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InFocus



The Newsletter of the Puget Sound Camera Club



Lauren Heerschap
Water Painting (left)
Fishing Spider (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.

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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Message from the President

Hi all,

For those of you who knew Bob Joiner, a long time member of PSCC, I'm sad to let you know he died recently. See the tribute to Bob on page 5 of this newsletter that Henry wrote.

Don't forget we change to Daylight Savings Time on March 8. That means we have more afternoon & evening time to get out and photograph the world.

Spring is almost here and with it time to start thinking about what images and prints you want to enter in the end of the year competition. In addition to the regular digital and print night entries there are the Ray Thorsteinson Photojournalism award and the Kovac award for creativity. Entries for these awards do not need to have been entered on digital or print nights. So as the weather warms up it's time to get out and do some street photography or get creative!

There will be some changes to the rules and categories this year. That will be emailed out before images and prints are due.

Voting on the Traveling Image Salon images will start this month and continue with a different club's images each month until mid-October. The information on accessing the images and ballots will be available on the website. Either Henry or I will send out an email soon with more specific information. Please remember to vote. You know I'll nag if you don't.

Chris Currie
PSCC President

Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC): www.pugetsoundcamera.com
Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC): www.nwcameraclubs.org
Photographic Society of America (PSA): psaphotoworldwide.org

February 2026 Digital Night Scores

Judges	Lynne Greenup Chris Currie Dave Patzwald
Commentators	Bill Royce Jack Broom Henry Heerschap
Assignment	"Bad" Weather

PC - People's Choice

HM - Honorable Mention

Assignments in March 2026

Digital: City Scene

Print: Winter

For more information as well as the full list of assignments, go to

<https://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/d/3102cbd3-5034-4e0a-8bf7-50108e30f5a3>

Category	Title	Maker	Score	Award
Assignment	South Dakota Tornado	Andy Royce	85.33	1st, PC
	Snow Storm	Mark Roehrig	84.33	2nd
	Incoming	Robert Rutkin	83.67	3rd
	White on White	Henry Heerschap	81.67	
	The White Foam Flew	Stan Matsui	81.67	
	Thunder at Fort Rock	James Seeb	81.00	
	Calm before the storm	Lisa Seeb	81.00	
	The Hike That Got Wet	Dan Scavezze	79.67	
	Storm over Summer Lake	James Seeb	74.67	
	Desolate Shores	Stan Matsui	71.00	
	Wyoming Storm	Jake Jacobson	70.33	
	The Power of Nature	Luke Angelis	69.67	
	Sunbreak and Mirror	Karen Jacobson	69.00	
	A Very Humid Morning	Linda Charboneau	67.67	
Last Sunlight	Robert Rutkin	64.33		
Creative/Altered	Amethyst and Emerald	Henry Heerschap	89.33	1st, PC
	Frozen Water on Rocks	JoDee Owens	80.00	2nd
	A Foggy Morning	Laura Martinez	77.67	3rd
Creatures	Fishing Spider	Lauren Heerschap	90.50	1st
	Minding The Nest	Michael Hrankowski	88.67	2nd
	Female Scarlet Rumped Tanager	Jeff Lane	87.00	PC, 3rd
	Hot Pursuit	Charles Dodd	86.00	
	Male Iguana Mid Shake	Jeff Lane	86.00	
	Dinner Time	Laura Martinez	85.00	
	Maximum Cormorants	Jack Broom	84.67	
	Frosty Heron	Charles Dodd	83.33	
	Brown Pelican, Puerto Vallarta	David Scarcliff	82.00	
	Australian Raven	Dave Patzwald	81.67	
	My Rock!	Lisa Seeb	81.67	
	Magnificent Frigatebird- Adult	David Scarcliff	76.00	
	Australian Blue Fairy Wren	Dave Patzwald	75.67	
	Lemur Family	Linda Charboneau	75.00	
	Goldfinch Among the Sunflowers	Lynne Greenup	75.00	
	Excuse Me	Marci Angelis	74.67	
Cygnets Trumpeter Glides into the Golden Hour.	Bob Sotak	74.00		
Roma Seagull	Jake Jacobson	72.67		
Northern Harrier on Golden Hour Hunt	Bill Ray	70.33		
Monochrome	Thomas	Michael Hrankowski	90.33	1st, PC
	Gate Lanthanum Detail	Les Rawlings	88.33	2nd
	Frosty Bison on a Yellowstone Winter Morning	Bob Sotak	86.00	3rd
	Jersey Shore	Leonard Vaughn	82.67	
	High Noon	Leonard Vaughn	82.33	
	New Orleans Guitar Player	Bill Royce	82.00	
	A Lodge With A View	Dan Scavezze	80.00	
	Lone Bison	Bill Ray	77.67	
Canyonland	Attila Laszlo	74.33		
Open	Northern Lights Dance Over Edmonds	Lynne Greenup	88.33	1st, PC
	Doc	Bill Royce	84.67	2nd

February 2026
Digital Night Scores
 (continued from previous page)

