



Ken VanderPutten  
***Perpendicular Rhinos*** (left)  
***Horseshoe Bend*** (above)

## InFocus, the Newsletter of the Puget Sound Camera Club

The Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC) welcomes new members of any level of expertise in digital and film photography. The Club meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at Maplewood Presbyterian Church in Edmonds, Washington.

Activities include education, review of work, and exhibition opportunities.

**Note that during the current pandemic, our meetings are held online via video conferencing. More information is available via our Meetup page.**

The PSCC was organized in 1984 and is a member of the Photographic Society of America and the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs.

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Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC): [www.pugetsoundcamera.com](http://www.pugetsoundcamera.com)  
Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC): [www.nwcameraclubs.org](http://www.nwcameraclubs.org)  
Photographic Society of America (PSA): [www.psa-photo.org](http://www.psa-photo.org)

## Message from the President

I hope everyone had a safe and scary Halloween! The weather has been chilly and sunny but will soon be a more Puget Sound wet and drippy. It will be time to break out the waterproof covers for our cameras and get out there and take some iconic Puget Sound area autumnal pictures. If you don't have a fancy camera cover, I've found a plastic bag works quite well.

If you haven't registered for the NWCCC Annual Conference yet you still have time. For \$60 you get two in-person presentations by Keynote Speaker John Pedersen: **15 Tips For Improving Your Photography** and **Be An Artist**, plus the following via Zoom:

- Aaron Hockley **Creative Aspects of AI Tools Available for Photographers such as Luminar, Photoshop...**
- Derrick Story **Infrared Photography**
- Allan Walls **Extreme Macro Photography**
- Sharon Tenenbaum **Architectural Photography**
- Thibault Roland **The Art of Black and White Photography**

All presentations, including John Pedersen's, will be recorded and available for viewing through March, 2024 by those who have registered for the Conference before November 11.

See page 5 or go to <https://nwcameraclubs.org> for more information.

Chris

Chris Currie *Red Sunset for a Blue Tractor*





## October 2023 Digital Night Scores

<b>Commentators</b>	Bob Birnbaum JoDee Owen
<b>Judges</b>	Chris Currie Mary Tevis Henry Heerschap
<b>Assignment</b>	Patterns in Nature

**MP - Most Popular**

## Assignments in November 2023

**Digital: Entrances**  
**Print: Fall Leaves**

For more information as well as the full list of assignments this coming year, go to [www.pugetsoundcamera.com/assignments](http://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/assignments)

**Welcome New Member!**  
**Dale Cooper**

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignment	Gateway to the Abyss	Henry Heerschap	23	First Place
	Passion Geometry	Robert Rutkin	23	First Place
	Corn Varieties, Peru	Klaus Lorenz	22	
	Monarch Beauty	Robert Rutkin	21	
	Palouse Patterns	Lauren Heerschap	21	
	Turkey Feather	Andy Royce	20	
	Raindrop Red Dahlia	Lauren Heerschap	19	
	Flamingo Feathers	Mary Pease	18	MP
Creatures	Perpendicular Rhinos	Ken VanderPutten	26	First Place, MP
	The Stink Eye	Henry Heerschap	25	
	Goldfinch	Bill Ray	24	
	Caught Red Handed	Michael Hrankowski	23	
	What the Brazilian Jungle Looks Like	Mary Tevis	23	
	Pollen Gatherer on Sunflower	Mary Pease	20	
	Tiny Moth, Big Antenna	Bill Wheeler	Unjudged	
	Wasp Hypopharynx at 20X	Bill Wheeler	Unjudged	
Creative/Altered	Douro River, Porto	Bob Birnbaum	22	First Place
	Pinky Winky Hydrangea	Andy Royce	21	
	(Seattle) Sea Dragon	Mercedes Perez	21	MP
Monochrome	Darwin, CA	Bill Royce	24	First Place, MP
	Palouse from StepToe Butte	JoDee Owens	21	
	Palouse Falls	Wilie Wellington	21	
	Saint Edwards Seminary	Wilie Wellington	20	
	Chambers Golf Course Commemorative Tree	JoDee Owens	18	
Open	Horseshoe Bend	Ken VanderPutten	25	First Place, MP
	Autumn on the Farm	Michael Hrankowski	24	MP
	Morning at Yachats	Les Rawlings	24	
	The Door in Union Town	Chris Currie	23	
	Icicle Creek	Mercedes Perez	23	
	ET Visits Juanita Bay	Bill Ray	22	
	Art and Life	Bill Royce	21	
	Vietnamese Basket Boats	Linda Charboneau	21	
	Happy Halloween	Bob Birnbaum	20	
	Tahoe	Linda Charboneau	20	
	A Cheap Way to Wash a Car	Dave Patzwald	20	
	Turn!	Chris Currie	20	
	Open all Night	Jack Broom	19	
	Denver Botanical Garden	Dave Patzwald	19	
	Painter at Work, Thailand	Klaus Lorenz	18	
	Photography in the Forks Area	Mary Tevis	17	

