

EXPOSURES

Springfield Photographic Society

Photo challenges

September: Sea Life
 October: Tombstones
 November: Expression
 December: Treasure
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 March: Glass
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 May: Celebration

Member Showcase

SPS will hold its annual Member Showcase on Feb. 22. The program features about a dozen slideshows of members' work. Any member can submit a collection of images on any topic, assembled in a slideshow set to music with a suggested length of five to seven minutes. Let Kevin Fay (kevin.fay44@gmail.com) know if you plan to submit a collection.

Help wanted

Karen Lemoine and Carol Reed have volunteered to help with the club website. The club still needs volunteers to help as backups for the newsletter and social media editors. Check in with Kevin Fay (kevin.fay44@gmail.com) if you are interested.



Charlie Strong (left) and Cliff Lin set up a shot of a model at the instructional meeting at Walt Steinmetz's studio in West Springfield last month. (Cindy Nothe photo)

SPS members learn studio methods

By CINDY NOTHE

About 20 members of SPS were on hand at Walt Steinmetz's studio in West Springfield last month to learn how to shoot portraits with live models. Steinmetz talked about the appropriate camera settings to use for the lighting set-ups he had prepared and demonstrated the effects of varying the lighting choices to create

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A dozen SPS members photograph Mt. Auburn Cemetery

By **RACHEL BELLENOIT**

More than a dozen club members traveled to Mt. Auburn Cemetery in Cambridge Jan. 15 to explore the National Historic Landmark on a cold winter day.

The cemetery is beautifully landscaped and features a plethora of mausoleums and monuments, along with two ponds and a magical place known as the Dell where a great horned owl was spotted napping in a tall pine tree.

In winter, the bare trees were spectacular. The trip provided a wonderful exploration of a National Historic Landmark that is rich not only in history, but in scenic beauty and photographic possibilities as well.

Those who attended concurred that a weekday return trip should be planned in spring, when trees and flowers awaken and the bird migration is under way. If anyone would like to lead the trip, please contact me at Bellenoit.rachel@gmail.com so I can provide all the details of the first excursion.



Barbara Krawczyk, above, lies back on a granite bench to shoot up from the trunk of a massive tree in Mt. Auburn Cemetery. (Rachel Bellenoit photo)



A wild turkey, above, roams the cemetery grounds and a monument, right, sits atop a hill. (Chris Laudani photos)



Members learn portrait methods from Walt Steinmetz

A model poses in Walt Steinmetz's studio for a class of SPS members. (Cindy Nothe photo)



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different impressions in the final portrait.

There were six areas where participants could find backdrops, props and seating options, all with different lighting to allow experimentation.

Walt also explained how to put the models at ease and guide them in their poses.

Karen Geaghan recruited the six models who worked patiently with the photographers as they learned from one another and Walt, an excellent instructor. The club is grateful to him for welcoming us into his studio. Thanks to Richard Novak for arranging the program.

“I enjoyed the evening at Walt Steinmetz’s studio very much,” said SPS member Chuck Bentley. “I learned a lot more about photography and lighting and I’m thankful to Walter for inviting us to his studio and for sharing his knowledge with all of us.”

Portrait photographers, assistants sought for ‘Fitting’ event in April

Springfield Photographic Society will be supporting the Help Our Kids organization’s “Fitting for the Future” program on Saturday, April 8 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The event present a great opportunity to use the portrait photography skills taught at Walt Steinmetz’s studio last month.

Fitting for the Future serves 60 teen boys and girls in foster care in Western Massachusetts, giving them the chance to try on and take home formal outfits for special occasions like prom, formal dances, banquets and job interviews. It will be held at Tower Square, in the large conference room next to the Valley Photo Center. The experience concludes with a portrait session and each participant receives two 5x7 prints, free of charge, provided by club member David Mavlouganes of In a Flash. He will also provide the portrait lighting, camera and backdrop for the formal portraits.

SPS is looking for several volunteers to do portraits and/or take candid shots during the day. Volunteers must be

present from 8-9 a.m. for orientation. They will work in two- to three-hour shifts, ending at about 5 p.m. The best of the candid shots will be provided electronically for Help Our Kids to use on their website and in their marketing materials. This is an annual event for the Help Our Kids organization but the first time our club is participating. For more information or to see photos from last year’s event, please click on the link below. www.helpourkidsinc.org/fitting-for-the-future/.

