



In Focus

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FEBRUARY'S PROGRAM

"Early Morning Photography"

with
Scott Simons



Scott Simons started Niagara Falls Hydro in January of 1983 where he met Frank Goulding, a long time Camera Club member. Frank talked Scott into joining the club that fall, making this year Scott's 24th year in the NFCC. Scott was a diehard slide shooter until he made the switch to digital about 5 years ago, and hasn't regretted the decision. Scott has won many awards over the years including 1st place in the nature category at the NFRCC Convention in 2001. In 2002, Scott won the Kodak Award for Photographic Excellence. He has been on the executive of the club since 1984 and has also served as treasurer of the NFRCC.

If you don't know by now, Scott's main photographic focus has been nature or more specifically close ups of bugs.....either you like them or you don't. Since he does most of his photography in the early morning before most people think of getting out of bed, he thought he would show people what the world looks like at that time of day. His program "Early Morning Photography" will cover a variety of subjects with an emphasis on "bugs".

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

February 4, 2008

Program

"Early Morning Photography"

by Scott Simons, Niagara Falls Camera Club

February 11

Monthly Slide & Print

Competition #6

March 3

Members' Night

March 17

Slide & Print of the Year Competition

April 7

19th Rainbow Competition

Scott will give you loads of information and hopefully he will urge you to get up early and head out with your camera, some good friends, and a large double-double. Scott's latest challenge is teaching his son Steven the photographic "ropes" and getting him out of bed early enough to tag along. **F**

Members' Night - March 3, 2008

At this meeting, members can share their images with the other club members. This presentation usually takes the form of a slide show, which can be put to music or can be narrated, but members can also share their images with a print display. **F**

47th Annual NFRCC Convention

Holiday Inn, Grand Island, NY

April 11-13, 2008

Keynote Speaker: **George Lepp**



George D. Lepp is one of North America's best-known contemporary outdoor and nature photographers. His passions for natural beauty, technical precision, cutting-edge technology, and environmental responsibility are revealed in his beautiful and compelling photographic images. He is also widely recognized for his unique dedication to sharing his photographic and biological knowledge with other photographers through his seminars and writing. In both realms, George Lepp is a leader in the rapidly advancing field of digital imaging.

Lepp is regularly read in popular photographic magazines; he is the field editor of PCPhoto and Outdoor Photographer, where he has a monthly column.



Photos by George Lepp

Other speakers include:

Mark Bowie

- Adirondack Waters: Spirit of the Mountains and Photography at Night

Joe Lefevre - Approaching the Landscape

Richard States - Hands on workshops

Herb Jones - Casual Portraits

Ellen Anon - Photoshop CS3

Richard Lynch - Photoshop Elements

Mark Konezny - Sports Photography

Jim Patton - Travel Photography

Convention Rates: **\$100 - Full Convention**

\$85 - Saturday Only

\$60 - Sunday Only (9 - Noon)

A Banquet meal is included with the Full Convention and Saturday tickets.

Members are asked to register with Paul Patterson, NFCC Treasurer.

Hotel accommodation is \$79(US) per night. This rate is guaranteed until March 11, 2008. To book a room, please call Holiday Inn at 1 877 472 6310.

For further information, please visit the website
www.nfrcc.org

Slide & Print Of The Year Rules

March 17, 2008

The rules, and judging information, relating to this competition are as follows:

a) In the **Colour, Black & White Print** and **Slide** categories, exhibitors are permitted to enter:

4 only Colour Prints

and/or

4 only Black & White Prints

and/or

6 Slides/Digital Images

b) **Slides, Colour Prints** and **Black & White Prints** entered **MUST BE THE SAME ENTRIES** that were entered in the monthly competitions during the Camera Club year, i.e. September 2007 to February 2008.

c) This will be an open competition. There will be **NO SEPARATION RELATING TO ENTRY CATEGORY**. i.e. Pictorial, Portrait, Nature, Photo Journalism, Creative, Action.

d) Judging will be aimed at selecting top six (6) entries in Slides, the top six (6) entries in Colour Prints, and the top six (6) entries in Black & White Prints. From this selection process the Judges will then choose the **slide of the year**, the **colour print of the year** and the **black & white print of the year**.