**October 2023  
Print Night Scores**

<b>Judges</b>	Michael Hrankowski
	Bob Joiner Phil Kollen
<b>Assignment</b>	Panorama-
	Horizontal or Vertical

**MP - Most Popular**

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignments	Silver Falls	Dan Scavezze	23	
Creatures	Gorilla Grin	Bob Sotak	26	First Place (tied)
	Paper Wasp	Henry Heerschap	26	First Place (tied), MPC
	A Hearty Meal	Henry Heerschap	22	
Creative/Altered	Moonscape	Phil Kollen	26	First Place
	A Kaleidoscope of Branches	Michael Hrankowski	24	
Monochrome	White Lotus	Michael Hrankowski	24	First Place
	Take Us To Your Leader	Michael Hrankowski	21	MPM
	Dahlia Portrait	Henry Heerschap	19	
Open	Red Sunset For A Blue Tractor	Chris Currie	26	First Place
	Peace Pond	Rick Godsalve	25	
	Good Morning	Rick Godsalve	24	
	A Truck For Henry	Chris Currie	23	
	Lily In Memoriam	Rick Godsalve	22	
	Clouds Coming	Dan Scavezze	21	
	Cosmic Windmill	Chris Currie	21	
	Cruising' In Style	Lauren Heerschap	18	
	Early Morning Fog	Phil Kollen	26	
	Dodge Grill	Lauren Heerschap	24	
	Tiger Orchids	Lauren Heerschap	20	
	Mud Flats Milky Way	Dan Scavezze	17	



Bob Birnbaum **Douro River, Porto**



Bob Birnbaum **Happy Halloween**



# NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF CAMERA CLUBS 2023 CONFERENCE

**November 11, 2023 live**  
**with virtual classes November 12th - 16th**



**JOHN PEDERSON**  
will present two keynote talks in person

**15 TIPS FOR IMPROVING YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY, and  
BE AN ARTIST**

... to help others further their creative photographic goals and become better artists  
... to bring passion and inspiration to everyone I work with in the visual arts  
... to convey my love of nature and the visual arts through photography

## **ONLINE INSTRUCTORS INCLUDE:**

**AARON HOCKLEY**  
**Creative Aspects of A.I. Tools**  
**Available for Photographers**

**DERRICK STORY**  
**Infrared Photography**

**ALLAN WALLS**  
**Extreme Macro Photography**

**SHARON TENENBAUM**  
**Architectural Photography**

**THIBAUT ROLAND**  
**The Art of Black and White Photography**

Topics subject to revision.  
Final schedule to be announced.

