



Member LexArts

Gustavo Alfaro
Nov 20, 7.00 pm

See the Light

Gustavo Alfaro is a local photographer with an international following, having published his work in well-known fitness and glamour magazines.

Gustavo's website states the following:

When asked about his style Gustavo says, "It isn't so much me and what I do as I just point my camera and click while they do what they do. I just get lucky. I push their limits physically so I can push myself photographically. My friends do not want photos that are bland and boring. They want photographs that document how they got to where they are and what they do to maintain their amazing physiques."

Gustavo's most recent and most notable accolade was being named as one of the top 100 fitness photographers in the US and Canada by Status Fitness Magazine in 2012. "I just cannot believe it! It is such a huge honor and so humbling to have my name on a list with the country's best fitness photographers. Those are the artists I look up to!" In addition to photographing his clients, Gustavo is an educator that shares his knowledge with most anyone that asks! "It is an art. All art is meant to be shared. There are no secrets to what I or anyone else does. We only make things better by sharing knowledge. I remember what it was like stating out. I hope I can give someone else the guidance that I looked for as a beginner."

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Coming up

- Dec 16 – Christmas Party @ Fasig Tipton
- Jan 3 – Print Show Drop Off at Downtown Arts Center (DAC) across from the Library
- Jan 8 – Club Meeting & club voting at DAC
- Jan 16 – Gallery Hop (we are responsible for finger foods for the public to consume. Last year over 1,000 people attended our Hop)

Get those recipes ready – gather in the chocolate delights. Find the perfect confection or cheese ball and ready it for the Christmas Party.

Everyone is reminded to bring finger foods – that is stuff for which no utensils are needed to nosh upon it. Every year we are astounded by the quantity and quality of the delights that are brought to share. I can't wait to see what this year holds.

Details will be provided in the December newsletter.

Join us - all Club Meetings at 7.00 pm
Crestwood Christian Church
1882 Bellefonte Dr, Lexington, KY 40503

First Thursday

First Thursday won't meet again in 2014. We'd like everyone to come out for the annual Christmas Party at Fasig Tipton, 2400 Newtown Pike, 7.00pm. If you have never attended this event, you've missed a great time. We get to share in each another's culinary delights, review digital images submitted through the year and enjoy some fabulous slide-shows. We won't be presenting any awards at this year's party; that will be reserved for 2015 once we've opened the Print Show.

Our next meeting will be in February 2015. We have asked Dave Perry to return for another challenge of **"Tell a Story in Three Photos or Less"**.

This is not a competition and it does not count for anything other than bragging rights. We are going to handle submissions in a similar fashion to a competition, though, so Dave will have a chance to review our work prior to the Feb 5 meeting.

Those who wish to participate should size their photos the same way they do for club competitions (no more than 1920 pixels wide 1080 pixels high).

They need to be JPEG files. File names need to start with the number indicating and the order for the story (1, 2, or 3) and the name of the photographer (ie. 1_Member.jpg).

Send your submissions to
first.thursday.ccc@gmail.com

The submission deadline is 11:50 p.m. on Sunday Feb. 1. We had 16 participants in October; let's see if we can break 20

Our March 2015 meeting will be the annual Gear Petting Zoo. More about that in the next newsletter.

And the Winner is ...

VP Report of Competition Scores

Contest Date: October 16, 2014
Topic: State and National Parks

Advanced-Color		(19 Entries)
1st	John Snell	
2nd	Robert Johnson	
3rd	Tom Myers	
HM	Tom Myers	
Intermediate-Color		(16 Entries)
1st	Parham Baker	
2nd	William Adams	
3rd	Robert Bentley	
HM	Jan McKinney	
Beginner-Color		(24 Entries)
1st	Lana Yeary	
2nd	Laura Harris	
3rd	Sue Beard	
HM	Gary Williams	
Advanced-Black & White		(5 Entries)
1st	Roger Ballard	
2nd	Randy Dinkins	
3rd	Steve Bromley	
HM	Roger Ballard	
Intermediate-Black & White		(2 Entries)
1st	William Adams	
Beginner-Black & White		(4 Entries)
1st	Arun Sankaranarayanan	
2nd	Lana Yeary	
3rd	Carolyn Nichols	
High School-Black & White		(0 Entries)
Youth-Black & White		(0 Entries)

Getting Out & About

Gallery Hop Friday November 21

Several club members are displaying at various venues this week. Go forth and find them. It will be well worth your time.

Pine Mountain Photography Weekend January 23-25, 2015

Our own John Snell will be the speaker for the annual photography weekend at Pine Mountain State Resort Park. The format will be a familiar one, with lectures on Friday and Saturday evenings, a photography competition taking place on Saturday, then judging and announcement of competition winners on Sunday morning. The weekend will wrap up at noon Sunday.

