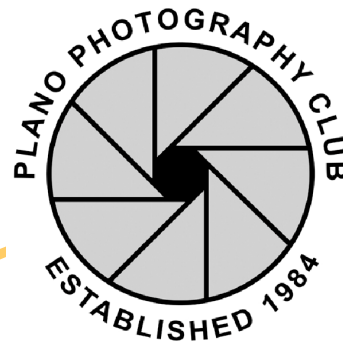


# The FLASH!

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Newsletter of the Plano (Texas) Photography Club

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## BEST OF SHOW: *TAKEN* - BY JAMIE HILBIG

Two of the many pleasures in my life are photography and cooking. As I was preparing to dice tomatoes for a salad one evening, my photographic interest was sparked by the round tomatoes and their angular pointy sepals. I took the vine and tomatoes into a room where I keep a photography setup ready. I used natural light from a north facing window. The light reflection seemed a bit harsh on the tomatoes, so I used a reflector to soften it. My camera was on a tripod with the ISO speed set at 100, exposure time 1.00 sec., F-Stop 14 and focal length 70mm. Needless to say, supper that evening was a bit late.

Jamie Hilbig

## Club Logo Contest Extended

The contest for a new club logo has been extended until the end of August. Please see the contest web site for full details.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

**August 21<sup>st</sup>** – Pug Mark Park. Meet at Whataburger at about 6:15 AM for breakfast and talk. At about 7:15 we caravan to Pug Mark Park, which takes about 15 minutes. The shoot lasts about 2 hours. The refuge has two tigers and one lioness. To get to Whataburger, take US 75 to exit 40A and go about 1/4 mile. To signup or if you have any other questions, please e-mail John Yates at [johnyatesphoto@planophotographyclub.com](mailto:johnyatesphoto@planophotographyclub.com).

**September 11<sup>th</sup>** – Historic Gainesville, TX is full of beautiful historic homes, churches, and Camp Howze. All of the homes and churches are in the historic area. It is within 4-5 small city blocks.

- Time: 8:30 AM – 3 PM (day trip).
- Cost: none, except for gas, food.
- Contact person: Thinh Nguyenphu at [activites@planophotographyclub.com](mailto:activites@planophotographyclub.com)

Meet at Morton Museum @ 8:30 AM. It is about 90 minutes from Plano (80 miles). The plan is the following:

- 1) Camp Howze
- 2) Photograph old, historic, 20th century architecture home, near Morton Museum.
- 3) Lunch at downtown Gainesville (12 – 1:30PM). There are local restaurants and pubs downtown.
- 4) Photograph old church in downtown Gainesville.

**September 25<sup>th</sup>** – Dallas Zoo

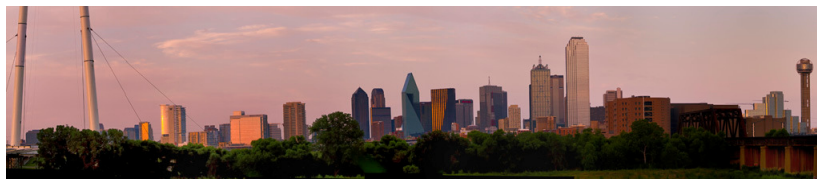
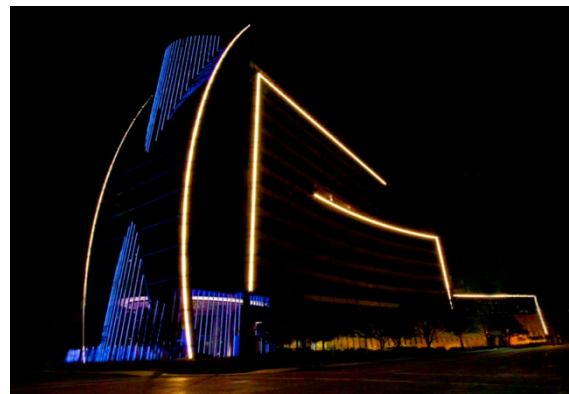
**October 2<sup>nd</sup>** (rain date October 16<sup>th</sup>) – Fall Outdoor Model Shoot. Arbor Hills Nature Preserve in west Plano. We will be using professional models and will require signup and payment of a fee. There will be a limited number of slots available.

**October 16<sup>th</sup>** – Introduction to Photography Workshop. Arbor Hills Nature Preserve in west Plano. This workshop is an opportunity for members to receive hands-on training in various concepts of photography from some of the best photographers in the club. We will be covering basic operation of your camera, rules of composition, aperture, shutter speed, ISO, white balance and other topics. If the model shoot is rained out on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and rescheduled for the 16<sup>th</sup>, we will reschedule this workshop. There will be future workshops covering work-flow and image manipulation.

**November 6<sup>th</sup>** – Fort Worth Botanical Gardens and the Amon Carter Museum to view the Ansel Adams exhibit.

**November** – Community Service Project. We need several volunteers to help with a photo shoot at a retirement home. We will be taking portraits of some of the residents and arrange to have prints made for them at cost. We need one light set in addition to the club's light set. We also need photographers and helpers familiar with portrait photography. This is not an open club event, rather, a community service project. Please let us know if you can help.