## **Keynote Speeches, Print Salon and Awards Ceremony**

**Saturday, November 11, 2023**

at the  
**CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**2415 S 320th St. Federal Way, WA**



**\$60 Registration,**  
includes live attendance  
and online classes until March 31, 2024  
Visit [NWCameraClubs.Org](https://NWCameraClubs.Org)





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(clockwise from upper left)  
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***Mud Flats Milky Way***

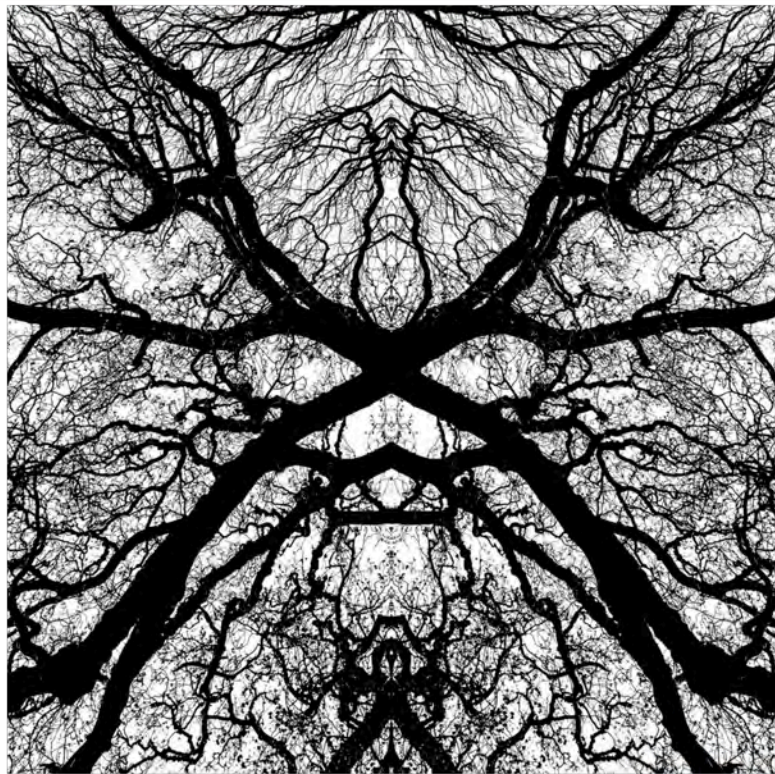
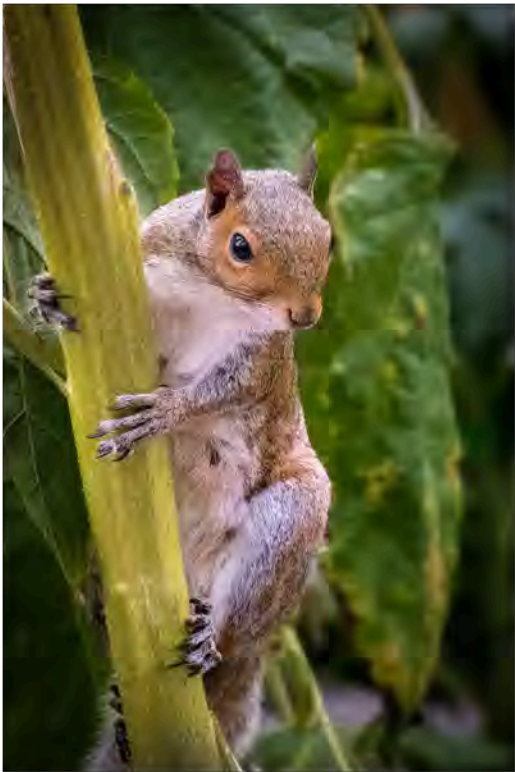




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***Lily in Memorium***  
***Peace Pond***







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JoDee Owens *Chambers Golf Course*

