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## Annual Banquet December 2

The 2007 Annual Banquet
Irish Cultural Center
December 2
5:00—Cocktails;
6:00—Dinner
\$28

2700—45th Avenue, San Francisco

(Between 47th & Taraval)

December 2 is the culmination of a year of photographic activity. Winners from all our competitions are celebrated. Awards are presented. We'll see winning images and a photo essay containing work of all our participating members. It's a night of celebration and prizes.

Members are encouraged to bring guests. Truly, on this occasion, the more the merrier.

Tickets are available now. Use the handy form enclosed in this newsletter to select your entrée and reserve your place.

## Annual Judging November 10—9:00am

This is when we determine the best of the best of the 2007 year. It's an all day event, so plan to come at 9:00 and stay 'til it's done. Jim and Kris Silva have taken charge of the potluck luncheon and will provide sandwich fixings. Please bring a salad, dessert, or other treat to share at lunch. Please also help out with managing the day because your help will be needed.

## Selective Focus By Alice Steele

As you have read elsewhere in this newsletter, change is coming to Photochrome. One change takes place on the pages of the Color News. Stefan Gruenwedel's words have graced these pages for a number of years now, but his other obligations and volunteer duties make it impossible for him to continue. Would anyone else like to take on this pleasant task? It involves making the digital rounds of the galleries and selecting exhibits that would be of interest to Photochrome members. Stefan will be happy to help in the passing of the baton. Give me a call or email if you are interested.

**Meanwhile**, read his words with extra appreciation this month, it's his last column. Thank you, Stefan.

The Annual Judging is upon us. All the instructions for submitting entries are in the October Color News. If your copy has gone missing, you can email me for another one. Unfortunately, it is not available on our website now because of updating problems there.



Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

#### 2007 NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

- 1 Projected Images: Pictorial
- 8 Prints (Pictorial, Nature, Sequence)
- 10 Annual Judging 9:00am
- 15 Board Meeting

### Competition Results - September 2007

Pictorial 10/4/07, Judge: Jim Toland Chairs: Janet Stock and Gary Chu

**Grand Award: Calla Lilly - Martin Gumbel** 

A Group (10D)

1st - Garrett Griffin - Alpine Sunset from Monitor Pass

2nd - Dan Friedman - Hall of Versaille

3rd - Richard Zimmerman - Autumn Leaves

HM - Garrett Griffin - Pear Ready to Pick

**AA Group (1D. 2S)** 

1st - Martin Gumbel - Calla Lily

2nd - Arthur King - Lotus

3rd - Martin Gumbel - Beauties in the Mud

AAA Group (4D, 2S)

1st - Janet Stock - Plant Skeleton, Baja

2nd - Enrique Aguirre - Rider in the Storm

3rd - Alice Steele - Trio

Masters (6D, 4S)

1st - Stacy Boorn - E. Sierra Hot Springs

2nd - Gene Morita - Snowy Morning among Dead Trees

3rd - Richard Stacks - The Lord Carried Me

HM - Burr Preston - Emperor Penguin Parents with Chick

**LEVEL** 

HM - Gene Morita - Portrait of a Juvenile Snow Monkey

**Print Competition** 

DIVISION

October 11, Alan Heald, Chair

**Travel 10/18** 

Judge: Jim Silva, Chair: Mary Asturias, Gary Cho

Grand Award: Mono Lake, Chris Kibre

**GROUP A** 

1 D Friedman Duomo, Florence 2 D. Friedman Bermuda Roof

**GROUP AA** 

1 M. Gumbel Exquisite Thailand 2 A. King LAX Airport

GROUP AAA

C. Kibre Mono Lake

2 C. Kibre
 3 S. Boorn
 HM W. Zhoe
 HM D. Hall
 Gooseneck Colorado River
 Church Bell orver Santorini
 Massage Girls in Bankok
 Produce Vendor in Old Delhi

