



Mercedes Perez  
*White Tulip*



## 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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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PugetSoundCamera>



<https://www.meetup.com/Puget-Sound-Camera-Club-Meetup/>



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

Hi PSCC members.

As we start a new club year I wish you all a happy Independence Day. Stay safe and well over the holiday and get out and get some great photographs. If anyone has ideas for future field trips please get in touch with Mercedes Perez, our Vice-President. If anyone has other ideas about any changes they'd like to see tried in the club please contact Michael Hrankowski, our new Member At Large. Email addresses are under "Officers" to the left.

The **Arts of The Terrace** is now accepting entries for its annual art show which runs from September 24 to October 1 this year. The deadline for entering is August 12, 2022. The web site is: <https://mltarts.org/artsoftheterrace/>

The 18th Annual **Puget Sound Bird Fest** is being held in Edmonds on September 10 & 11, 2022. There is a photography competition and entries are now being accepted for that. The format is digital only. The deadline for entry is August 20, 2022. The rules are at: [https://cdn5-hosted.civicleve.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_16494932/File/Government/Departments/Parks,%20Recreation%20and%20Cultural%20Services/Discovery%20Programs/Puget%20Sound%20Bird%20Fest/Photo%20Contest\\_Call%20for%20Entries-Rules-2022.pdf](https://cdn5-hosted.civicleve.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_16494932/File/Government/Departments/Parks,%20Recreation%20and%20Cultural%20Services/Discovery%20Programs/Puget%20Sound%20Bird%20Fest/Photo%20Contest_Call%20for%20Entries-Rules-2022.pdf)

Chris Currie  
PSCC President

Bob Sotak *Palouse Summer Sunrise*



## June 2022 Print Night Scores

<b>Judges</b>	Jack Broom Lauren Heerschap Chris Currie
<b>Assignment</b>	Wildlife in Monochrome

**MPC** - Most Popular Color

**MPM** - Most Popular Monochrome

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignment	Sleeping Beauties	Michael Hrankowski	25	
	Greater Kudu	Henry Heerschap	21	
	Wiener in the Grass	Michael Hrankowski	20	
Creative/Altered	Stumbling Stones and Edith Stein	Lauren Heerschap	21	MPC
	Sunrise on the Snohomish	Michael Hrankowski	21	
Creatures	Malachite Butterfly	Lauren Heerschap	24	
	Crow Gets Lunch	Jack Broom	24	
	Staredown	Henry Heerschap	22	
	Gull Gets Lunch	Jack Broom	21	
	Great Blue Heron at Sunset	Glen Moffitt	20	
	Lady Red-winged Blackbird	Glen Moffitt	18	
Monochrome	White Tulip	Mercedes Perez	24	MPM
	Great St Martin Church	Lauren Heerschap	22	
	Light and Shadow	Henry Heerschap	22	
Open	Smith Tower from the Ferry Terminal	Mercedes Perez	21	
	Palouse Summer Sunrise	Bob Sotak	18	

**No Digital Night in June  
due to year end awards**

### Assignments in July, 2022

**Digital: Calm**

**Print: Cityscape at Night**

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

### Arts of the Terrace is back!

COVID forced the cancellation of one of my favorite art shows- Mountlake Terrace's **Arts of the Terrace**. Not the biggest art show in the area, this show has consistently featured excellent quality work in painting, sculpture, calligraphy, and photography. I was pleased to see that the show is back for the first time since 2019.

The entry deadline is August 12. If your work is accepted, it needs to be delivered September 16 or 17. The show dates are September 24 - October 1. You can enter up to four images. Note that the fee is \$20 for each entry.

Many PSCC members have participated and have won awards at this show over the years. It's a great show to get your feet wet if you've never entered an art show before.

More info at <https://mltarts.org/artsoftheterrace/>

### Useful Web Links

Many of us have been shooting for a good while and amassed a substantial collection of images over the years. At the same time, we've learned new skills in photo processing and have seen substantial improvements in the software we use. A great creative exercise is to plumb that back catalog and **look for images that could benefit from re-editing** or perhaps images that were overlooked because it was too much trouble to make them presentable. I found a good article on re-editing an old wedding photo. A lot of the same principles could be applied to our other work as well.

