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About SVNP

The Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers is an informal group of more than one hundred talented advanced amateur and professional photographers from the western suburbs of Boston, brought together by their passion for capturing the beauty and power of nature through photography.

The group was established in 1995, and regularly exhibits its members' work throughout eastern Massachusetts and on the Internet.

Meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Great Room in the Main House at Traditions Senior Living Facility, 10 Green Way, Wayland, Massachusetts.

Schedule of upcoming SVNP programs

March 10, 2011 Warren Bailey – Images of Yellowstone (rescheduled from Dec. 2010)

April and May – TBD

June 9, 2011 Mark Hopkins – Images of Ecuador and the Galapagos

July 14, 2011 Ed McGuirk – "Photographing New England's Fall Foliage"

If you have ideas for future programs, please contact Wayne Hall.

February Meeting Notes

Susan Majors presented her photography from her trip to Macedonia, Northern Greece, and Albania. From the Rhodfi Mountains, to monastaries, to poppy fields and footbridges, all the images were beautiful and vibrant. Minarets, as well as colorful buildings, stone cities, birds (peacocks, too), animals, and lots of beautiful wildflowers were also in abundance. Using only a Panasonic Lumix F2-35 for her images, Susan was a master in bringing that part of the world to life for us! Thanks a lot, Susan - we can't wait to see where you go next!

Tom Arnold also showed some photographs in order to get feedback on them for his current project "Reflections of Acton."

Don Sherman showed some photos of the coast of Italy, and Suzie MacKenzie showed some photos of ice formations.

Don also showed us a little about Fast Stone and Image Viewer, both slide show programs.

Announcements

Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers – Benefits of Membership

Now that we have migrated from our "paper plate" financing technique to a system of annual membership dues, your Steering Committee has agreed on the following list of benefits reserved for SVNP members:

SVNP members are entitled to the following:

- Exhibiting their work on SVNP's group website and/or having a link from the group website to their own personal photographic website
- Participating in SVNP group exhibits at no additional cost
- Having their personal photography exhibits publicized on SVNP's website and in our newsletter
- Having their other photography-related activities or accomplishments (e.g. teaching classes leading workshops, receiving awards) listed in the newsletter
- Being listed in, and receiving a copy of, SVNP's official membership directory
- Participating in SVNP field trips (charges may apply, depending on the details of the trip)
- Presenting images for discussion at semi-annual SVNP "member images nights"
- Taking advantage of any "members only" discounts, if available

Payment of annual member dues is NOT a requirement for being included in our Email distribution list and receiving the monthly SVNP newsletter (which is also available on the SVNP website).

Membership dues are used for a variety of expenses, including website hosting, guest speakers or special events, occasional equipment purchases (projection equipment, bulbs, etc.) and basic supplies such as name tag holders, copying, and other small items.

Have you paid your dues? Join the party!

Can you volunteer some time to help put together a recommendation for increasing our internet presence? If so, please contact Wayne Hall. 2-3 people would be ideal!

Here is a link to the 50 best photoshop blogs on the internet:

http://www.guidetoartschools.com/library/best-photoshop-blogs#ixzz1BdQKqxWe

Field trips

There is a field trip planned this Saturday, March 5th, to Tower Hill, meeting there around 10am. Please email Carol Walsh for more details if you need them. clesliewalsh@hotmail.com

SVNP Exhibit Calendar

Individual Member Exhibits

SVNP members - please notify Wayne Hall (<u>wah@waynehallphotography.com</u>) of your upcoming individual exhibits for posting on the SVNP website.

<u>Date</u> <u>Member</u> <u>Exhibit Location</u>

April, 2011 Betsy Moyer Wayland Library Foyer

April, 2011 Wayne Hall Wayland Library – Raytheon Room –

"Nature Underfoot"

SVNP Group Exhibits

<u>Date</u> <u>Exhibit Location</u>

Ongoing Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA

Other Exhibits in which SVNP Members are Participating

March, 2011 Wayland Public Library - Raytheon Room

Gateway Camera Club – Maggie Hsu, Paul Smith, Linda Crews

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