



# Housatonic Images

## End of Year Dinner & Meeting

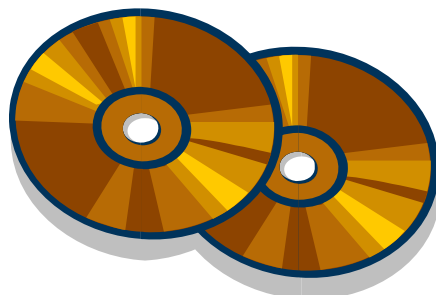
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The last HCC meeting of the season will be held on June 28 in the Noble Horizons Community Room, and will feature a social hour and dinner prior to the regular meeting at 7:00. The social hour will be from 5:00 to 6:00 followed by dinner with fried chicken, pasta primavera, and strawberry shortcake for dessert. The cost of the dinner will be \$18 which can be paid at the door or sent to Judy Becker. If you have not already done so, please make a reservation with Judy, [judybecker40@att.net](mailto:judybecker40@att.net), so she can give Noble Horizons an accurate count.

The program for the meeting will feature a year-end review and member showcase, and digital circuit review and discussion. Even if you can't make the dinner, try to attend the meeting and *bring along a short digital slide show or a collection of photos on a cd, dvd, or flash drive. Presentations should be no more than 5-10 minutes maximum. The content is up to you and can be a random mix*



*of some favorite pictures, a photo essay, or just a collection of images on a certain topic.* I'm thinking that if it stays hot, looking at those pictures of last winter's ice and snow might be nice!

*Black and white are the colors of photography. To me they symbolize the alternatives of hope and despair to which mankind is forever subjected.*

*~Robert Frank*

## Digital Circuits

Our camera club has once again decided to participate in the Digital Circuit program sponsored by the New England Camera Club Council (NECCC). This is a program in which camera clubs which belong to the Council send in six digital images which are grouped with images from several other clubs and then reviewed and critiqued by an NECCC expert photographer. A CD or DVD with the images and evaluation results for the group is then sent to the participating clubs. The comments are enlightening and can lead to some good discussions.

Last year we participated in the “Open” and “Nature” Circuits and we plan to do the same for the 2011-2012 circuits. A committee will select entries to be sent in from photos that have been submitted in the past for club competitions or photo challenges. In addition, if you have a special photo you would like to enter in the circuit, send it to Gisele and it will be included for consideration by the committee. All photographers whose photos have been selected will be notified before the images are submitted.

If you missed seeing the 2010-2011 Digital Circuit results at a recent meeting, you can contact Gisele to borrow the CD. There were some interesting comments and several of the photos we submitted received special recognition.

## Club Photo Challenges

We have decided to continue to do club photo challenges in which everyone is encouraged to take and submit photos on an assigned topic. The topics will be announced in advance along with the due dates. We will go back to having the photos sent to Gisele and she will put them all together and present them. We tentatively plan to show and discuss (not judge) the challenge photos at regular meetings, probably in September, November, January, March, and May or June. We hope members will also post their pictures on the Forum or send them to Lazlo so he can post them. That way we can keep the topics active all year and share comments and information online not just at meetings.

"Summer Celebrations—Picnics, Parades, Carnivals, Fairs and Festivals" will be our main summer theme. Photos on this topic will be shown at the September meeting. Other topics for the year have not been finalized since we want to try and relate some of them to program presentations and/or any possible club trips or workshops. However, to let you start thinking and photographing ahead, here are some of the topics we *might* select: Barns, Agriculture, Architecture, ‘Other’ Houses (dog houses, firehouses, etc.), Doors and Windows, Walls and Fences, Faces, People at Work, Pictures that Tell a Story (one or a short series), A Different Point of View, Motion, Black and White. Others could include Night Shots, Dawn and Dusk, Sunrise and Sunset, Skyscapes, Seascapes, Cityscapes/ Street Scenes, Beach Scenes, etc. If you would like to vote for your favorites, or would like to suggest a topic, contact Gisele or Jane. The final topics and schedule, as well as submission details will be sent out later in the summer.