<https://www.imaging-resource.com/news/2022/05/24/master-your-craft-why-you-should-re-edit-older-photos-using-new-skills>

A great exercise when out shooting is looking for **patterns** in a scene. Gardens and other landscaped locations can be an especially great place for finding patterns. NANPA has a good article on their website.  
<https://nanpa.org/2022/06/01/photography-101-patterns/>

# 2022 PSCC Year End Awards

To see slideshows of the entries and winning images, go to  
<https://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/2022-year-end-awards>

## Digital Awards

	Award Maker	Title
Digital Image of the Year	Michael Hrankowski	Tranquil Afternoon on the Oregon Coast
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Holly Hauser	Brown Pelican in Breeding Plumage
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Bill Ray	Pioneer Schoolhouse and Milky Way
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Jeff Lane	Red Naped Sapsucker
Honorable Mention	Lynne Greenup	Peek-a-Boo Gecko
	Dennis Ostgard	Seattle Tower
	Andy Royce	Blue Gill
	Holly Hauser	Learning the Ropes
	Jeff Lane	Mandarin Duck

## Print Awards

Print of the Year	Michael Hrankowski	Clematis Seed Heads
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Michael Hrankowski	South Georgia Coastline in Summer
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Dennis Ostgard	Christmas Camellia
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Jack Broom	Foggy Morning at Olympic Sculpture Park

**Lucille Ainsworth Service Award for Outstanding Service to the Club** – Bob Sotak

**George Ferrara Mentor Award** – Mercedes Perez

## President's Awards

### Certificate of Appreciation:

Henry Heerschap  
Dave Patzwald

### Award of Merit:

Yvonne Shimek  
Mary Tevis  
Chris Currie

## Paul and Shirley Kovac Award for Creativity

Judge: Robert Stahl, photography instructor, North Seattle College

Winner: "Inside a Fractal" by Lauren Heerschap

Judge's comment: "'Mesmerizing' is the word that comes to mind. The image is just not merely a planar (two-dimensional) design but rather has areas where one's eye and imagination can leave the surface. Spain's 'Alhambra' came to mind for me when viewing this picture. A photograph can be a question as well as an answer. Such is the lure and strength of this image."

Honorable mention: "Passion" by JoDee Owens

Judge's comment: "Love the impressionistic 'feeling' invoked by this photograph. The power of suggestion is on full display here by way of nuance and subtlety. Has a real watercolor quality about it."

Honorable mention: "Curves" by Les Rawlings

Judge's comment: "Like the restrained color palette in this photograph. When one doesn't have a sharp color contrast in a photo, a range of subtle color tones can provide visual interest. As well, texture and line create a satisfying flow in this image."

## Ray Thorsteinson Memorial Award for Photojournalism

Judge: Joe Barrentine, former Seattle Times photo editor, former Tacoma News Tribune director of photography.

Winner: "Seattle at Night" by Jack Broom

Judge's comment: "Telling a complicated story in a single photo can be difficult. The juxtaposition of the lone camper and the temple of gluttony succeeds at illustrating one of the biggest stories in our region today in a visually arresting manner. The red umbrella, with feet sticking out- reminiscent of the work of the great Alan Berner- elicits a range of emotions as a good photo should. Well done."