Category	Title	Maker	Score	Award
Open	Surface Decay	Karen Jacobson	84.33	3rd
	Crocus are Blooming in January!	Andy Royce	83.33	
	Bryce Canyon Sunrise	Attila Laszlo	83.33	
	Water Painting	Lauren Heerschap	80.67	
	Alutao warriors--ready to fight?	Klaus Lorenz	78.67	
	Lower Wallace Falls	Jack Broom	78.00	
	The Phoenix	Luke Angelis	77.67	
	Snow Moon	Mark Roehrig	77.00	
	I am Pleased to Meet You .	Klaus Lorenz	76.33	
	Shitenno-ji Sacred Tree	Les Rawlings	76.33	
Riding High in the Fjord	JoDee Owens	76.00		

February 2026
Print Night Scores

Judges	Dan Scavezze Chris Currie Henry Heerschap
Assignment	Stripes

PC-C - People's Choice Color
PC-M - People's Choice Monochrome

Category	Title	Maker	Score	Award
Assignment	Random Stripes	Henry Heerschap	91	1st
	Industrial Sunrise	Dan Scavezze	89	2nd
	Ramp Shadows	Lauren Heerschap	88	3rd
	Where's the Trash	Luke Angelis	88	3rd
	Streaker	Mark Roehrig	87	
	Rue di Rivoli, Afternoon	Karen Jacobson	84	
Creative/Altered	Hot Coffee	John Oetjens	94	1st
	Water, Smoke, and Flame	John Oetjens	92	2nd, PC-C
	Electric Bloom	Marci Angelis	92	2nd
	Pines and Aspens	Dan Scavezze	91	3rd
	Rainbow Helices	Lauren Heerschap	89	
Creatures	Turquoise Browed Mot Mot	Jeff Lane	90	1st
	Black Headed Trogon	Jeff Lane	89	2nd
	Fred the Sloth	Jeff Lane	89	2nd
	Spawning Trout	Jake Jacobson	87	3rd
	Butterfly and Hibiscus	Lauren Heerschap	87	3rd
	Keeping an Eye Out for Osprey	Henry Heerschap	85	
Monochrome	Bristlecone Pine	Henry Heerschap	93	1st
	Cross: Hill 112	Jake Jacobson	90	2nd
	View from the Spheres	John Oetjens	90	2nd, PC-M
	Curling	Wilie Wellington	87	3rd
	Clandestine	Wilie Wellington	86	
Open	Reflections on Yellowstone Lake	Dan Scavezze	91	1st
	Reflection of love	Luke Angelis	90	2nd
	Can't Sit Here	Karen Jacobson	85	3rd
	Tourist	Wilie Wellington	85	3rd

Remembering Bob Joiner

Bob Joiner passed away this last week. Bob was a PSCC member for over 20 years and served several terms as club president. Bob will be remembered as an enthusiastic club “booster” as well as someone eager to help new photographers get comfortable with their hobby.

Bob was an active member of Maplewood Presbyterian Church and helped the club relocate there after losing their previous meeting space. Bob recruited club members to do photographic projects for the church as a thank you for their hospitality. One example that stands out to me was when a group of developmentally disabled adults had a Halloween party. The organizers wanted portraits of the participants in their costumes. Bob asked several of us to come with our cameras and lights and provide them with high quality photos. It was a fun time and a huge success.

Bob was unafraid of new technology. He was an early adapter of digital and embraced the possibilities that tools like Photoshop Elements brought to the hobby. He enjoyed showing off his creations and showing others how he made them.

Bob organized education events for the club. One Saturday we did an all-day event with a variety of classes taught by different club members. Everyone enjoyed it. More recently, Bob’s health prevented him from participating as much as he would have liked but he did check in from time to time. He will be missed.



Bob passing around a paper (!) copy of InFocus



Bob opening a gift at our annual white elephant exchange. We all knew to save the gift bags and bows for Bob to reuse!

A sampling of Bob's work
(Clockwise from upper left)

Alien Portrait

Hot Angels

Orbit

Magenta Abstract

Inside Hot Air Balloon

Club, Council, PSA Competitions. What's the Difference?

Members of the Puget Sound Camera Club participate in a number of competitions beyond the monthly Digital and Print Nights.

Puget Sound Camera Club

The PSCC has several Year End Competitions. Our competition year is defined as May through April.

We have a Digital Year End competition limited to images entered at our monthly meetings during the last year. Minor revisions are allowed. You are allowed three entries.

The Print Year End competition is similar to the Digital competition. Entries must have been entered at a monthly meeting but minor revisions are allowed.

In addition to these two, we have several other annual competitions: photojournalism, creativity, monochrome prints. Entries for these need not have been entered before.

More information can be found [here](#).

Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC)

The PSCC belongs to the NWCCC, a group of 13 camera clubs in the Puget Sound area from Olympia to Bellingham. The NWCCC has several annual competitions:

The Traveling Image Salon (TIS) is a club competition where members submit images to a club director. Those images are grouped onto an NWCCC web page and shared with other clubs for judging. At the end of the competition year, the votes are compiled across all of the clubs and awards are given to the most popular images. Voting has just begun for the 2026 TIS.

