



Southern Illinois Photographic Society

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February 2015 Newsletter

January Meeting

Our program for January was "Tessellations as Applied to Photography," given by member Karen Carlton. Karen introduced us to the idea of tessellations, which is a method of breaking down a shape into smaller, regular pieces. The word comes from a Latin word for the small cubical pieces of stone or glass used to make mosaics. Tessellations were a favorite topic of artist M. C. Escher, who experimented with space-filling patterns of shapes. Artist David Hockney is known for his posters in which he used tessellated elements, such as contrast, perspective, converging lines, angles, repetitions, and reflections.

Karen shows three main ways to create tessellations: manually, using filters in Adobe Photoshop, and using dedicated tessellation software or plugins. For the first approach, she manually cut, arranged, and pasted elements from multiple prints of the same photo. She then showed how this manual process could be done digitally from within Adobe Photoshop. For dedicated tessellations software, she referred us to tessellations.org, which has more information and links.

For Show and Tell, Jonathan Springer brought some photos of a Maas-Rowe Vibrachime, circa 1954. This was an early electromechanical chime instrument, commonly sold for use as a carillon in churches. Dave Hammond also brought an EOS 1D Mark II and a Panasonic Lumix. He's looking to sell the 1D for \$600 and the Lumix for \$100.

SIPS has a number of member shows ongoing or in the works. Dave Hammond has arranged for SIPS to exhibit in the main

building at John A. Logan College. The photos are up now through Feb. 23 in the main building there. Another venue we are discussing is the Varsity Center for the Arts in Carbondale, so if you missed the JALC show, watch for this one. Finally, keep in mind that Mr. Koolz in Marion is featuring a SIPS member each month. Jo Dodd and Joanna Gray are up through the first week of February. Next month Dave Hammond will be showing.

Nature Photographer Tom Ulrich will be making his annual presentation at SIU Carbondale at 7pm on March 17. The presentation, which is cosponsored by SIPS and the SIU Alumni Association, will be given in Lawson 161.

Our contest for the month was "Patriotic." The winners were:

- 1st place: Lynn Love
- 2nd place: Myers Walker
- 3rd place: Mike Hicks

Congratulations to these winners. Next month, our contest is "Hats."

Calendar of Events

February

Meeting: Feb. 3

Program: Photography Fundamentals,
Bill Randall

15 Minutes of Fame: Dana Tetzlaff

Contest: Hats

Outing: TBA

Planning Meeting: Feb. 17

March

Meeting: Mar. 3

Program: Online Sales, Sharon Wittke

15 Minutes of Fame: Jonathan

Springer

Contest: Playtime

Outing: TBA

Planning Meeting: Mar. 17

April

Meeting: Apr. 7

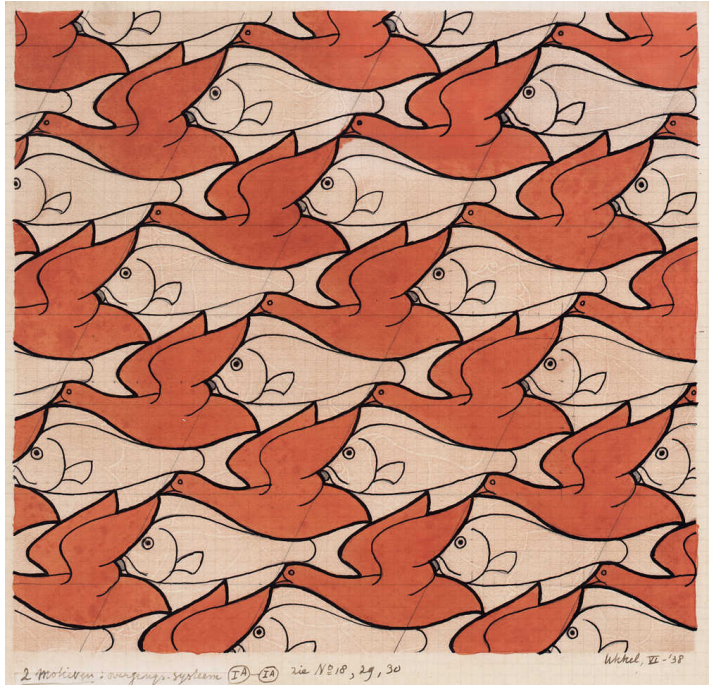
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15 Minutes of Fame: TBA

Contest: Playtime

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Planning Meeting: Apr. 21



Bird / Fish, M. C. Escher, 1938

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All the news and upcoming events!