Honorable mention: "But Officer, This is Times Square" by Robert Rutkin

Honorable mention: "Van Burns on I-5" by Jack Broom

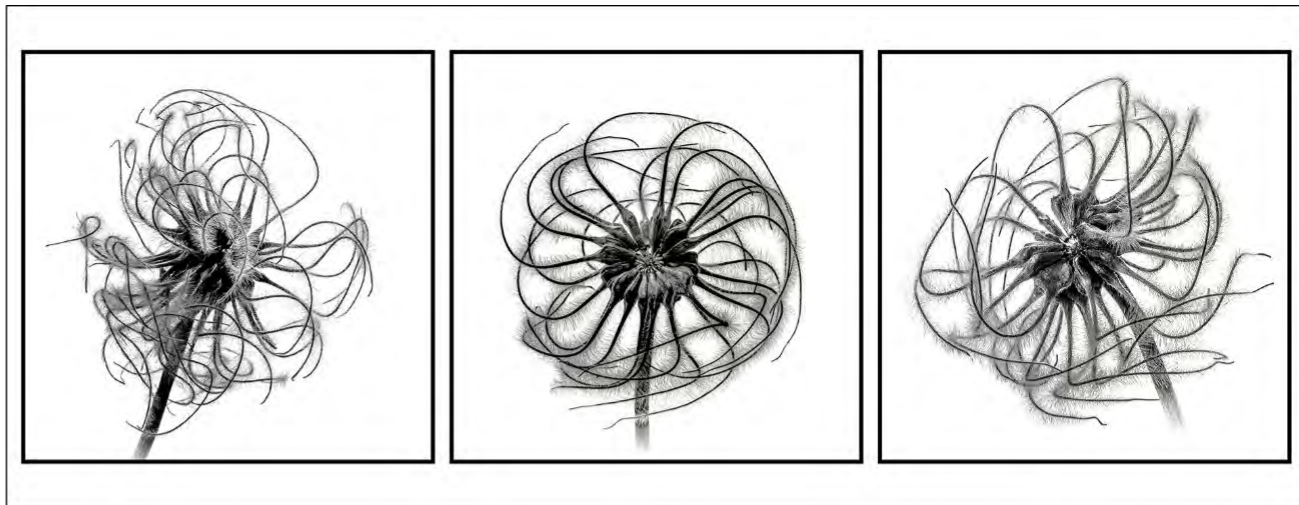


Digital Image of the Year  
Michael Hrankowski A Tranquil Afternoon on the Oregon Coast

Photojournalism  
Jack Broom Seattle at Night

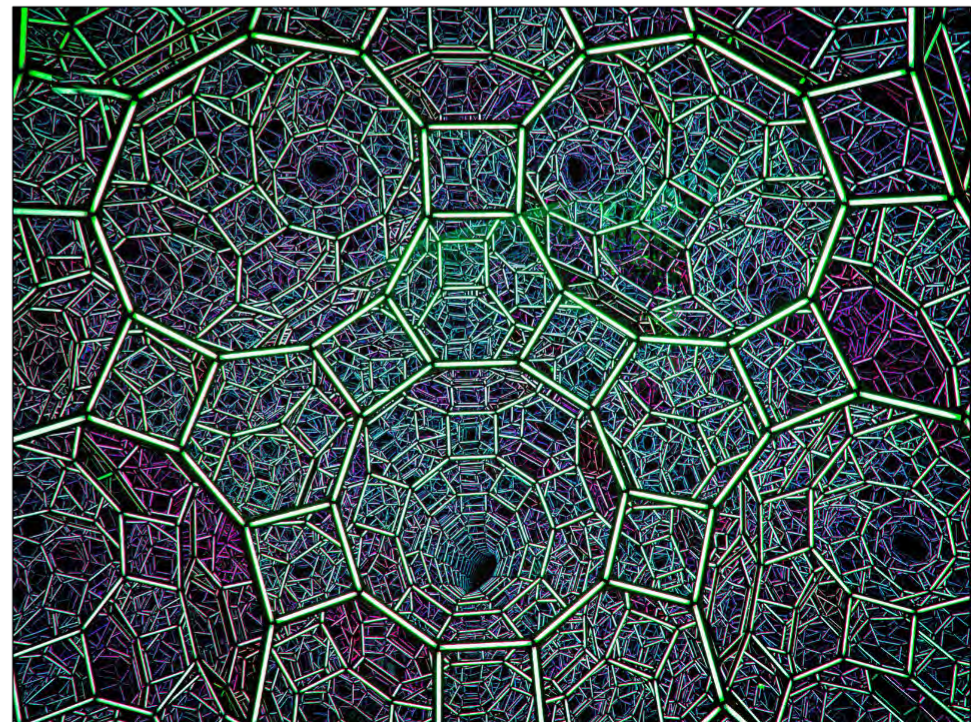


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Creativity  
Lauren Heerschap Inside a Fractal Ball





Lauren Heerschap Malachite Butterfly



Henry Heerschap Staredown

Jack Broom Gull Gets Lunch



Jack Broom Crow Gets Lunch





Michael Hrankowski ***Sleeping Beauties***



Henry Heerschap ***Staredown***



Michael Hrankowski ***Wiener in the Grass***

Henry Heerschap  
***Light & Shadow***





Michael Hrankowski  
***Sunrise on the Snohomish***  
 (Note: photo of print made with vellum and metallic foil)



Lauren Heerschap ***Great St Martin Church***



Lauren Heerschap ***Stumbling Stones and Edith Stein***



Mercedes Perez **Smith Tower from the Ferry Terminal**



Glen Moffitt **Lady Red-winged Blackbird**



Glen Moffitt **Great Blue Heron at Sunset**