIK & WHT COLOR Connie Fox 73 66 Della O'Malley 70 71 Fernando Lopez 66 70 Marjorie Forrest 56 69 Martin Joffe 63 69 Peter O'Malley 68 68 Alyce Parseghian 67 Rich Gheno 66 63 Laurie Spina 62 Andrew Vaccaro 12 60 Camille La Placa-Post 41 Norm Johnson 38 39 Bob Kane 27 31 Klaren Kruger 20 Dieter Steinmeyer 6

#### **CLASS B PRINTS**

| MEMBER            | BLK & WHT | COLOR |
|-------------------|-----------|-------|
| Alice Gunther     |           | 64    |
| Dave Pierson      | 17        | 62    |
| Jia Han (Eric) Do | ong 49    | 47    |
| Sonya Szostak     |           | 42    |
| Marc Berman       |           | 35    |
| Rose Becker       | 19        | 19    |
| Daisy Watson      | 17        | 19    |
| Stephen Mantron   | n 7       | 6     |

#### **PSA Nature Division interclub Competition results**

#### Ridgewood Camera Club

| Image Title                      | Score | Award | dMaker Name       |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| Langur Monkey Nursing Her Infant | 14    |       | Richard Gheno     |
| Hairy Woodpeckers - Eat-up       | 14    | HM    | Doug Goodell      |
| Loosing My Stamens               | 9     |       | Dieter Steinmeyer |
| Anhinga Habitat                  | 15    | HM    | Connie Fox        |

## Marie's pick of the month for March Flying Feet by George Hall



We meet on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 8:00 pm The Woman's Club of Wyckoff, 176 Wyckoff Ave. Wyckoff. NJ Guests are always welcome at regular meetings

#### Assigned subjects for the 2007/2008 season

**When Strangers Meet** 



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