The Open Print Salon is a print competition open to all members of NWCCC-affiliated clubs, including the PSCC. Members can submit up to three color prints and three monochrome prints. Those are collected by the club Print Director and sent on to the NWCCC Print Directors. The prints are then taken to a group of judges to determine awards.

The Open Digital Salon is organized similarly to the Print Salon. NWCCC-affiliated club members submit up to four digital images through an online

form on the NWCCC website. The images are collected by the council Digital Director and sent on to a group of outside judges for final awards. Entries submitted to the Traveling Image Salon cannot be entered in the Open Digital Salon in the same year.

The Digital Slideshow Competition allows affiliated club members to submit slideshows of images grouped around a theme. There are two categories: Photo Essay and Travel Essay. The Digital Director sends these along to outside judges as well.

More information about the NWCCC competitions can be found at:

<https://nwcameraclubs.org/competitions/>

Note that the rules are from last year and may be subject to change for 2026. The three individual competitions usually open in August with the images due by October 1. An announcement will be made when they open.

Photographic Society of America (PSA)

The club also belongs to the Photographic Society of America (PSA) and participates in several interclub competitions including Open, Monochrome, and Travel. Three times a year, PSCC PSA representative Dave Patzwald collects entries from club members and sends them in. The images are judged by other clubs and points and awards are given. Results as well as our club's standing is announced by Dave as soon as he is notified.

More information can be found at:

<https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/interclub-overview>

The PSA also has a number of other competitions for individual PSA members. There are also competitions that are PSA-sanctioned such as the International Exhibition of Photography at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup. Acceptances in those competitions can go toward recognition points for PSA members though you don't have to be a member to enter.

Note that entering an image in a PSCC competition doesn't affect its eligibility in NWCCC or PSA competitions or vice versa.

Other

Club members often submit work to local art fairs such as the Edmonds Arts Festival, the Kenmore Art Show, and the Arts of the Terrace show in Mountlake Terrace. These are shows for individual artists and are not directly supported by PSCC, NWCCC, or PSA.



Jake Jacobson
(clockwise from upper left)
Wyoming Storm
Roma Seagull
Cross Hill 112
Spawning Trout





Dave Patzwald ***Australian Blue Fairy Wren***

Bill Ray ***Lone Bison***



Bill Ray
Northern Harrier
on Golden Hour Hunt

Dave Patzwald
Australian Raven





Mark Roehrig *Streaker*



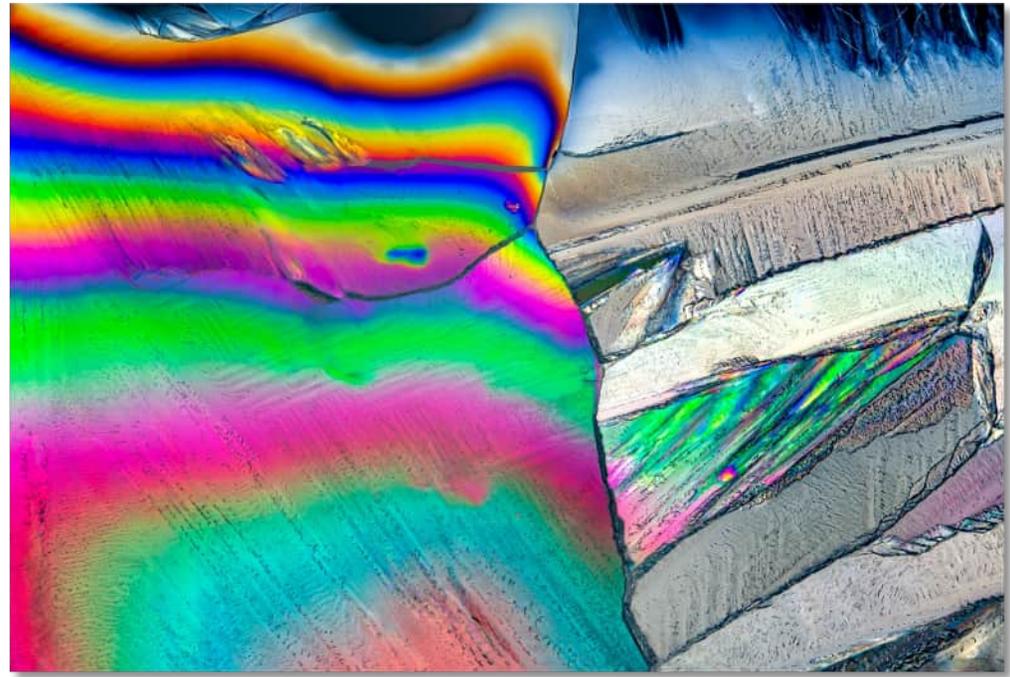
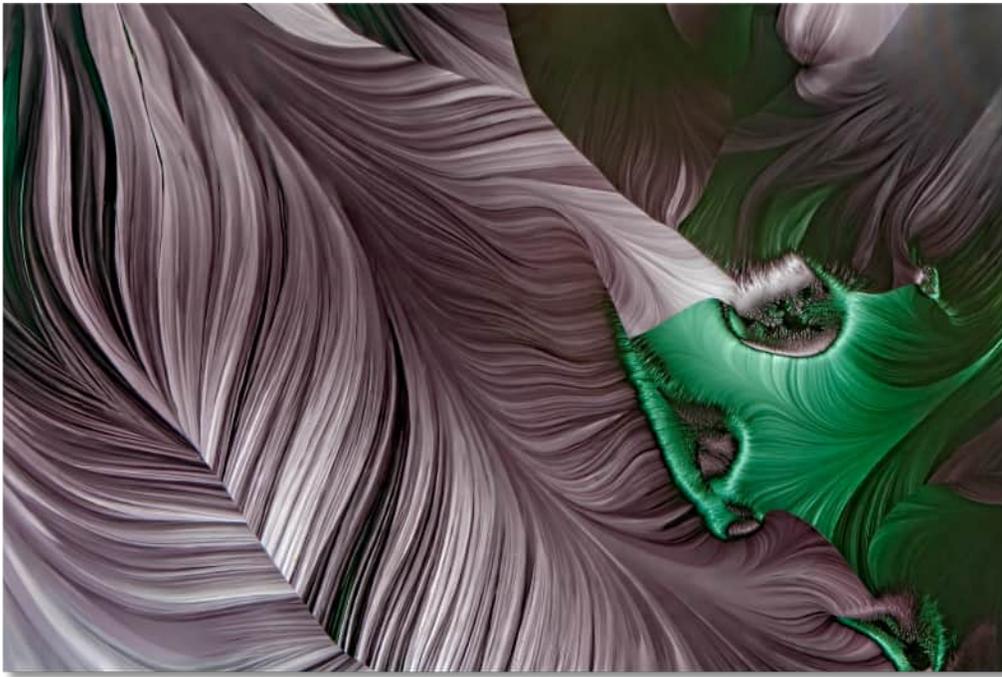
Laura Martinez *A Foggy Morning*

