# **EXPOSURES**

### Springfield Photographic Society

#### **Photo challenges**

September: Sea Life October: Tombstones November: Expression December: Treasure January: Bridge(s) February: Starts with P

March: Glass April: Chairs May: Celebration

#### **Lightroom help**

Many of our members have said that they would like to learn how to use Lightroom to process their photos. The club will be offering some hands-on workshops on this and other subjects in the next few months, but for anyone who wants instruction sooner here are two options:

• SPS member Fred LeBlanc has an upcoming local workshop that he has already advertised to the club, on March 25 and April 1, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., \$50. Contact Fred to register: fredleblanc@comcast.net or

fredleblanc@comcast.net or 413-533-1914.

• Scott Kelby is offering a one-day training program in Boston on March 10 for \$89. For more info: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lightroom-on-tour-2017-with-scott-kelby-boston-matickets-31259058686?gclid=CI3Uov\_0qdICFYtMDQodnGMNVw

# New members learn camera techniques in downtown Springfield photo walk



Muriel Lohnes takes aim during a photo walk at the Quadrangle and downtown. (Rosemary Polletta photo)

#### **By LARRY SANCHEZ**

After new members got together with the SPS board for a meet and greet at Reed's Landing Feb. 15, SPS membership chairman Larry Sanchez invited the group to take a photo walk in Springfield on President's Day.

Muriel Lohnes, Mohan and Sarada Kottamasu, Rosemary Polletta and Larry met at the Springfield Museums. First, they talked about camera settings and techniques, thankful they all were using Nikon cameras.

They discussed the benefits of using aperture priority to control depth of field in images. The new members also learned about adjustments to fine-tune an exposure. Then the group walked through the Dr. Seuss Garden, practicing what they had learned. Later, they moved to Court Square for more shooting.

In emails to Larry, Mohan Kottamasu said, "Thank you Larry for leading the photo walk. Sarada and I truly enjoyed the advice and learning opportunity. I also wish to thank Rosemary (Polletta) and Muriel (Lohnes) for their company and advice."

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## Small group shoots at Hancock Shaker Village

Fred LeBlanc led a group of five people to the Berkshires and Hancock Shaker Village for a photo shoot on Feb. 20.

With Fred were Eileen and Tim Donelan, Chris Laudani and Rachel Bellenoit

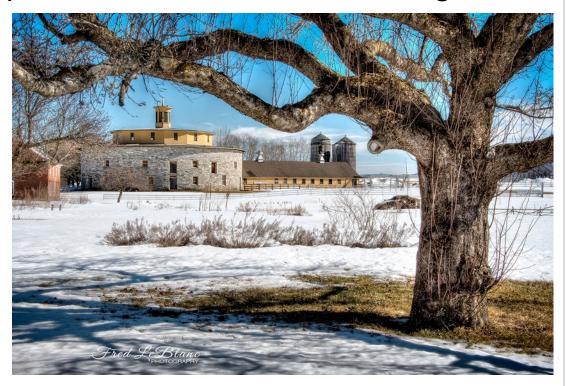
The group spent several hours walking the grounds (the site is closed to the public during the winter) and photographing the village on a relatively warm February day, a day on which grass was peeking up through the recent heavy snows in Western Massachusetts.

## March speaker

Bird photographer Peter Christoph will speak to SPS members March 22.

Christoph will share his technical expertise during a 90-minute presentation. His books will be on display and for sale during intermission.

A sampling of his photography can be viewed at his website: <a href="http://peterchristoph.com">http://peterchristoph.com</a>.



Fred LeBlanc photographed the circular barn, above, at Hancock Shaker Village in the Berkshires while leading a photo walk there. Along with him were, left to right below, Eileen Donelan, Chris Laudani and Tim Donelan. Rachel Bellenoit also made the trip. (Fred LeBlanc photos)



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Muriel Lohnes said, "I also want to thank Larry for a great afternoon. I got a lot of tips and useful information from you and Rosemary. I really enjoyed the day and the company of Mohan and Sarada. Glad I joined the SPS."

Treasurer and Publicity Coordinator Cindy Nothe said, "As a pilot program it was a great success.... The board may consider doing more short-notice, nearby excursions, perhaps with an instructional component for novice photographers."