Although the event is not yet on the park's website, go ahead and mark your calendars. And it might be a good idea to go ahead and reserve your room, either online

(<http://parks.ky.gov/parks/resortparks/pine-mountain/reservations.aspx>) or by phone ([606-337-3066](tel:606-337-3066)). If making reservations online, it is recommended you use Internet Explorer or Chrome. For some technical reason, Firefox is not recommended.

If you have any questions, check with John ([859-254-1929](tel:859-254-1929)). Come on down and have a great time!

From Don Mills

Members' 2015 CCC dues are payable January 1st. Please feel free to complete and use the attached registration form to pay your dues early and avoid the last-minute rush

Remember that attendance at six club events as a paid club member is necessary in order to enter the print show. Please email Don Mills at dbmills@setel.com to find out if you have satisfied the attendance requirement and are eligible for this year's print show which will actually be in January.

As I look out the window at all the lovely snow it occurs to me that it might be appropriate to include the standard winter blurb about club meetings not being held if the Fayette County Schools are closed due to weather conditions. Even if it clears up by the time the meeting starts – it just makes it less confusing. No school, no club.



"Two Snowy Leaves" courtesy of John Snell

Print Show Need to Know

The Annual Print Competition and Exhibition for 2014 will actually take place in early 2015 during the months of January-February. Prints are to be turned in between 10a.m. and noon on Saturday, January 3rd on the 2nd floor of the Downtown Arts Center, located at 141 East Main Street in Lexington. Late entries will not be accepted.

Prints must be in a **simple metal frame with glass**. The maximum glass size cannot exceed 384 square inches, which is equivalent to 16"x24". Other combinations of height and width may be used, as long as the longest side does not exceed 36" and the total square inches of the glass is not greater than 384 square inches.

All prints **must be wired securely** and ready to hang. We will not accept prints that do not have a wire on the back. It is preferred that the prints be matted, but not required.

There are 11 competition categories, with a color and a black & white sub-category for each. The definition for each category is as follows:

- A) Fauna – Any photo with animals or animal life as the primary subject.
- B) Flora – Any photo with plants or plant life as the primary subject.
- C) Still Life – The depiction of inanimate objects such as food, flowers (dried, cut or artificial), shells, bottles, glasses, books, etc. photographed in a studio or in the field. The photographer has control of the arrangement of objects.
- D) Natural Pictorial – Natural objects must be the focal point. No evidence of man-made activities or objects shall be permitted.
- E) Hand of Man Pictorial – Man-made objects must be the focal point. Natural objects may be included as minor elements.

F) Portrait – A photograph primarily of a person, especially of the face. i.e., a description, portrayal, etc., of a person.

G) Abstract – An image that does not depict objects realistically but rather in patterns or forms of lines, masses, or colors. These abstract characteristics of the image must be produced during the action of taking the photograph in-camera, and not through techniques implemented during post-processing.

H) Sports – Any recreational activity.

I) Photo-Journalism – Story-telling photographs of "Man and Man's Environment." This category includes documentary, contemporary life, illustrative, sports, news and human interest. Special emphasis is given to life in our world.

J) Architecture – Any man-made building or structure or part thereof.

K) Wild Card - The Executive Committee may elect to establish one wild card category for any Annual Print Show and Competition. A wild card category may be in addition to the categories set forth above. The subject and conditions governing any wild card category shall be announced to the general membership not later than the July newsletter preceding the Annual Print Show and Competition.

(Note: 'Wild Card' for the print show taking place in **January-February, 2015** is "Creative," which is defined as "An image whose origin is a photograph (or photographs) captured in-camera, then manipulated digitally in image editing software without limitation. Included will be images manipulated using creative filters provided in Photoshop or via various 3rd party plug-ins, composite images representing the combining of two or more photographs and images resulting from the use of "actions" within the digital image processing step that may morph the original image(s) into something that bears little resemblance to the original.")

Jan	2	Pick up Prints	Jul	3	First Thursday
	9	Camera Petting Zoo		17	Tom Fielder
	16	Henry Dietz -			
Feb	6	Preparing Competition Images	Aug	7	Paul Briggs
	16	Competition Submission CLOSSES		17	Competition Submission CLOSSES
	20	Dean Hill		21	Competition: Boats
		Competition - Members Choice			
	21	Gallery Hop			
Mar	6	Print Workshop (members only)	Sept	4	Lighting on the Cheap
	20	Guy Mendez		18	Mary Rezny
	29	Basics Workshop (Clark Co Library)			
Apr	3	First Thursday	Oct	2	Three Photo Stories
	13	Competition Submission CLOSSES		12	Competition Submission CLOSSES
	17	Competition: Rusty		16	Competition: State and National Parks
	18	Gallery Hop			
May	1	First Thursday	Nov	1	Gallery33
	15	Bill Fortney		6	Printing and Displaying Images
				20	Gustavo Alfaro – Studio Lighting
				21	Gallery Hop
Jun	5	Arboretum Walkabout	Dec	16	Christmas Party - Fasig Tipton
	15	Competition Submission CLOSSES			
	19	Competition: Birds			
	20	Gallery Hop			

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