## HCC Photo Challenges Are Back !

Each month we will have one or more new assigned topics (ATs) and all club members are encouraged to submit photos based on the given topic(s). This is not meant to be a competition and photos won't be scored, but rather they will be discussed at meetings and posted to the forum where we can make comments and receive feed-back on submissions. It's a chance to be creative, share a special photo, do something different, and have some fun. Topics for the rest of this club year are listed below so you can begin to work on them now. Pictures are due by the regular meeting each month, so start to send in your pictures now. Size them as you would for a competition, with the horizontal being no larger than 1024 and the vertical being no longer than 768. Try to keep the file size less than 350.

Send pictures to Gisele, [alwaysdrawing@yahoo.com](mailto:alwaysdrawing@yahoo.com), and to Lazlo, [lazlo1@optonline.net](mailto:lazlo1@optonline.net), so he can post them on the forum. Both of them will be happy to help you if you have any questions or problems with emailing.

### ASSIGNED TOPICS:

**March**.....What A Winter! (Wintry images from this or any other winter)

**April**.....Black and White; Creative Transformation 1

**May**.....It's a Spring Thing

**June**.....Transformation 2--Before and After (An original and one or more modified versions);  
Member Showcase

\*\*June will also be when we select photos for the Digital Circuit.

### Competitions and Salon Contacts

PSA & NECCC entry rules and directions will be sent out to everyone via e-mail, as there is too much information to be included in the newsletter. Please check the club website at [www.houstatoniccameraclub.org](http://www.houstatoniccameraclub.org) or contact **Gisele Doyle** at [Alwaysdrawing@yahoo.com](mailto:Alwaysdrawing@yahoo.com) if you did not receive them or have any questions on preparing and submitting your entries.

All Digital entries for both NECCC and PSA need to be titled, re-sized, and e-mailed to **Gisele Doyle** at [Alwaysdrawing@yahoo.com](mailto:Alwaysdrawing@yahoo.com) at least 3 days before the meeting they are due—see schedule.

For any questions regarding participation and/or preparation for the scheduled *Salon Shows*, please contact our Salon Committee Chair, **Bill DeVoti** at [abundancehill@verizon.net](mailto:abundancehill@verizon.net)

## Club Meeting Schedule 2010–2011

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| <b>Sept 21</b> | Member Showcase   |
| <b>Oct 14</b>  | NECCC & PSA   |
| <b>Oct 19</b>  | Tibet w/ Birgitt Pajarola                                   |
| <b>Nov 16</b>  | Travel / Outdoor Photography<br>w/ Dan Meade & Sally Eagle  |
| <b>Dec 7</b>   | Dinner -<br>Salon selection for Cornwall Show               |
| <b>Dec 9</b>   | NECCC & PSA   |
| <b>Jan 18</b>  | Salon Selection for Noble Show<br>Digital Circuit           |
| <b>Feb 10</b>  | NECCC & PSA   |
| <b>Feb 15</b>  | Digital Circuit   |
| <b>Mar 15</b>  | Tech Night - Digital Art using Photoshop<br>w/ Gisele Doyle |
| <b>Apr 14</b>  | PSA   |
| <b>Apr 19</b>  | Aerial Photography w/ Sergei Fedorjaczenko                  |
| <b>May 17</b>  | Joe Meehan  |
| <b>June 28</b> | Dinner - Member Showcase<br>Year End Wrap-up                |

## Housatonic Camera Club

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month from September–June

At 7:00 pm in

The Lifelong Learning Center

(Wagner Building)

**Noble Horizons**

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[www.Housatoniccameraclub.org](http://www.Housatoniccameraclub.org)



## HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB

### Membership Enrollment 2011–2012



I wish to enroll as a member for one year. Attached is the membership fee of \$25.00, and \$10.00 for each additional family member.

Please hand or mail this form to the Treasurer, Judy Becker  
432 Undermountain Road Salisbury, CT 06068-1101 [judybecker40@att.net](mailto:judybecker40@att.net) 860-435-2263

PLEASE PRINT ONLY ... AND CLEARLY!

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WE WILL SEND YOU OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS, SCHEDULES, AND CLUB INFO.