Photographer: Larry Sanchez F-stop: f/16 Shutter: 1/320 sec ISO: 640 Focal Length: 95mm



Photographer: Larry Sanchez F-stop: f/6.3 Shutter: 1/2000 sec ISO: 640 Focal Length: 95mm

Larry
Sanchez
shot two
photos to
explain how
depth of
field works,
left, to new
club
members
who went
on a photo
walk at the
Quadrangle
last month.

## NECCC to hold annual conference at UMass in July

The New England Camera Club Council will hold its annual conference July 14-16 at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

Keynote speaker on July 15 will be Bryan Petersen, travel photographer and founder of the online Bryan Petersen's School of Photography.

The Boston FMX Team of motorcycle jumpers will perform stunt ramp jumping. Riders will be available for photos.

The Photo-Ops room will play host to attendees to shoot insects, high-key color glassware, floral techniques and dark field glassware.

There will be models, vendors, and photo equipment to borrow from Canon, Fuji, Nikon, Olympus, Panasonic, Sigma, Sony and Tamron.

#### Welcome to 3 new club members

Welcome aboard to new members Mohan Rao Kottamasu, Sarada Devi Kottamasu and Pallavi Kottamasu of Longmeadow. Seven Friday morning pre-conference workshops are planned. Early signups are encouraged since seating is limited. Classes will be offered in understanding color, social media, iPhone photography, Photoshop, printing and macro.

For more information on location, registration, programs, accommodations and directions, check the NECCC website, <a href="www.neccc.org">www.neccc.org</a> or email Susan Mosser at s.jmosser@comcast.net.

## SPS members honored in Agawam show

Several SPS members were honored at the 7th annual Open Juried Photography Show at the Agawam Public Library in February.

**Amy Dane** – 1st place in photojournalism for One-Eyed Ladies, 3rd place in creative for Chinese Fashion Meets...

**Heidi Blackak** – honorable mention in creative for Finn,

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# B&W photographs lead off February entries

A pair of black and white photos leads off the February exhibition entries. Still life and action shots also were among the great shots this month. Here are a few of the best, clockwise from right, Young Man and the Sea by Guenther Schubert, Market Day by Amy Dane, St. Helena Vineyard by Steve Greenberg, Big Papi Passes Ted Williams by Kevin Fay, and A Pair of Pears by Judy Bolio. Complete results on pages 5 and 6.