1st Place - Print/Slide Of The Year

2nd Place - Runner Up

3rd Place - Runner Up

4th Place - Honourable Mention

5th Place - Honourable Mention

6th Place - Honourable Mention

e) Please ensure that an entry card, with your name on it, is attached to the back of each print that is to be entered.

Also, please print your name & title of the image on the back of each print.

f) Entry cards are also required for slide entries. However, please ensure that the maker's name and the title of the image are printed on the slide mount.

g) For digital images, please email Karen Fulham the file names of your selected entries by March 3, 2008.

h) The entries will be judged by a panel of 3 judges.

THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES IS FINAL.

Monthly Competition Scores - February 2008

Slides

Group	Name	Entries	Awards	Points
Bronze				
	Jacqueline Dingman	15	15	244
	Denis Audette	15	15	243
	Terry Babij	15	15	243
	Lynn Audette	15	15	236
	David Andrews	15	15	231
	Donna Dalglish	15	14	224
	Cliff Empey	15	15	223
	Debbie Wright	15	13	222
	Steven Simons	15	15	218
	Peter Veillette	15	11	214
	Jacqueline Kennedy	15	12	213
	Dorothy Seabourne	15	13	213
	Gerda Amoraal	15	13	207
	Caroline Meyer	12	11	176
	Denis Grantham	12	12	173
	Derek Bottomley	9	9	135
	Kirk Stokes	3	3	48
	Ronda Burnett	3	3	40
Silver				
	Ken Borutski	15	12	215
	John Burroughs	15	7	193
Gold				
	Dean Cruikshank	15	6	197
	Audrey Perry	15	6	194
	Carol Jessop	15	0	153
	Eugene Dickson	15	1	152
	George Keeley	12	6	130
Diamond				
	Leslie Khan	15	10	235
	Karen Fulham	15	11	233
	Chris Empey	15	10	231
	Scott Simons	15	9	222
	Laura Cardwell	15	7	210
	Sharon Murray	15	5	198

Colour Prints

Group	Name	Entries	Awards	Points
Bronze				
	David Andrews	10	10	157
	Jan DiMartino	10	10	154
	Peter Veillette	10	10	154
	William Stokes	10	8	134
	Dorothy Seabourne	8	8	121
	Kirk Stokes	8	7	117
	Bill Feder	6	3	70
	Derek Bottomley	6	4	68
	Robert Forsey	4	3	47
	Debbie Wright	2	2	29
	Doug Banas	2	2	28
	Jeremy Hutch	1	1	15
Silver				
	Denis Audette	10	9	156
	Lynn Audette	10	9	155
	Terry Babij	10	8	148
	Donna Dalglish	10	8	143
	John Burroughs	10	5	123
Gold				
	Laura Cardwell	10	9	159
	Jacqueline Dingman	10	8	155
	Cliff Empey	10	5	134
	Carol Jessop	4	1	47
Diamond				
	George Beehler	10	5	145
	Leslie Khan	10	5	143

Monochrome Prints

Group	Name	Entries	Awards	Points
Bronze				
	David Andrews	10	10	154
	Jan DiMartino	10	9	147
	Peter Veillette	9	8	131
	Kirk Stokes	8	6	113
	William Stokes	6	4	76
	Bill Feder	6	1	61
	Jeremy Hutch	2	0	19
Silver				
	Terry Babij	10	10	156
	Lynn Audette	10	9	148
	Denis Audette	10	7	143
	John Burroughs	10	5	127
	Derek Bottomley	2	2	29
Gold				
	Jacqueline Dingman	10	7	151
Diamond				
	Leslie Khan	10	7	153
	George Beehler	10	3	133
	Chris Empey	10	3	130

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