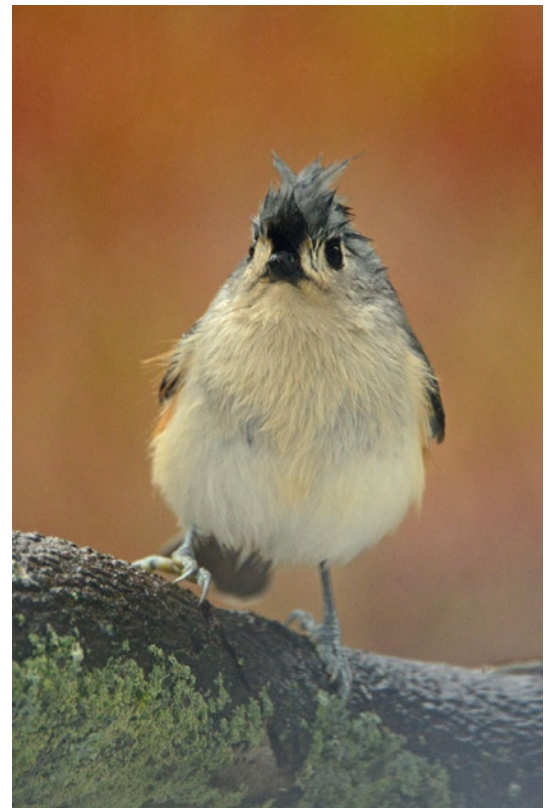
The organizers also need a couple of people who can sew. Some of the clothing will need tailoring on site and two of the volunteers who did that in the past aren’t able to participate this year. It’s not our club’s role to recruit those people, but if any of our multi-talented members would like to help in that way they would be welcome.

Contact Cindy Nothe (cnothe@comcast.net) if you are interested in participating.

Scenics, birds highlight January entries



Stunning scenics and bird portraits made for a fascinating group of January exhibition entries. Here are some of the best, clockwise from above, Rockies Clearing by Esther Husted, My Beautiful Hairdo Ruined by Judy Bolio, and Snowy Egret by Tim Donelan. Complete results on pages 5 and 6.



Exhibition results - Prints and projected images for January

**Judges: Kevin Fay, Barb Krawczyk, Chris
Laudani, Sylvia Pyzocha**

PRINTS

Large Color

Gail Dinsmore	Backyard Beauty	27	HA
Kevin Fay	Oxarafoss	27	HA
Rich Novak	Roosting Barred	27	HA
Rosemary Polletta	Late Autumn in Hawley	25	
Cindy Nothe	Barnacle Colony	24	
Kevin Fay	November Sunset (M)	27	HA
Cindy Nothe	Flying South (M)	24	

Small Color

Gail Dinsmore	Pristine	25	HM
Kevin Fay	Overlooking Tjornin Pond	25	HM
Cindy Nothe	Snow Angels	25	HM
Rosemary Polletta	A Little Down Time	24	
Kevin Fay	Russian Orthodox Cathedral	26	HA(M)

Large Black & White

Rich Novak	Young Lady's Smile	26	HM
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Small Black & White

Kevin Fay	Morning Clouds Near Geysir	27	HA
Rosemary Polletta	A Day of Protest	27	HA
Kevin Fay	Budir Chapel (M)	26	HA

Artistic

Rosemary Polletta	Feeling A Ghostly Surge	28	HA
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PROJECTED IMAGES

General

Mary Amato	Afternoon Catch	27	HA
Rachel Bellenoit	Myriad Fall Reflections	27	HA
Nancy Bryant	Storm Waves	27	HA
Guenther Schubert	Approaching Rain	27	HA
Nick DeCondio	Fire!!	26	HM
Tim Donelan	Many Glacier Hotel	26	HM
Steve Greenberg	Point Reyes Wreck	26	HM
Chris Laudani	Wistful Monkey	26	HM
Cindy Nothe	Lone Pelican at Sea	26	HM
Larry Sanchez	Moonrise at Crane Beach	26	HM
Amy Dane	Ethiopian Festival	25	
Eileen Donelan	Window Décor	25	
Barb Krawczyk	Victory Theater	25	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Bridal Veil	25	
Dick Simmons	Billy	25	
Judy Bolio	Small Stream	24	
Gail Dinsmore	Hanalei Surfer Girls	24	
Kevin Fay	Parker River Salt Marsh	24	
Muriel Lohnes	Hawk	24	
Kevin Fay	Autumn Fog on North Road	27	HA(M)
Nick DeCondio	Ground Keeper's Cat (M)	25	
Esther Husted	Rockies Clearing (M)	25	

Jim Theres

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Black & White

Guenther Schubert	Clearing Storm	28	HA
Eileen Donelan	Water Lilies	27	HA
Sylvia Pyzocha	Hats for Sale	27	HA
Judy Bolio	Proud Hawk	26	HM
Nancy Bryant	Friends	26	HM
Kevin Fay	Walking Through Pingvellir	26	HM
Barb Krawczyk	Ghost of Vaudeville	26	HM
Rachel Bellenoit	Winter	25	
Amy Dane	Chinese Grammy with Twins	25	
Tim Donelan	Cloudy Mountain Peak	25	
Chris Laudani	Two Jays	25	
Mary Amato	Not Your Charlie's Angels	24	
Steve Greenberg	Star Light Star Bright	24	
Esther Husted	New Mexico Angry Skies	24	
Nick DeCondio	Silhouette of Sisters	23	
Esther Husted	White Beauty (M)	25	
Nick DeCondio	Abandoned Villa (M)	24	
Kevin Fay	Clouds Over Mt. Mansfield (M)	24	

