

# Happy New Year!

This issue features images that placed in the 2024 NWCCC Competitions



Michael Hrankowski Boy on a Bus



Chris Currie Old Barn

### 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

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### Message from the President

Dear Members

Happy 2025! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season this year and that 2025 will bring joy and happiness to everyone.. I'm looking forward to an energized and productive year of photography and seeing all your new images. If anyone has any ideas for field trips in the coming year, please let me or Lauren Heerschap know.

Digital Night entries are due January 8, 2025. The Assignment is Reflections. With all the 'atmospheric rivers' we've had going through there should be plenty of opportunities for images of reflections of a variety of objects. Just keep your gear dry out there!

I look forward to seeing you all on the 13th (plus Print Night on the 27th)!

Chris Currie
PSCC President

Chris Currie Tree in the Palouse



Welcome New Member!

Don Coyner

### **NWCCC Awards - PSCC Winners**

The Northwest Council of Camera Clubs holds four image competitions every year, the results of which are announced at their November conference. Members of the Puget Sound Camera Club did well in several of the competitions.

### **Open Print Salon**

Jeff Lane took **Best of Show** for **Short Eared Owl and Harrier Large Color Division:** 

Chris Currie won **Honorable Mention** for *Tree in the Palouse* Ken Vander Putten won two **Honorable Mentions** for **Yellowstone** Fox and Maasai Schoolhouse.

### **Large Monochrome Division:**

Jeff Lane won **2nd Place** for **The Raven** 

Michael Hrankowski won **Honorable Mention** for *The Embrace* **Small Print Division:** 

Jack Broom really cleaned up with 1st Place and People's Choice for For the Nest. He also took 2nd Place for Heron Sees Something plus Honorable Mentions for *Metal Garden Hose* and *After the Rain*.

# **Traveling Image Salon**

Jeff Lane won Honorable Mention for Harrier and Short Eared Owl

### **Open Digital Salon**

Chris Currie won Best of Landscape for Old Barn Michael Hrankowski won Best of People for Boy on a Bus Les Rawlings won Honorable Mention for The Extravagance of St. Mark's Basilica.

### **Digital Slideshow Competition**

Les Rawlings won The Rix Showcase Award for Best in Show for A Contemplative Journey Across Japan.

### Congratulations to all of this year's winners!

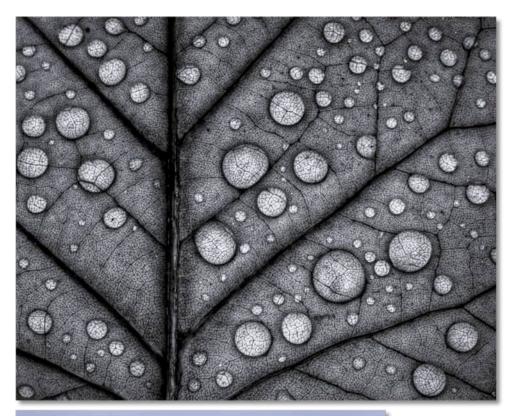
To see the entire list of winners as well as slideshows of the work, go to https://nwcameraclubs.org/2024-nwccc-competition-awards/



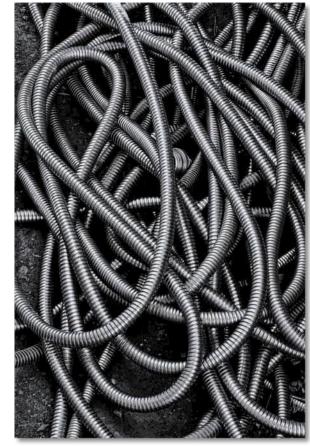
Ken Vander Putten Yellowstone Fox

Ken Vander Putten Maasai Schoolhouse





Jack Broom (clockwise from upper left) After the Rain Metal Garden Hose Heron Sees Something For the Nest







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# **Assignments in January 2025**

Digital: Reflections Print: Framing

For more information as well as the full list of assignments this coming year, go to <a href="https://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/d/24f6819a-7822-4e86-8ea7-d8522f8a7a06">https://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/d/24f6819a-7822-4e86-8ea7-d8522f8a7a06</a>

### **Useful Weblink**

It's a new year and if you've been thinking about a "photo a day" project, here's a good article on how to make it work: <a href="https://www.digitalcameraworld.com/tutorials/how-to-start-a-365-photography-project-and-stick-to-it">https://www.digitalcameraworld.com/tutorials/how-to-start-a-365-photography-project-and-stick-to-it</a>

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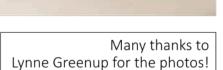




# 2024 Holiday Party

A wonderful time was had by all on our annual holiday party. Lauren Heerschap award slideshows that included many of our talented members plus the showing of Les Rawlings' Best of Show A Contemplative Journey Across Japan. We then pulled chairs into a circle and had a very fun white elephant gift exchange. Once again we raised money for the Edmonds and Lynnwood Food Banks. Between individual donations, a \$150 club match, and surplus funds from the dinner, we were able to raise \$875!





Happy Holidays



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