

September 2021 Digital

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No Novice Entries This Month																			
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ADVANCED

Title	T	A	T	B	T	C	C	A	C	B	C	C	I	A	I	B	I	C	Total	Award	Judge's Comments	Member
I See You	5	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	38	HM	Cool find! Good composition, color and background.	Jim McGraw
Monarch	3	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	4	4	3	32									Beautiful capture! The focus is sharp on the wings and the flower the butterfly is resting on. Curious if you have tried different crops?	Scott Breach
Adult Lecturing Juvenile	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	3	4	29										The interaction of the adult eagle with the juvenile tells a story. The adult's eye is nicely in focus! The photo could be improved by lifting the shadows (especially on the juvenile's head) and decreasing the noise as much as possible while still maintaining the details in the birds.	Chuck King
Ready to Leap	5	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	4	35										Subject is sharp and in focus, background is nicely blurred.	Jim McGraw
Pink and Yellow	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	38	HM									Well done! There's no doubt what the subject is as it is sharp and placed well in the frame, the soft background takes a supporting role.	Lorene Shepherd
Catching Morning Rain Drops	4	3	5	3	3	4	4	3	5	34											Very interesting photo of the raindrops and reflections on the plant! It appears that the protruding leaves on the bottom right of the photo may not be in focus as well as those in the upper part of the photo. I love the idea and really like what you did with it!	Jack Howells

Catch Air	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	4	4	36		Nice subject. Not including the edge of the bowl is distracting to me. Not seeing it makes me look there instead of at the boy.	Stephanie Nelson
Circles	4	5	5	4	5	5	4	5	5	42	3rd	There is so much to look at in this image! The eye is drawn to the warm colors but looks around the frame at the cooler colors and back again -- well seen.	Jeremiah Gardiner
Eye on the Pollen	4	4	3	4	4	3	4	4	4	34		Your focus on the bee is spot-on! The photo could be improved by cropping it to make the bee larger (and so it will be obvious that the bee is the subject of the photo. By cropping, you would also delete some of the distractions in the background. And although the flower is not the main subject, you want to clone out as many of the petal holes and spots as you can. Then adding a vignette would help isolate the bee, pollen, and the center of the flower that is visible.	Jack Howells
Brown Eyed Susans	4	3	4	5	3	3	4	4	3	33		Nice colors and composition. Brighten the bee a bit to make it the focal point.	Lorene Shepherd
Drying Flowers	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	29		The flowers are very colorful even when dry. Wondering about the subject of the red flowers, left of center, and what might happen if the crop were changed to emphasize them more?	Donitta Gardiner
Kermit	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	44	1st	Love the focus on the left eye! Good work with dof. If your file is large enough, I would crop a little off the top.	Jeremiah Gardiner
Building on the Past	3	4	4	3	5	4	3	4	4	34		Good choice for a B&W image. I would like to see more of the bulding.	Stephanie Nelson
Flip	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	27		The calm waters caught a nice reflection of the trees.	Chuck King

Sweet Innocence	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	44	2nd	Fun photo! Love the colorful dresses, fancy hairdos and bows, and muddy, wet feet! The focus, background colors, and reflections add to the story!!	Terry Holdren
Delicate Lily	5	4	3	4	5	4	5	4	4	38	HM	Very nice. The focus on the stamens and the depth of is good. Maybe crop off the right side to eliminate the white spot.	Terry Holdren
Caterpillar Lunch	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	29		An image well seen. It appears the focal point is on the body of the caterpillar. Realizing it's a small subject and wondering if the story would be more impactful if the focal point were moved to the caterpillar's head and mouth.	Scott Breach
Money Dreams	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	35		Interesting photo. The sign and the sign reflection seem to be in the best focus. I think that the vignette works well, but I would put a little light on his face/head (radial filter or brush?) to highlight him and his cool glasses-:).	Donitta Gardiner

