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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

December 8, 2011 Marilyn Tromer - Images of Thailand Holiday refreshments compliments of SVNP! NOTE: We cannot meet at Traditions for this meeting! Instead, we will be meeting at First Parish Unitarian Church right in the center of Wayland (intersection of Routes 20, 27, and 126). There is plenty of parking. Please use the rear, south, access to enter the building. Lights will be on for your convenience and safety.

- January 12, 2012 Eileen Kurkoski and Sue Abrahamsen - Canadian Rockies
- February 9, 2011 Member Images Night – topic TBD

November Meeting Notes

Carol Walsh and Suzie MacKenzie (yours truly) showed pictures from Namibia this month - a great mix of landscape and animal photos. The landscape in Namibia is quite diverse - from mountains to prairie to scrub to desert. As the country is about 1/2 the size of Alaska, we did a lot of driving, and witnessed firsthand the beauty of each type of landscape. While animals weren't the primary focus of the trip, we did see plenty of widlife, and hope you enjoyed the show! Cameras used on the trip: Canon SX30 is, Canon 5D, and Canon 5D Mark II, with Canon 24-105 is lens and a Canon 70-300 DO is lens with a Kenko 1.4x multiplier.

In the member images part of the program, Wayne Hall showed photos of fall leaves, and Don Sherman showed photos of Hawaii.

Thanks also to Carol for providing the refreshments tonight!

Announcements

Dues are now due. \$ 15 per person, \$ 20 per couple. Cash, or a check made out to Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers, can be given to Wayne at the next meeting, or you can send it to him: Wayne Hall, 47 Indian Ridge Road, Sudbury, MA 01776.

Mark Hopkins has an unused box of Epson semi-matte photo paper, size 17x22, that he'll never use and he's willing to sell it for half of what he paid for it. To contact Mark: <u>mopkins@verizon.net</u>

Zeff Photo in Belmont is closing soon. If you want anything, now is the time to go!

Carol Walsh announced that another possible field trip is to do some loon viewing from a boat in Spring and Summer.

Don Sherman mentioned that Olympus Camera Company has been having a cash flow problem for years, and that the status of Olympus cameras, etc. is in question. Also, the floods in Thailand have affected production of hard drives, and their prices have been rising. The price may even out by the spring.

Juried Exhibits

"Call to Artists" Art Inspired by Nature Series

Mass Audubon's Moose Hill Gallery will be accepting submissions from artists who are interested in exhibiting their nature based artwork in a juried show. The theme is **Captivating Landscapes**. Artists are invited to submit work that is inspired by their relationship with nature. As an artist, how do you express your passion and perceptions of nature in a landscape? Dramatic, awe inspiring, captivating, powerful, colorful, serene, tranquil, real or imagined views, how do *you* interpret landscape?

To Apply: Any medium is acceptable. **Deadline is December 1, 2011.** The criteria for choosing the artist will include treatment of the subject matter, its relevance to nature, command of their individual craft and the ability to engage the viewer. An artist can exhibit alone or in collaboration. Artwork will be considered for 2012 shows.

Artists can submit up to 5 images in PRINT FORMAT ONLY (not matted or framed) for judging purposes only (minimum size 8" x10" up to 11" x 14"). All prints must be labeled on the back with name, contact information, dimensions of framed work, title of piece and medium. Please include an entry fee of \$15 for up to 5 images and provide a return envelope and postage if you would like your submission returned to you. Email jngoba@massaudubon.org for more information. Submissions can be dropped off in person or mailed to: Jan Nareski Goba, 293 Moose Hill St, Sharon, MA 02067.

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>	Exhibit Location
SVNP Group Exhibits <u>Date</u>	Exhibit Location	
Ongoing	Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA	
Other Exhibits in which SVNP Members are ParticipatingThrough 12/10Assabet Valley Camera Club and The Arts Alliance – Citizen's Bank, 17 Pope Street, Hudson, MA11/1-12/29Gateway Camera Club – Morse Institute Library, Route 135, Natick, MA		

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