JOurnalism, Sept 20, Mary Aaturias, Gary Cho, Chairs

Judge: Jim Silva,

ION:Ghost of a long Grieving Widow—G. Griffin

A Group,

1 G. Griffin Ghost of a long Grieving Widow

2 A Heald Stunt Pilot

3 D. Friedman Charging the Mark
HM A Heald Blue Angels in Formation

AA Group,

PRINT TITLE

D. Hall Lead Climber Assends Clift

2 S. Boorn Gettting Plastered

3 A Steele Segway Polo, USA vs New Zealand

HM A Steele Precision Flying
HM S. Boorn Hindu Morning Prayer

Photographer

B&W (MONO) AMATEUR MONO/ADV) Viktor Gruber Woman With a Skull COLOR AMATEUR (COL/AMA) Alan Heald Harbor, Mykonos, Greece COLOR AMATEUR (COL/AMA) Jim Ellis Flower, Golden Gate Park COLOR ADVANCED (COL/ADV) Alice Steel Spinner COLOR ADVANCED (COL/ADV) Alice Steel Shadows and Shapes COLOR SALON (COL/SAL) Jim Silva Bridge and Fireworks COLOR SALON (COL/SAL) Jim Silva Tuscan Evening **TRAVEL** SALON (T/SAL) Jim Silva Bridge at Twilight SPECIAL PRINTS JOURNALISM (PJ) Alan Heald Blue Angels SPECIAL PRINTS JOURNALISM (PJ) Blue Angels and GG Bridge Jim Ellis SPECIAL PRINTS CREATIVE (CRE) Jim Silva Ocean Surfer SPECIAL PRINTS CREATIVE (CRE) Jim Silva 4th of July, Embarcadero SPECIAL PRINTS CREATIVE (CRE) Alan Heald Stained Glass Abstract SPECIAL PRINTS CREATIVE (CRE) Jim Elliot Water Glass

Assigned Subject —Metal

C. Kibre Car Detail
 A. Heald Bentley Wheel
 G Griffin Brass, Bronze &

Copper

HM S. Boorn Volcano
HM J Lantheaume Radiance

When subject matter is forced to fit into preconceived patterns, there can be no freshness of vision. Following rules of composition can only lead to tedious repetition of pictorial clichés....

**Edward Weston** 

#### Dear Photochrome Member,

This year has been a tough one for Photochrome. We operated without a President, with the remaining members of the Board of Directors taking one-month turns at directing club activities. Unfortunately, during the year, some Board members had to drop out, leaving the Club even more shorthanded.

The leadership problem continues into 2008 since a potential leader has yet to step forward.

Those Board members remaining need to know in what direction the Club wants to go. This questionnaire is designed to give the Board guidance, remembering that Club functions also require active member participation.

So, here we are. For example: Do we want three competitions each month? Do we want competitions at all? Do we want instruction? Do we want social interaction? What will make Photochrome viable in the year 2008 and beyond. Perhaps your answers and your commitment will produce the needed answers.

You're welcome to mail your completed questionnaires to our post office box (listed elsewhere in this newsletter) or you may send it directly to our editor's email address (SFAlice@aol.com). No matter how the board gets your input *and your own thoughts and ideas*, they will be welcome.

You may receive this questionnaire more than once. However, thankfully, it is only necessary to fill it out once. Please sign and return by November 8. Sooner is best..

#### **Questionnaire for All Photochrome Members**

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Why are you a member of ing the most important re		re than one cho	ice applies, rar	nk them in numerical sequ	uence with 1 be
☐ looking for a social experience		☐ looking for an entertainment experience			
enjoy the competitive environment		☐ looking for a learning experience			
☐ to improve my photographic skills		☐ looking for an exchange of photographic information			
☐share my work with ot	ther members	to interact v	vith other digital	I still photographers	
to interact with other f		$\overline{}$	vith all still photo	. •	
☐interested in seeing p	. • .	_	n seeing photog	•	
☐ to be informed of N4C	_				
Other reasons:	,,		, programo, am		
Do you compete in the cl			_		
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Photo Journalism	Assigned Su	ıbjects	Prints		
How often do you think P	Photochrome should me	et?			
How often do you think Photochrome should mee  Once a month  Twice a mon			☐Three time	es a month	
What is the maximum nu	mber of monthly meeting	nas vou persona	ally would attend	d?	
☐One ☐Two	Three	.go you porcone	my would allow		
Are refreshments an esse	ential part of each meet	ting?			
□Yes □No	Don't know	/ no opinion			

Is it important for you to have your work go to the monthly N4C competitions?  Yes  No					
Don't know what N4C competitions are					
☐ Meeting Format: what form of meeting would you prefer?  Competition ☐ with outside judges (present format) ☐ without outside judges (members select winners)  ☐ No competition (members discuss entries and critique them)					
Should the club have annual awardsmedals for high point scores in the various competition categories?  Yes  Don't know / no opinion					
Should the club have a year end judging to select the best in each categorypictorial, nature, creative, travel, journalism?  Yes  Don't know/ no opinion					
Should the club have an annual banquet in December?  Yes Don't know / no opinion					
Have you ever attended a club annual banquet?  Yes  No  I joined this year, so have not yet had an opportunity to attend					
Should the club have activities other than monthly meetings?  No Yes If yes,					
What club positions would you volunteer for (circle those that apply);  Officer, Board Member, - Appointive chairmanship likecompetition chair, obtain judges, refreshments, new member recruitment, equipment set-up, projectionists, web site, outings/field trips, Color News, N4C delegate, hospitality (greeting visitors), education, banquet organization and/or ticket sales.					
Are you planning on renewing your membership for 2008?  Yes					
What types of images to you plan to submit next year?					
☐Slides Projected, ☐Digital Projected, ☐Prints, ☐None					
□ Would you volunteer to help in a membership drive in 2008? □ Would you invite other photographers to visit the Club? □ Do you have other skills or services to offer to the club?					
Finally, if you were the Club leader in 2008, what would you do? What changes would you make?					