**February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011** – Joint Shoot/Scavenger Hunt with the Dallas Camera Club at Old City Place in south Dallas.



## SHOWCASE 2010

Plano Photography members are invited to exhibit two of their framed photographs in Showcase 2010, a juried show presented annually by the club. One of your photographs will be displayed at the Plano Centre from October 1st through November 30th. The other photograph will be exhibited at the Plano Courtyard Theatre from November 4th through February 4th, 2011.

Prints may be framed or flush mounted with a minimum outer dimension of 11" x 14", and a maximum of 24" x 36". The minimum actual image (print) size is 8" x 10". Entries must be wired to hang from a wall bracket system. The following information should be placed on the back of each entry: your name, title of your photograph, your email and/or your telephone number and the asking price of your image (or NFS if you do not want to sell our art). The deadline for submitting your prints is the September 27th meeting.

Volunteers are needed to help with the initial hanging on Friday October 1st at 9am at the Plano Centre and Thursday, November 4th at 9am at the Courtyard Theatre. If you would like to help or would like to make other arrangements for delivery of your prints, please contact Ed Auger at (972) 964-3383, or Jamie Hilbig at (972) 423-0793, or email them at [exhibits@planophotographyclub.com](mailto:exhibits@planophotographyclub.com).

## GUEST SPEAKER: *KELLY DELAY* - CLOUDS

Kelly Delay is web strategist/developer, open source supporter, search engine marketer, multimedia junkie, audio engineer, Stars fan, family man and resident of Dallas, Texas. This is the playground for showcasing his music, video, photography and odds and ends interspersed with social network updates.

Upcoming Speakers:

September: Sean Fitzgerald:  
*Photographing the Trinity River Flora and Fauna.*

October: Katherine Robinson: *Aftermath of Hurricane Ike.*

November: Eleanore Avery, Plano Photography Club Photographer of the year: *Images of Bhutan.*

## FLASHBACK

**March 1990** -- Ken and Tammy Guthrie became new members in February 1990. (Note-- Ken has served in every office including membership, and has organized model shoots ever since.)

Also in March 1990, The Flash reported that prints were on display at the Haggard Library, and at the grand opening of the Carpenter Park and Rec Center on Coit near Legacy. April's display was scheduled for the Plano Round-Up festival. (Note--Over the years, PPC displays were also held at the Collin Creek Mall, Willow Bend Mall, George's Frame Shop, the Balloon Festival, and of course the "Showcase" at the Municipal Center and Plano Centre.)

**June 1990** -- PPC Members have been assisting in setting up a darkroom for use by the general public, located in the new Carpenter Park and Rec Center on Coit. Some members will also be presenting various darkroom classes at the facility.

Cindy Vaillancourt - PPC Historian



The club thanks LIGHT TEC for their generous support. They have supplied studio lights to the club for shoots for several years. We encourage club members who need to rent lights or photographic equipment to visit them at [www.lighttec.com](http://www.lighttec.com) or call them at 214-350-8990.



## Winning Images: BEGINNERS

Stephen Finnerty	<b>POOLSIDE SIP</b>	1st	14
Jennifer Shannon	<b>BEST WAY TO KISS ON A HOT DAY</b>	2nd	13
Steve Wang	<b>BLOOMING</b>	3rd	12
David Forehand	<b>WHEN DODGE WAS COOL</b>	HM	11
Stephen Finnerty	<b>LOST CHORD</b>	HM	11



**STEVE WANG**



**JENNIFER SHANNON**



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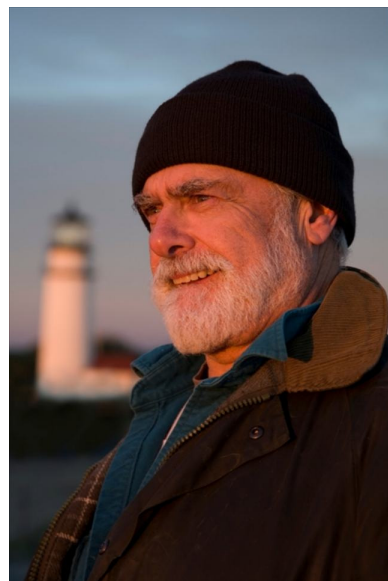
**DAVID FOREHAND**

## Winning Images: ADVANCED

David Philips	<b>LIGHTING UP THE NIGHT SKY</b>	1st	15
Marea Downey	<b>HARBORMASTER AT CAPE COD</b>	2nd	14
Peter Staxen	<b>DAY DREAMING CATALINA</b>	3rd	14
Ernie Tacsik	<b>BLONDE ON BLACK</b>	HM	13
Roger Boulanger	<b>TAXI WAITING</b>	HM	13
Willie Baker	<b>SATIN DOLL</b>	HM	13