# Exhibition results - Prints and projected images for February

Judges: Rachel Bellenoit, Judy Bolio, Eileen Donelan, Rosemary Polletta				Barb Krawczyk Eileen Donelan Judy Bolio	Happy Ladies Strolling Sunlight on Goose Island Storms Coming	26 25	HA HM
PRINTS				Amy Dane Rachel Bellenoit	Market Day Aquarami Abstract Lines	25 24 24	
<b>Large Color</b> Kevin Fay	Hellnar, Iceland	30	НА	Tim Donelan Denis Duquette	Downtown Dan	24	
Karen Lemoine	Pete's Lake	28	HА	Kevin Fay	Helicopter Over Manhattan	24	
Cindy Nothe	Green Heron	25	1111	Esther Husted	Formal Garden Shade	24	
Gail Dinsmore	New Harbor	24		Chris Laudani	Lake in Summer	24	
Rosemary Polletta	Nature's Peaceful Co-Existence	24		Muriel Lohnes Sylvia Pyzocha	Hanging Out January Thaw	24 21	
<b>Small Color</b>				Denis Duquette	Windy City Skateboarders (M)	23	
Eileen Donelan	Tufted Titmouse		HA				
Kevin Fay	The Pulpit of St. Sulpice	27		Artistic	Mar. Di	27	77.4
Gail Dinsmore	Misty Morning		HA	Barb Krawczyk	Whispy Blooms		HA HM
Cindy Nothe Rosemary Polletta	Winter Weed Autumn Afternoon at Barkham-	25	HM	Judy Bolio Kevin Fay	Grape Hyacinth Hubcap Reflection		HM HM
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	stead Reservoir	27		Cindy Nothe	Sea Roses in Winter	25	
Small Black & W	hite			Sylvia Pyzocha	Candlelight and Rose	25	
Kevin Fay	Gullfoss Overlook	26	HA	Rachel Bellenoit	Trail of Enchantment	24	
Rosemary Polletta	Antique Pearls	24		Amy Dane	Estelle's Orchids	24	
Larry Sanchez	Lunar New Year	24		Steve Greenberg	Hot Air Ballooning Three Tomatos	24 24	
A				Chris Laudani Jim Theres	A Man and His Horn	24	
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Karen Lemoine Rosemary Polletta	Solstice Translucent Petals	29	HA HA	Carol Reed	Under the Bridge of Flowers	23	
Eileen Donelan	Alpine Flowers		HM	Muriel Lohnes	Flower in Unusual Place	22	
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Amy Dane	Going to Church	27	HA	Amy Dane	Storks		HM
Steve Greenberg	St. Helena Vineyard	27	HA	Guenther Schubert	Clearing Storm 2		HM
Carol Reed	Cowboy Sunset	27	HA	Judy Bolio	House Finch	25	
Eileen Donelan	Aspens	26 26	HM HM	Gail Dinsmore	Zen Reflection	25	
Kevin Fay Barb Krawczyk	Big Papi Passes Ted Williams Traditions Alley Dancers		НМ	Kevin Fay	Beachcombers	25	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Birch and Barn		HM	Eileen Donelan Tim Donelan	Early Morning Takeoff Untitled	24 24	
Guenther Schubert	The Wave	26	НМ	Esther Husted	Facing West	24	
Tim Donelan	Walk in the Park	25		Chris Laudani	In Need of a Comb	24	
Judy Bolio	Where's the Plastic Surgeon?	24		Rachel Bellenoit	Bee on Coneflower	23	
Denis Duquette	Old Wheel	24		Dennis Duquette	Along Fuller Lakes Trail	23	
Esther Husted Chris Laudani	Jamon Anyone Maine Lighthouse	24 24		Muriel Lohnes	Chickadee	23	
Muriel Lohnes	Butterfly	24		Carol Reed	Winter View from Quabbin		
Cindy Nothe	Dramatic Sky	24		Jim Theres	Enfield Lookout Passing the Time	23 23	
Larry Sanchez	Pine Cone	22		Jim Theres Jim Theres	Bright Eyes (M)		НМ
Jim Theres	Jewels and Chanel	22		Denis Duquette	Turnaround Arm (M)	25	11141
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honorable mention in photojournalism for Wreaths Across America - Arlington

**Fred LeBlanc** – honorable mention in pictorial for Schooner Race, honorable mention in pictorial for Lite Painted Truck

**Rosemary Polletta** – 3rd place in photojournalism for A Day of Protest, 2nd place in creative for A Burst of Color, honorable mention in creative for Budding Lotus at Daybreak

**Larry Sanchez** – 2nd place for pictorial for Memorial Bridge

#### Backup help sought for newsletter, media

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

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Judy Bolio	A Pair of Pears	26	HM
Tim Donelan	Photographer Photographing		
	Painting	26	HM
Barb Krawczyk	Painting at Penobscot Light	26	HM
Rosemary Polletta	Pink Pig in a Pot (Print)	26	HM
Gail Dinsmore	Pink Peony (Print)	25	
Eileen Donelan	Purple Martin	25	
Denis Duquette	Painted Desert Inn View	25	
Steve Greenberg	Pedaling Away	25	
Chris Laudani	Prairie Dog	25	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Petals	25	
Rachel Bellenoit	Praying Mantis	24	
Amy Dane	Korean Rice Wine	24	
Esther Husted	Porcupine Island	24	
Muriel Lohnes	Pennies	24	
Cindy Nothe	Pile of Pinecones	24	
Larry Sanchez	Painter	24	
Jim Theres	PETCO	22	
Carol Reed	Pine in the Sun	21	
Denis Duquette	Hemlock Bridge (M)	24	
Jim Theres	A Bridge to the Church (M)	24	

**FOR SALE:** Ron Beckwith is selling a Nikon D300s body with additional gear for \$550. If interested, contact Ron at (413) 527-3127.

#### **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

Non-elected Director Chris Laudani
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 Ken Cook, MNEC Statistician Trip Coordinator Chris Laudani Website Manager Rachel Bellenoit

## **EXPOSURES**

Exposures is the monthly newsletter of the Springfield Photographic Society. SPS is affiliated with the Photographic Society of America and the New **England Camera Club** Council. Society meetings are held at Loomis Lakeside at Reed's Landing, 807 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, at 7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, September through May. The SPS website is sps.photoclubservices.com. President Kevin Fay can be reached at kevin.fay44@gmail.com