### NOVEMBER PHOTO EXHIBITS

### By Stefan Gruenwedel

November Photo Exhibits
Jim Goldberg: New Work

Through November 10

"This series focuses on the journeys of refugees and immigrants from war-torn or economically devastated homelands in Iraq, Somalia, Sudan, Palestine, Afghanistan, the Philippines, and elsewhere to settle in Europe, specifically Greece and Ukraine. In June, the Foundation Henri Cartier-Bresson in Paris presented the artist, Jim Goldberg, with the HCB Award so he could travel to his subjects' countries of origin and tell the complete stories of their migration."

Stephen Wirtz Gallery 49 Geary Street, San Francisco (415) 433-6879 wirtzgallery.com

**Edward Burtynsky: Quarries** 

Through November 24

"This exhibition reveals the unfamiliar terrain of the world's major quarries through a series of new color, large-scale industrial landscapes by Edward Burtynsky—the result of 25 years of his exploration of the impact of industry on our planet. Burtynsky's breathtaking quarry images present a poetic narrative of landscape transfigured by industry and take the viewer through China, India, Spain, Portugal, Italy, the United States, and Canada. He poignantly acquaints us with these landscapes in transition—places being transformed by the process of extracting natural resources."

Robert Koch Gallery 49 Geary Street, San Francisco (415) 421-0122 kochgallery.com

Mona Kuhn: Evidence *Through December 1* 

"Mona Kuhn employs a visual language that is at once classical and contemporary. She weaves to-

gether gestures taken from traditional iconography with the natural body language of her subjects, and does this with a fluidity and grace that comes from both intimacy with her subjects and a highly skilled mastery of the medium. Beneath the calm, relaxed surfaces of her photographs lies an explosive energy: the artist's controlled play with the power of sensuality. The compositions incorporate the flow of volume with tenuously held planes of focus—often with a depth of field of only a few inches—that tempt the viewer and provoke the imagination. Each image explores dualities of human experience. Tension and uneasiness co-exist with sunlight and soft flesh. The subjects and their gestures are suggestive yet ultimately ambiguous. With only sparse reference to physical surroundings, the bodies seem to float in an idyllic picture space, part of a dreamlike narrative that exists just beyond the viewer's comprehension."

Scott Nichols Gallery 49 Geary Street, San Francisco (415) 788-4641

scottnicholsgallery.com

**Hiroshi Sugimoto: History of History** 

Through January 6

"One of the most internationally acclaimed Japanese artists living today, Hiroshi Sugimoto is best known for his photographic series of empty movie theaters and drive-ins, seascapes, dioramas, and wax museums. This exhibition juxtaposes Sugimoto's exquisitely minimalist works—selected from the photographer's past and most recent series—with fossils, artworks and religious artifacts ranging from prehistoric to the 15th century from his own collection. The result is an extended exploration of time, life and spirituality as perceived in the contexts of nature and history."

Asian Art Museum 200 Larkin St., San Francisco (415) 581-3500

asianart.org

Competition Meetings are held on the first three Thursdays of the month (Except Nov. & Dec.) At 7:30pm. The Fellowship Hall, Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 678 Portola Drive, San Francisco, CA 94127

#### **VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME**

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San Francisco, CA94158

Tel. (415)227-0367

Willis has a new website as follows: zhoewillis94121.tripod.com

### It's Almost Here! -

Fotoclave is November 2–3–4
Registration materials
may be found at
N4C.com

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Yes, I want to attend the 2007Annual Banq	uet on December 2nd
All entrée choices are \$28. My choices are	:
Breast of Chicken, tarragon  Filet of Sole  Vegetarian Pasta	number \$ number \$ number \$
Address_	
Mail to: Photochrome - PO Box 27265 - San Fra	ncisco, CA 94127-0265
Or give to a Board Member at the next mee	eting.