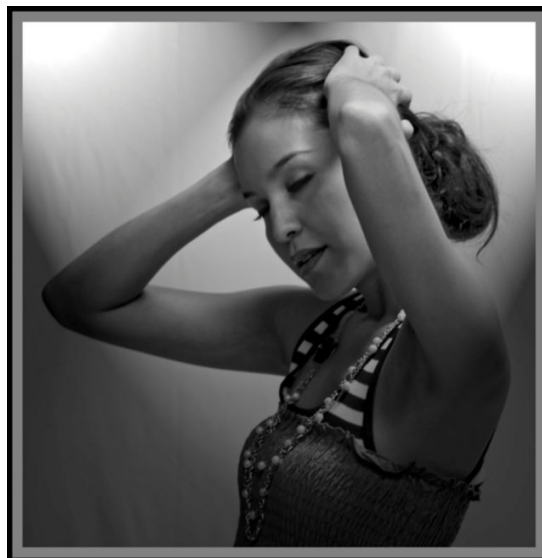
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## Winning Images: MASTERS

Jamie Hilbig	<b>TAKEN</b>	1st,BOS	15
Lois Lehman	<b>COLORS WAVE FOREVER</b>	2nd	14
Larry Petterborg	<b>BALD EAGLE, CALDWELL ZOO</b>	3rd	14
Dennis Fritsche	<b>TEXAS BAR-B-Q</b>	HM	14
John Lehman	<b>ON THE PROWL</b>	HM	13
Jose Artiles	<b>NUBIAN IBEX, FW Zoo</b>	HM	13



JOSE ARTILES



LARRY PETTERBORG



JOHN LEHMAN



DENNIS FRITSCHÉ



LOIS LEHMAN



## Message from the President: *Improving Your Skills*

It has been quite some time since the Plano Photography Club offered photography training and the Board is remedying that situation now. We have a volunteer to oversee the design of the program (or programs) and at least two eager volunteers to help. I am soliciting more volunteers to help. Most importantly, I am asking that you attend the sessions that you need to make your photography more enjoyable.

We know that there are people at all skill levels and with different learning needs. We will start with the basics and work up.

Stay tuned ... more to come.

Dennis Fritsche

ALL CONTEST SUBMISSIONS ARE ON AVAILABLE BY LOGGING ONTO THE CONTEST WEBSITE.

## COMPETITION STANDINGS

Photographer	Cumulative Place Points	Cumulative Judges' Points	Photographer	Cumulative Place Points	Cumulative Judges' Points
<i>ADVANCED</i>			<i>BEGINNERS</i>		
Peter Staxen	3	47	Steve Wang	9	38
Ernie Tacsik	0	44	Aimee Wilson	3	35
Carol Barlow	6	42	Ronnie Scaggs	10	32
Paul Spencer	3	42	Stephen Finnerty	10	25
Marea Downey	6	41	Jennifer Shannon	6	24
Bernard Pysz	0	41	David Forehand	0	21
Bill Boyd	0	40	Angie Garcia	0	20
Jean Karlik	0	39	Michael Losurdo Jr	0	15
Jerry Schlesinger	0	38	Farbod Dasty	0	7
Ron Hasty	0	38	Danny Fyffe	0	6
Roger Boulanger	10	37			
John Lovelace	0	36			
Jim Spencer	0	35			
Jennifer Carrick	0	33	<i>MASTERS</i>		
Sharlott Hasty	0	32	Dennis Fritsche	6	53
Ron Deage	0	29	Jamie Hilbig	11	48
David Philips	10	28	John Lehman	11	48
Willie Baker	0	24	Danette Volkmer	3	48
Gene Domingo	0	23	Russell McGuire	0	47
Lewis Sheriff	0	23	Eleanore Avery	0	46
Billy Erwin	0	22	Jose Artiles	0	46
Hal Mayfield	0	22	James Stover	0	45
Jim Shannon	0	19	Larry Petterborg	3	44
Svatava Strnad	0	19	Lois Lehman	6	26
Terri Rapp	0	19			
Linda Grigsby	0	18			

## **COMPETITION TOPICS BY MONTH**

August 2010: Open	April 2011: Open
September 2010: Photojournalism	May 2011: Planes, Trains and Automobiles
October 2010: Open (Print format)	June 2011: Open
November 2010: Reflections	July 2011: Shadows and Silhouettes
December 2010: No competition	August 2011: Open
January 2011: Cemeteries	September 2011: T.B.A.
February 2011: Open	October 2011: Open (Print format)
March 2011: Panoramic (Print format)	

## **ABOUT THE CLUB**

The club meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month (no meeting in December) at Grace Presbyterian Church, 4300 West Park Blvd in Plano. Visitors are welcome!

Officers meet at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month (no meeting in December) at Schimelpfenig Library, 5024 Custer Road in Plano.

*The club is a member of:*  
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Council (GSCCC) &  
Photographic Society of  
America (PSA)

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