Mark Roehrig *Snow Storm*



Mark Roehrig *Snow Moon*

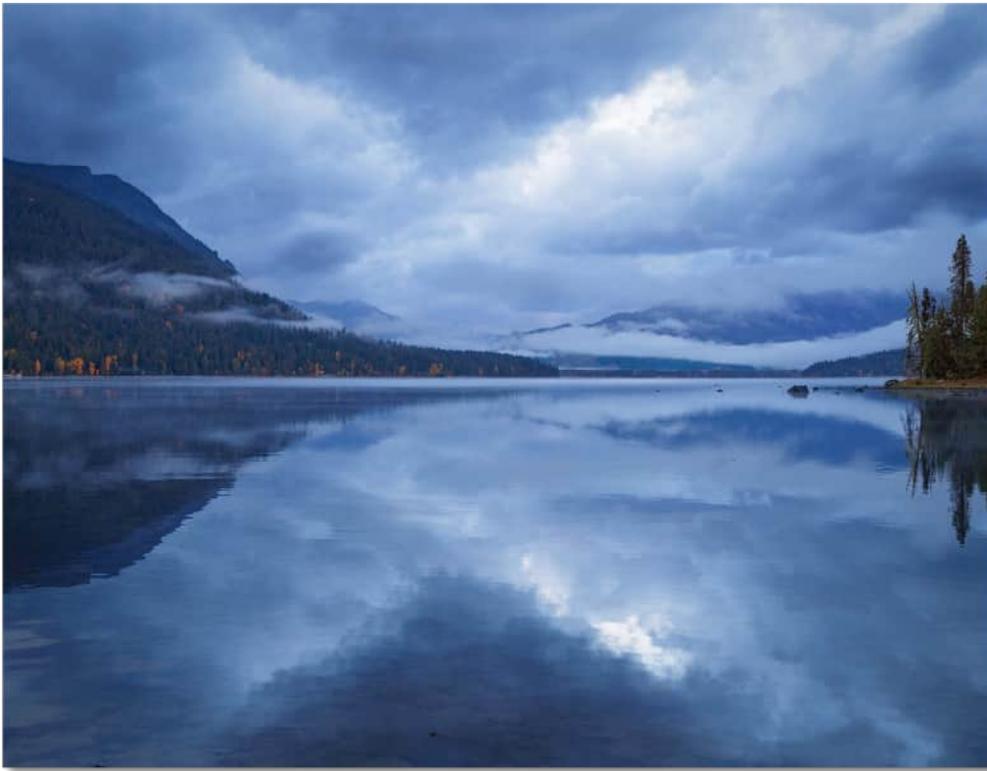




Henry Heerschap
(Clockwise from upper left)

- Amethyst and Emerald***
- Random Stripes***
- Keeping an Eye Out for Osprey***
- Bristlecone Pine***
- White on White***





Lisa Seeb *Calm Before the Storm*



Stan Matsui *The White Foam Flew*

Stan Matsui *Desolated Shores*



James Seeb *Storm over Summer Lake*





Klaus Lorenz *I Am Pleased to Meet You*



Michael Hrankowski *Thomas*



Bill Royce *Doc*

Wilie Wellington *Curling*



Wilie Wellington *Clandestine*





Luke Angelis
(Clockwise from upper left)
Where's the Trash
Reflection of Love
The Phoenix
The Power of Nature