JoDee Owens *Palouse from Steptoe Butte*



Bill Royce *Art and Life*

Bill Royce *Darwin, CA*







Mercedes Perez **(Seattle) Sea Dragon**



Andy Royce **Pinky Winky Hydrangea**



Mary Pease **Pollen Gatherer on Sunflower**

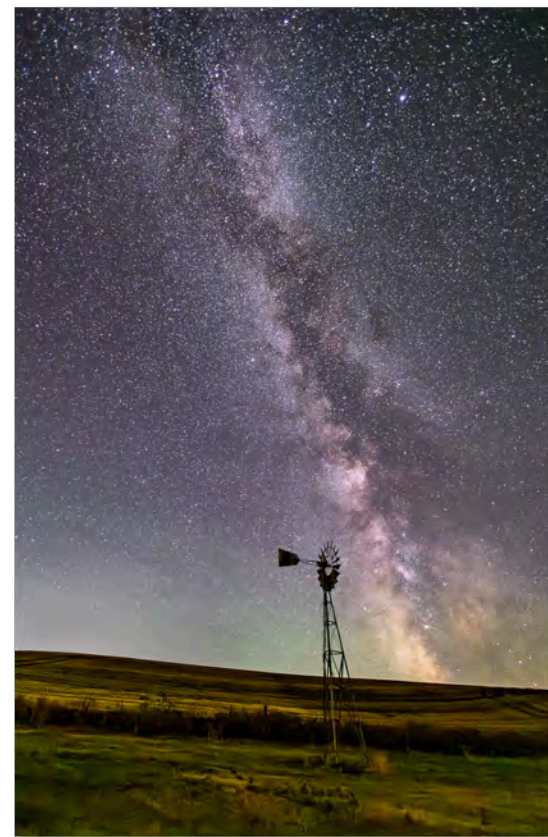
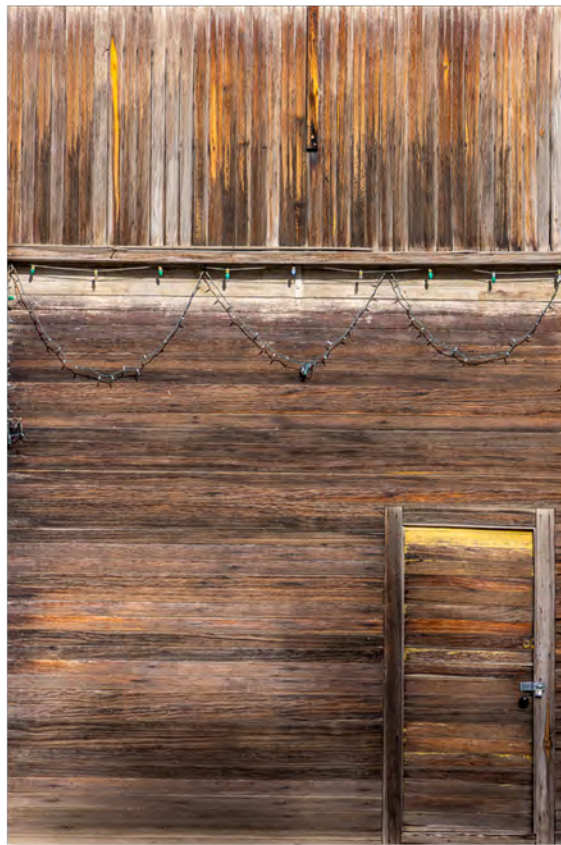
Mary Pease **Flamingo Feathers**



Klaus Lorenz **Corn Varieties, Peru**







Chris Currie  
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***Cosmic Windmill***  
***Turn!***