Artistic

Barb Krawczyk	Surreal Sunset	27	HA
Mary Amato	I Ris I Were a Painting	26	HM
Rachel Bellenoit	Mystical Birches	26	HM
Kevin Fay	Uh Oh	26	HM
Steve Greenberg	Window Frame	26	HM
Chris Laudani	Sunny Side Up	26	HM
Judy Bolio	Foggy Daisy	25	
Amy Dane	Ivory Coast Kid	25	
Eileen Donelan	Spiral of Colors	25	
Nancy Bryant	Roses	24	
Tim Donelan	Waterfall	24	
Cindy Nothe	Late Afternoon Dean Pond	24	
Nick DeCondio	A Dreamy Flower	22	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Sleeping In	22	
Kevin Fay	Playing in the Surf (M)	25	
Jim Theres	Lipstick (M)	23	

Nature

Rachel Bellenoit	Perching	28	HA
Esther Husted	Catching Rays	28	HA
Mary Amato	Caught on the Diagonal	27	HA
Amy Dane	Satisfied Weddell Seal	27	HA
Tim Donelan	Snowy Egret	27	HA
Kevin Fay	Talking Sandpiper	27	HA
Sylvia Pyzocha	Leaping Doe	27	HA
Judy Bolio	My Beautiful Hair Ruined	26	HM
Nancy Bryant	Seeds in the Web	26	HM
Nick DeCondio	Strike a Pose	26	HM
Barb Krawczyk	Downy Woodpecker	26	HM
Muriel Lohnes	Geyser in Yellowstone	25	
Guenther Schubert	Untitled	25	
Eileen Donelan	I Have an Itch	24	

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Chris Laudani	Peeking Out of the Woods	24	
Nick DeCondio	Lunchtime in the Field (M)	26	HM
Kevin Fay	Quechee Reflection (M)	25	
Jim Theres	Butterfly Feeding (M)	25	

PRINTS AND PROJECTED IMAGES

Photo Challenge (Bridges)

Amy Dane	Teak Bridge in Myanmar	28	HA
Kevin Fay	Surf Pounding the Golden Gate (Print)	27	HA
Larry Sanchez	Memorial Bridge	27	HA
Nancy Bryant	Bridge of Flowers	26	HM
Barb Krawczyk	Brooklyn Bridge Symmetry	26	HM
Judy Bolio	Brooklyn Bridge	25	
Eileen Donelan	Brooklyn Bridge at Dusk	25	
Tim Donelan	Going to the Sun Road Bridge	25	
Esther Husted	Sunrise Meets 59 th St. Bridge	25	
Rosemary Polletta	West Cornwall Bridge in Winter (Print)	25	
Steve Greenberg	Falls Bridge	24	
Chris Laudani	Seguin Bridge Charlotte VT	24	
Cindy Nothe	Summer at Wiggly Bridge	24	
Rich Novak	Buxton Superstructure (Print)	24	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Troll's View	24	
Nick DeCondio	Working on a Bridge	23	
Gail Dinsmore	Hanapepe Swinging Bridge	23	
Jim Theres	A String of Pearls (M)	25	

Cuba exhibit to open in Tower Square

SPS member Barbara Krawczyk and Westfield Camera Club member Diane Savioli-Chase are reprising their Cuba print show at the Valley Photo Center in Tower Square in Springfield from Feb. 1-24. A reception is planned for Feb. 2 from 6-8 p.m. More than 50 prints will be on display. The show will feature a digital image display of about 240 photographs.

Welcome to 3 new club members

Joining the club from Springfield are Julie Marsian and Tom and Madeleine Wozniak. Welcome aboard.

Free pass to NECCC conference at UMass

The NECCC will hold its annual conference July 15-17 at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. The club offers a courtesy enrollment to one person in each member club. It is limited to someone who has never gone to the conference. Cost of the conference last year was \$235, but the person who has the courtesy enrollment attends for free. Learn more at the NECCC website. If you want to be considered for the pass, send an email to Kevin Fay by Feb. 5. The winner will be selected at random Feb. 8.

SPS Officers and Directors

Elected positions

President	Kevin Fay
Vice President (Prints)	Rosemary Polletta
Vice President (Projected Images)	Ron Belovitz
Treasurer	Cindy Nothe
Secretary	Nick DeCondio, MNEC
Directors	Karen Geaghan, MNEC

Chuck Bentley
Judy Bolio
Karen Lemoine
Chris Laudani
Non-elected Director
The non-elected director is the immediate past president.

Appointed positions

Judge Coordinator/Exhibition Standards	Barb Krawczyk
Loomis Gallery Curator	Rosemary Polletta
Membership Chair	Larry Sanchez
Newsletter	Jim Gillen
Publicity Coordinator	Cindy Nothe
Social Media	Nick DeCondio
Statistician	Ken Cook, MNEC
Trip Coordinator	Chris Laudani
Website Manager	Rachel Bellenoit

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