Robert Rutkin ***Last Sunlight***



Andy Royce ***South Dakota Tornado***

James Seeb ***Thunder at Fort Rock***



Robert Rutkin ***Incoming***





Les Rawlings **Gate Lanthanum Detail**



Leonard Vaughn **Jersey Shore**



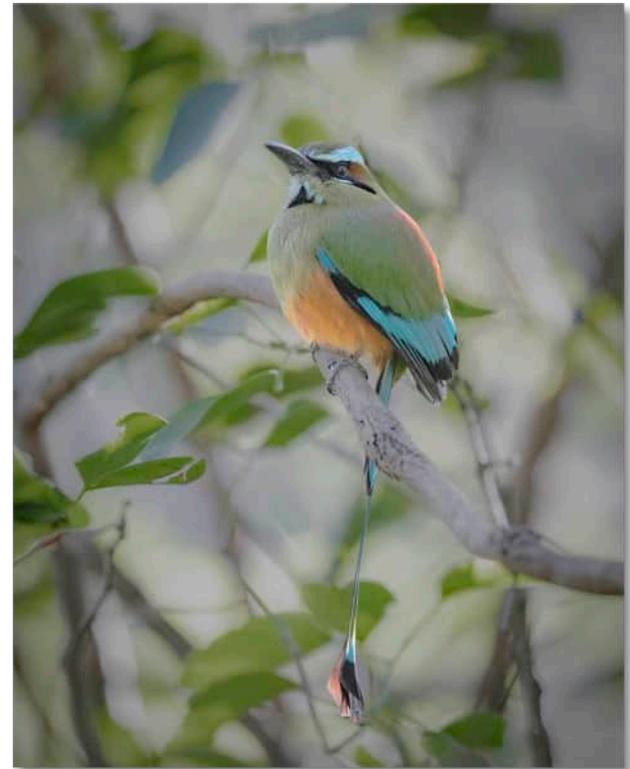
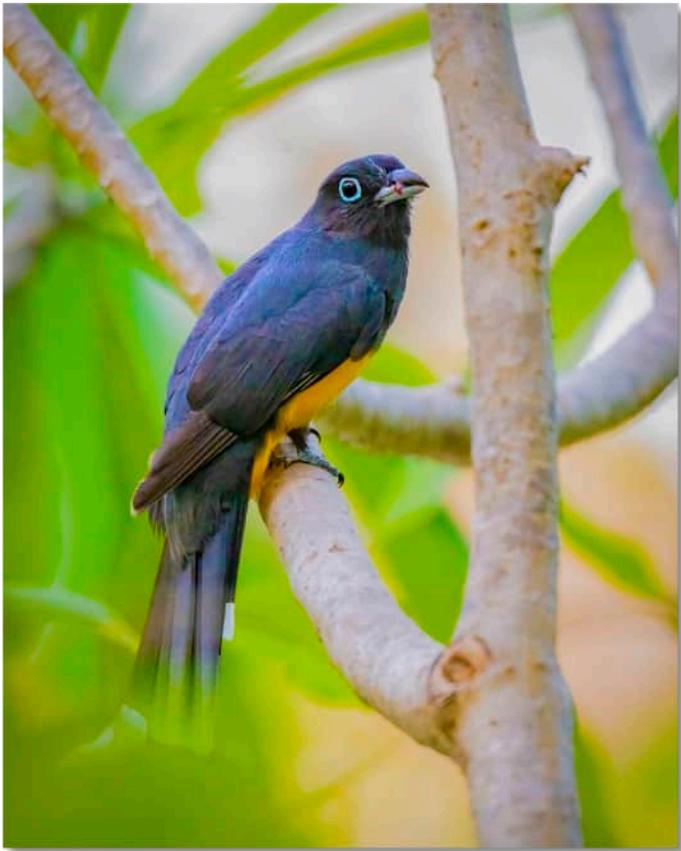
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Attila Laszlo **Canyonland**



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Dan Scavezze

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Laura Martinez **Dinner Time**