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***The Stink Eye***

***A Hearty Meal***

***Dahlia Portrait***







Bill Wheeler **Wasp Hypopharynx 20x**



Bill Wheeler **Tiny Moth Big Antenna**



Andy Royce **Turkey Feather**



Bill Ray **ET Visits Juanita Bay**





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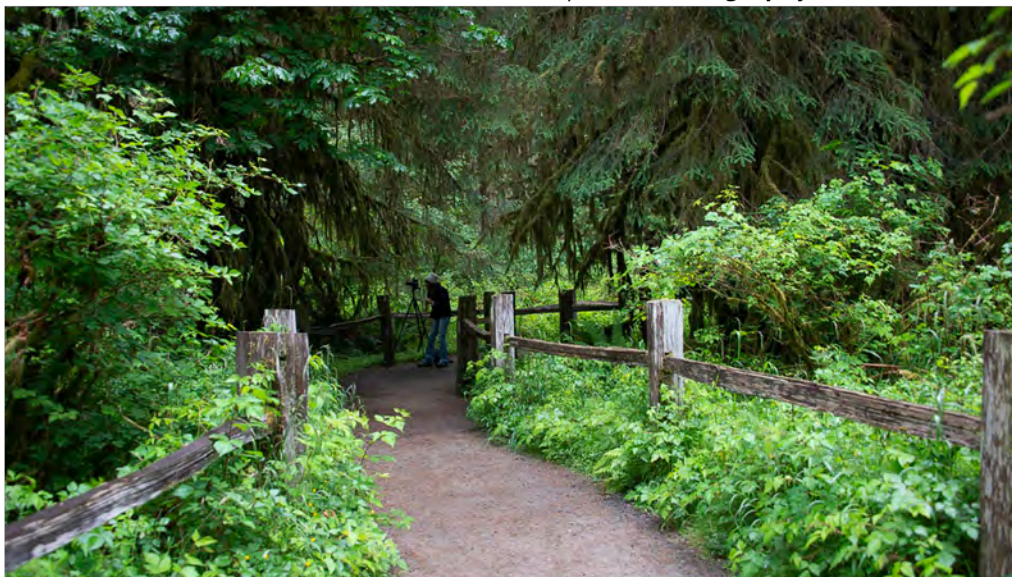




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***Vietnamese Basket Boats***



Jack Broom ***Open All Night***



Mary Tevis ***Photography in the Forks Area***



Klaus Lorenz ***Painter at Work, Thailand***



## PSCC Board Meeting Minutes on October 16, 2023

Held on Zoom

Present were Chris Currie, Henry Heerschap, Yvonne Shimek, and Bob Sotak.

The meeting was called to order by Chris Currie at 7:05 pm. The minutes of September 18, 2023, were moved to be accepted, seconded, and passed.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

No nominee for either President or Secretary of the NWCCC has been identified. The matter has been continued to the NWCCC Board Meeting on January 13, 2024. If anyone is interested in being nominated to either position or knows someone who is should contact Lynne Greenup.

The field trip to Kubota Garden on August 13 was attended by seven members. Fall color was just starting but all had a good time.

Jack Graham, the speaker scheduled to speak in person at the NWCCC Conference on November 11, 2023, will not be able to appear due to health issues. John Pedersen will speak instead on the same or similar subjects.

### **VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Vice-President Mercedes Perez was unable to attend. She is working on getting a speaker for the October 30, 2023 education night. SPS has invited PSCC to attend Darrel Gulin's presentation at SPS on October 24.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Yvonne Shimek reported that the financial records for fiscal year July 1 2022, through June 30, 2023, have been audited by Mary Tevis and no errors were found. Yvonne also reported that there was \$1,501.19 in the club's bank account as of October 16, 2023. The Treasurer's

report was moved to be accepted, seconded, and passed. Yvonne reported that Mary Tevis will not be auditing the books next year and we will have to find someone else to do it.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The transition to the Visual Pursuits web hosting system continues and is expected to be completed by the end of the year at the latest. Bob Sotak will be reaching out directly to several people to form a group to meet on Zoom and engage in a 'field trial' of the new web site with a follow up meeting to discuss any issues that came up during the 'field trial'. These people are expected to learn enough about the new website and system so that they can help other members during the transition. The January digital night will be run using the new web site. Changes to the voting system will be addressed after the transition is complete.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Henry requested authorization to use the PSCC projector, screen, and other items necessary for the speaker at the NWCCC conference on November 11. It was moved, seconded and passed that such authorization be given.

The holiday party in December was discussed. A preliminary decision was made to have pizza for those attending in person as well as a white elephant exchange again this year. Further details will be decided at the next board meeting.

The next Board meeting will be November 20, 2023, at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Members of the club are invited to attend. Please let Chris Currie know if you would like to be present and she will send you a link.

Minutes submitted by Chris Currie