MASTERS

Title	T	A	TB	TC	CA	CB	CC	IA	IB	IC	Total	Award	Judge's Comments	Member
Waiting for Dinner		5	5	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	39		Great timing with the tongue and eyes, good focus and sharpness. Maybe crop some off the right	Deb Shoning
Feed Me		5	4	4	5	4	5	5	5	4	41		Love this family, background is a big bright distracting from loons	Janie Lawson
Red Flower		5	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	43	HM	Beautiful flower, good depth of field and exposure.	Barb McGraw
Bayfield		4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4	35		Nice sunset captue of the sky and water. The composition is a bit muddled with a jumble of masts and wires, not really leading anywhere.	Sarah Becker
Fire Breathing Dragon		5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	44	2nd	WOW - nice job! Love the fire and shot is super sharp, great color.	Diane Lowry
A Bit of Protein		4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	44	3rd	Excellent photo; I love the soft background. Good exposure.	Deb Shoning

A Beautiul Garden	4	4	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	39		Lovely and very appropriate placement of the bird in a natural surrounding. Almost like a great painting. Perhaps darkining some of the out of focus background would highlight the bird and flowers more.	Janie Lawson
Peony When the Bloom is Gone	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	4	5	35		Very interesting, lighting is a bit harsh, wish flower was sharper. Composition is pleasing.	Dwight Tomes
Still Hungry	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	5	4	39		Awesome catch of a honey bee. . .you are brave!	Patty Foster
Memories	5	5	4	4	5	5	4	5	5	42	HM	Absolutely stunning in boldness, brightness, color, definition, and detail. I feel the roses divide the picture, my eyes go right and left again and again, not good. Perhaps if the gloves were on the right, the composition would flow better. The roses divide the photo, not good.	Patty Foster
Lost Creek Falls	5	5	5	3	5	5	3	5	5	41		so peaceful, I feel I can touch the water, very lovely	Sarah Becker
Floating-along	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	5	4	37		Sweet photo, good composition and depth of field.	Barb McGraw
Into the Looking Glass	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	45	1st	Great photo, great black and white. Composition, interest, detail, tonal range, ate all top notch.	Diane Lowry

THEME																			
Title	T	A	T	B	T	C	C	A	C	B	C	C	IA	IB	IC	Total	Award	Judge's Comments	Member
Hanging by a Thread		3		4		0		3		4		0	3	4	0	21		Interesting image with the leaf hanging by a thread. I would like to see more detail in the leaf and less in the background. Maybe taking the shot from a dfferent perspective would give the leaf more impact.	Barb McGraw
Sister Spat		4		5		0		4		4		0	4	5	0	26	HM	Love the red on white contrast and that I can see one face. The detail in the fur is excellent.	Dwight Tomes
Day Glow		4		4		0		4		4		0	4	4	0	24		Lovely image with great colors and light. I would like to see the flower in the front a bit sharper.	Jack Howells

Practice, Practice and Concentration	4	4	0	4	4	0	4	5	0	25		Love the colors! Great action shot. It has a lot going on.	Jim McGraw
Grand Marais Light	4	5	0	4	5	0	5	5	0	28	HM	Striking image with great colors and impact. I am surprised this was not accepted, but the landscape division is one of the most competitive.	Sarah Becker
Butterfly	4	4	0	4	4	0	4	4	0	24		Nice nature shot. Nice background.	Scott Breach
Coming in for a Landing	4	5	0	5	5	0	5	5	0	29	1st	Nice sharp image with great impact! It is tough to get a bee in flight! I am surprised this image was not accepted!	Janie Lawson
NeheNehe	4	3	0	3	4	0	3	4	0	21		I love the patterns of the snails and the single point of focus, but the glare on the black item distracts me from the snails.	Stephanie Nelson
Radiance	4	5	0	5	5	0	5	5	0	29	2nd	Lovely and striking image. The only distraction is the reflection in the top of the middle bottle. I am surprised this was not accepted in the fair. I really like the soft background and the foreground too.	Michael Callison
Tunnel	3	4	0	3	4	0	3	4	0	21		A lovely old tunnel. Makes me want to know what's inside or where it goes.	Donitta Gardiner
Little Shepherdess	4	5	0	4	5	0	5	5	0	28	3rd	Wonderful image! My only suggestion would be to lighten the shadows a bit. I am surprised this did not make it in. Was this submitted in places or people?	Patricia Timmons