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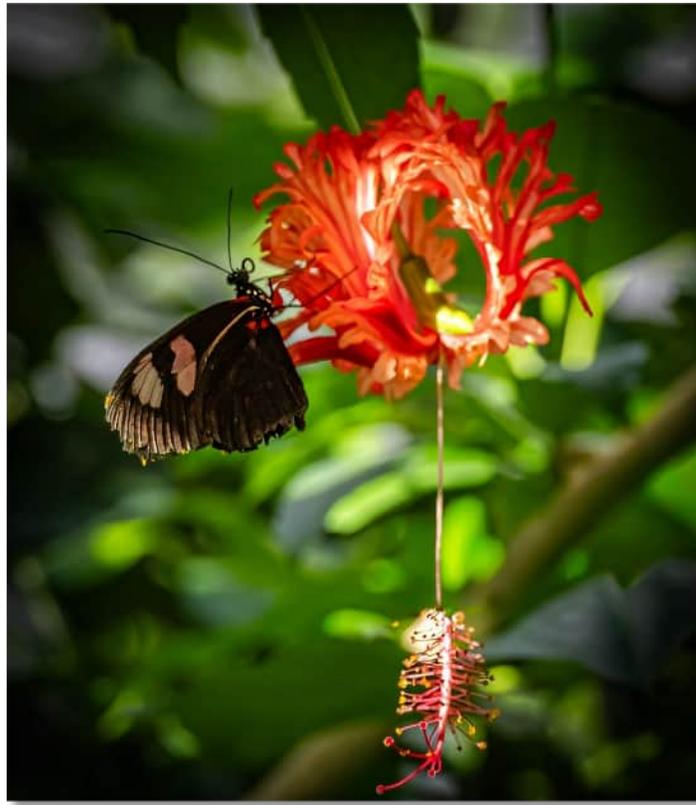


Chip Dodd
Frosty Heron





Wilie Wellington **Tourist**



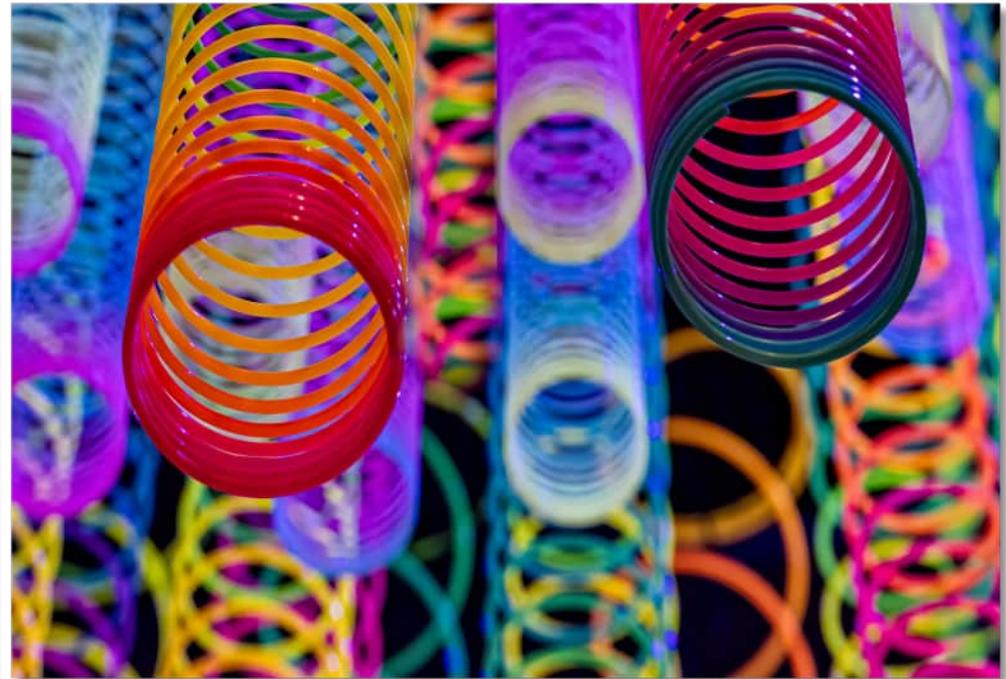
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Lauren Heerschap **Ramp Shadows**

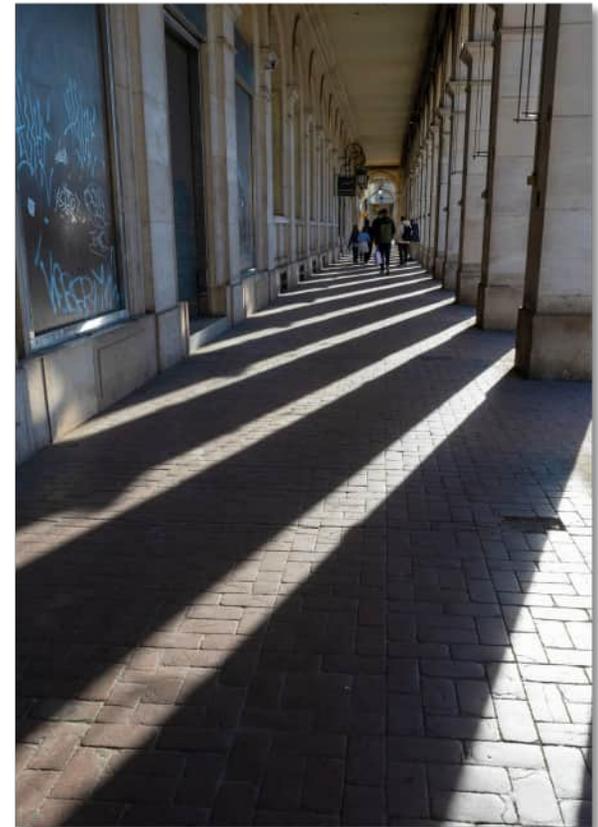
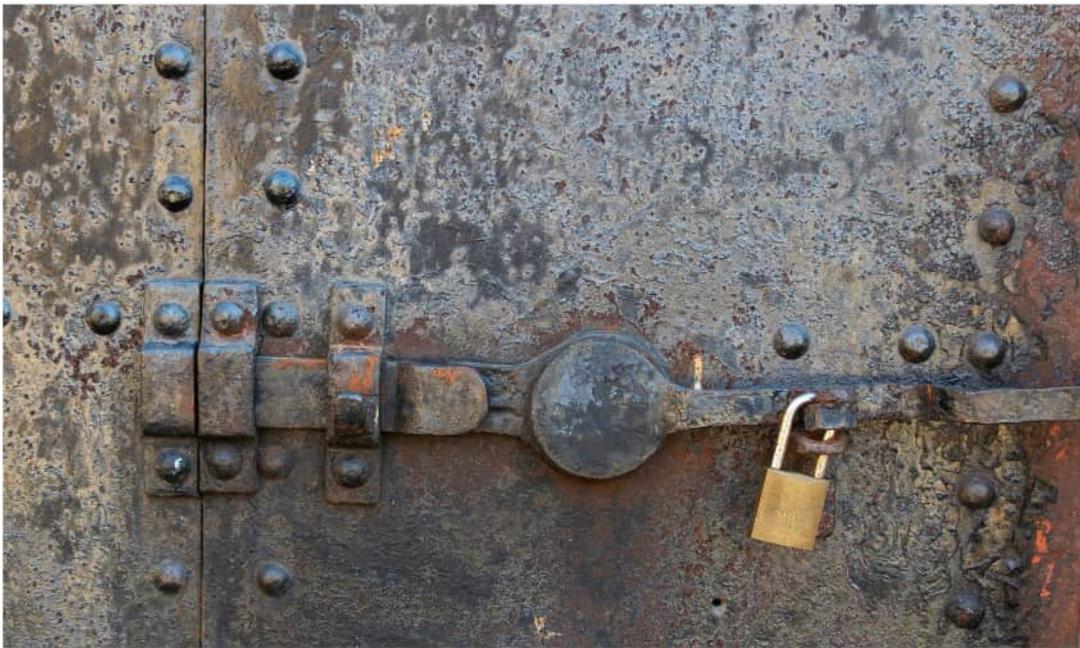
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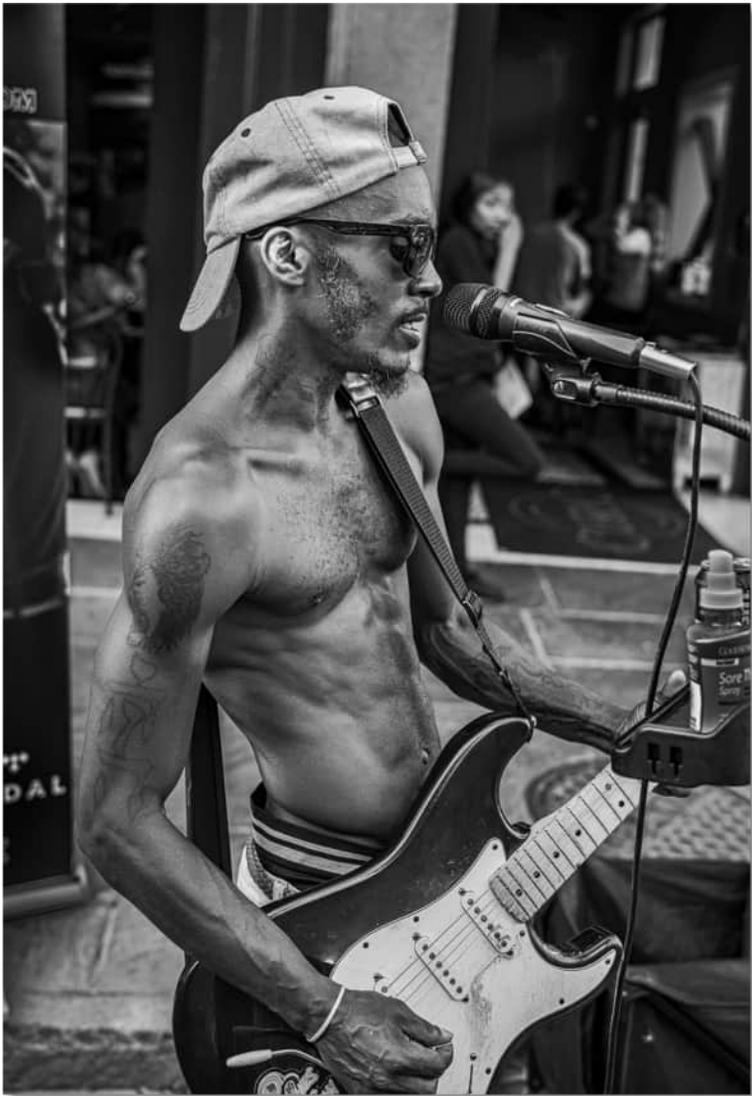
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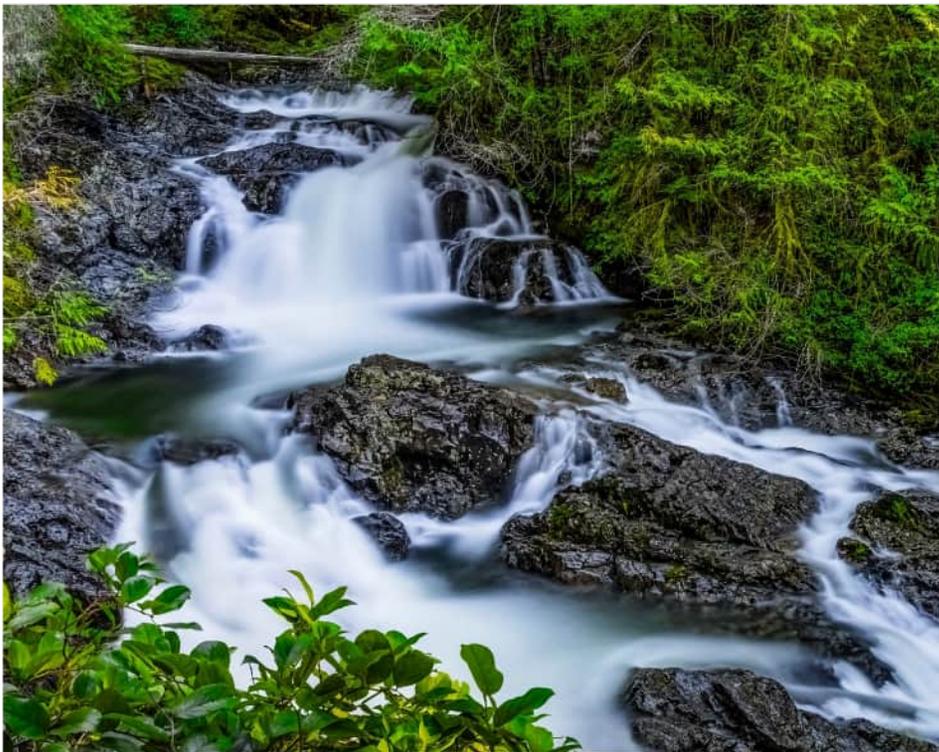


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How To Register for a PSCC Field Trip or Educational Presentation

Lauren Heerschap, Vice President

1. Go to pugetsoundcamera.com. If you are a member you should be signed in, and your name will be on the top right corner of the home page of the website.
2. Click on Current News tab.
3. Click on Click Here for Club Calendar. A calendar will appear. The Education nights and Field trips will be on the Events Calendar. Use the upper left of the calendar > arrow to move the dates forward.
4. Click on an event. Note: Some events don't require registration but are listed for members general information. Form your own trip with friends is this option.
5. Click on the "Registration Information Button" if registration is required.
6. Click on "Confirm Registration Request". You are now registered for that event. Click on Return to return to the description.
7. You can add this event to your calendar by clicking on "Add this event to your personal calendar" or printing this page. You may need to consult your calendar software to learn more about how to import this ICS file.

PSCC Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 16, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Online (hosted by Chris Currie)

Attendance

- Chris Currie
- Lauren Heerschap
- Henry Heerschap
- Lynne Greenup
- Dan Scavezze
- Yvonne Shimek
- Daniel Grundel

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM.

Acceptance of Previous Minutes

- Motioned and accepted.

President's Report

- Thanks to Henry and Dave for posting PSA inter-club competition due dates on the website.
- Karen Jacobson agreed to serve on the nominating committee. Committee members are Lauren, Jack, and Karen.
- Positions up for election this year: President, Secretary, Membership Director, and Print Director.
 - President and Secretary must be replaced.
 - Lynne will remain as Membership Director.
 - Henry will remain as Print Director.

Vice President's Report

- Upcoming field trips reviewed (see agenda).
- A member requested help understanding how to sign up for field trips on Visual Pursuits.
 - Lauren will write instructions for inclusion in the newsletter, and Chris will send the instructions to the club via email.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance: \$3,844.17.

- Payment from SPS for half of the Tony Sweet presentation has not yet been received; Lauren will follow up.
- Insurance invoice received from Chris; payment has been sent.
- Annual audit is in progress.

Unfinished Business

Palouse Field Trip

- Status uncertain; Jack has not been responding.

Traveling Image Salon

- Participation was strong; everyone who entered had at least two images included in the competition.

Year-End Awards

- Henry will add the monochrome category.
- He will draft rules for entry and send them to the board.

New Business

PSA Interclub Process

- Motion: The PID competition will be set up as a separate competition within Visual Pursuits. That is where people will send their photos for the PID competition. The PSA representative will use those photos that have been submitted into the competition in Visual Pursuits. It is the responsibility of the PSA representative to contact people who have submitted photos (whether they are used or not) and keep them informed as to their status.
- Motion approved unanimously.

Other Items

- Lauren will pick up small paper plates at Costco if a good deal is available.
- Lynne noted that several memberships are lapsing and have not yet been renewed.

Next Meeting

March 16, 2026 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM.