

The Wisconsin Photographer

2020 Awards Issue

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2020 WPPA State Competition and 2020 Image Judging and More

2020 Grand Awards

Presented the

PPA National Award:
Tracy Van Zeeland

Presented the

Hall of Fame:
Patrick Clifton

Presented the

Honorary Fellowship:
Randy Peterson

Presented the

Meritorious Service:
Jamie Steeno

Presented the

Special Appreciation:
Tad Meddaugh

Welcome WPPA!

.....The Volunteer by:

Carl Joseph Roberts

Sometimes the things that they do
Come from deep within their souls
Others may not understand
The passions that they hold

They will give their time to others
If they know there is a need
Volunteer to help someone
Get them back up on their feet

They do not ask for money
Want no payment in advance
Expect nothing to be given
When they lend a helping hand

The moment that we understand
They do this free of charge
Is when our lives begin to change
And it fills our inner heart

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Message from the President



All of us involved with photography know the challenges we have faced over the past year. As President of the WPPA, I am grateful for the help and guidance this association has given me, and I know I wouldn't be where I am at in my photography career without it!

With that in mind, I want to call out to all present and former members, plus any new photographers to renew and / or join the Wisconsin Professional Photographers Association. Now more than ever, is the time to reconnect and get involved!

Why join WPPA? First of all, it's one of the best ways to grow in your quest to become a better photographer. You'll get the first hand opportunity to meet some of the best photographers in the nation!

Before I joined WPPA, I had no idea Wisconsin was blessed with so many fantastic, accomplished professionals who are passionate in their craft and willing to share! I've learned "you become the photographer you hang out with" and the benefits belonging to this association move on from there:

- The fellowship and networking opportunities to connect first hand with leaders in the industry!
- Mentorship opportunities abound. All we need to do is reach out and ask. Our members have proven time and again to come to the aid of one another.
- We are excited to announce our annual Print Competition on March 17, 2021. Get together with other WPPA photographers to help prepare your images for PPA Districts. It's the best way to get your degrees in becoming a Master Photographer! Awards will abound as well! Go to our website, www.wppa-online.com for updates and details.
- Our annual convention! Wisconsin will continue to be the hub of some of the most creative and innovative photographers you will ever find in one place. Our print competition will be followed by our "Shoot out at the OK Corral" on May 15&16, 2021, a two day event featuring Jenn Lewis sponsored by Miller's and our own John Hartmann and Fuzzy Duenkel. Early bird registration is March 15 for this event—go online and get registered!
- Throughout this year, our WPPA board will be promoting "Tag Along Shootouts" giving anyone interested a chance to go out into the field and photograph together. Stay tuned and join us on our next excursion to hang out, have some fun, and maybe learn a few ideas in the process.
- We are excited to announce our Refer a Photographer section on our website which will give anyone the chance to see WPPA member's bio, contact information, and image samples. We want to promote you and your business!

Ultimately, we want to help you learn the best ways to make your photography passion sustainable and profitable. The future is exciting, and we look forward to evolving and growing out of this Covid era. Join us, hang out with us, grow with us and see where it takes you on your journey to become the photographer you want to be.

Tim Koll, CPP
President

Awards

Congratulations to all Award Winners!

Clean Sweep

Clean Sweep



Timothy Koll

Clean Sweep



Jamie Steeno

Clean Sweep



Kenneth Martin

Clean Sweep



Michael Kallies

Awards

Wisconsin Top

Wisconsin Top 10



Kenneth Martin

Wisconsin Top 10



Jamie Steeno

Wisconsin Top 10



Michael Kallies

Wisconsin Top 10



Krystal Lamberty

Wisconsin Top 10



Timothy Koll

Wisconsin Top 10



Tracy Van Zeeland

Wisconsin Top 10



Steve Kemp

Wisconsin Top 10



Randy Peterson

Wisconsin Top 10



Jenny Popelka

Wisconsin Top 10



Kim Martin Berg

Awards

Photographer of the Year Portrait

I started out in high school. I took a photography elective class to fill up my schedule so I didn't have to go to study hall.

Back then we used film for everything and we processed all black & white at the school in a very small 4ft x 5ft darkroom closet.

I really didn't know what I was doing at the time and processed my very first roll of film and used photo print stop bath by accident which ate the emulsion off the film ...

I'll never know if those photos were great or not. The second roll of film was processed correctly and so was the next. ... and the next. .. and the thousands to follow.

Soon I was photographing every school event and the yearbook and school newspaper was littered with nothing by my photographs. I spent more time processing film and printing photos in the dark room than I did any other class at school. I would help out my instructor photograph parties and events including weddings.

It wasn't long until he asked me if I wanted to photograph a wedding on my own. I agreed to do the wedding saying, "sure as long as they don't expect much." I was able to use the school equipment, two medium format Mamiya 645 cameras. The clients covered the cost for the film and processing and paid me \$125.00 to photograph the wedding. My mom had to drop me off and pick me up because I was only 15 years old at the time.

And thus, my photography career began ..

After I received my first merits I made a personal goal for myself. I wanted to earn my Master's Degree by the time I was 40. Well I turned 40 in 2018 and I'm happy to say I get my Master's Degree in January 2019 in Atlanta! I couldn't think of a more suitable sponsor than the person who started me on this path years ago, so I am proud to have Tracy VanZeeland stand by my side while I receive my degree. I have had many mentors along the way, one of the most important being my girlfriend and fellow photographer and WPPA member, Krystal Lamberty. I would not have been able to accomplish this milestone without her help and guidance. Our friendly little unofficial personal photo competition with each other makes what we do even more fun!

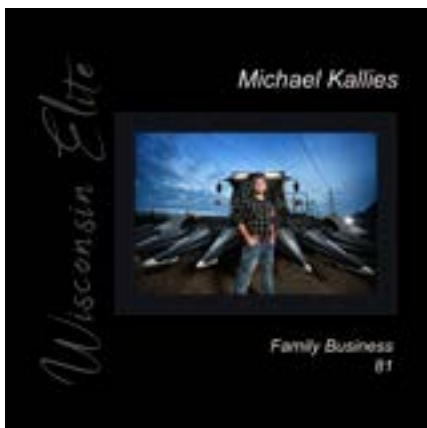
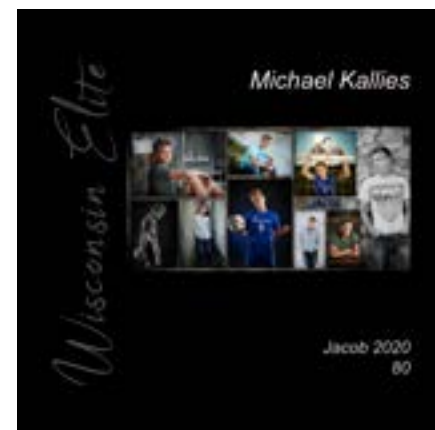
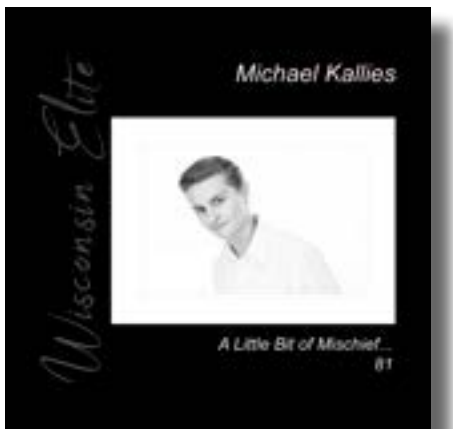
Photographer Of The Year- Portrait



Michael Kallies

Awards

Photographer of the Year Portrait - Michael Kallies



Awards

Photographer of the Year Portrait - Runner Up

Silver Tree Studio, based in Mount Horeb, just 20 minutes west of Madison and 10 minutes from Verona we're a nice short drive into the country side of what starts the beautiful driftless region of Wisconsin.

We specialize in unique, beautiful, and vivid photography. We love color, but sometimes you simply can't go wrong with a beautiful soft matte or classic black and white portrait. We

get to know you, your family, and your style so we can collaborate together to create great work.

Whether by our own doings or necessity we all know how busy life is these days. We work harder to make your life easier. We help you plan your session, we create your visions, we help you choose the right prints and decor, and we provide an elegant finished collection ready for your home. We focus on the entire experience, not just creating a picture.

I studied the technical side of photography through many course hours. Starting out with a degree from Madison College and furthering my education by earning my Master of Photography degree through the Professional Photographers of America.

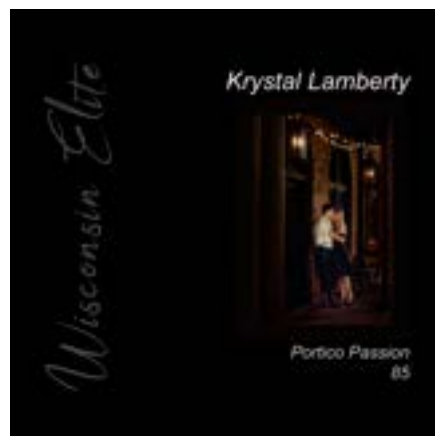
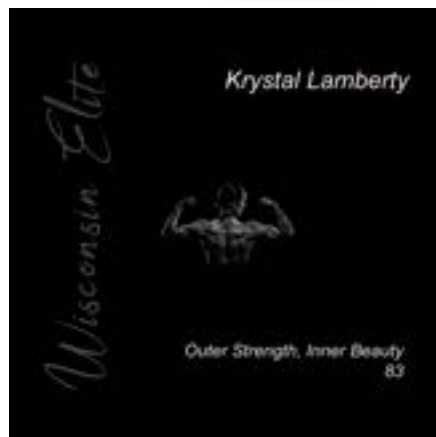
I love to network with my fellow photographers and always learn new trends, techniques and technology.

There isn't a day that goes by that I don't learn something new. If you choose me to be your photographer, I'm honored, and know that I work hard so you can trust me with your once-in-lifetime moments.



Awards

*Photographer of the Year Portrait -
Runner Up - Krystal Lamberty*



Awards

Photographer of the Year Combined

Print competition to me is one of the greatest benefits to having a membership in the WPPA. Why you ask?

Here is where I struggle with the number one reason, is it the friendships that I have made thru mentorship that I received or is it the new knowledge and techniques that I picked up from all the help that was given. You decide.

My first WPPA print competition my highest scoring print was a 75, this past year I received my first 100 score.

Photographer Of The Year- Combined



Kenneth Martin

Quite a journey but would have never made it this far without asking for and receiving help along the way.

This my friends is what membership in the WPPA has been to me. This is what it can do for you but first you have to ask.

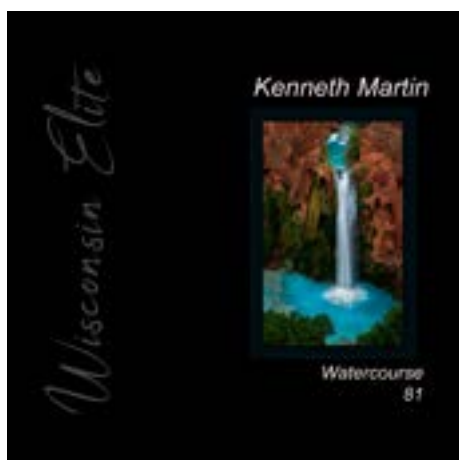
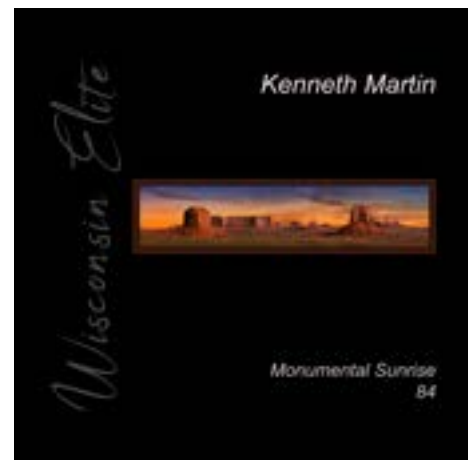
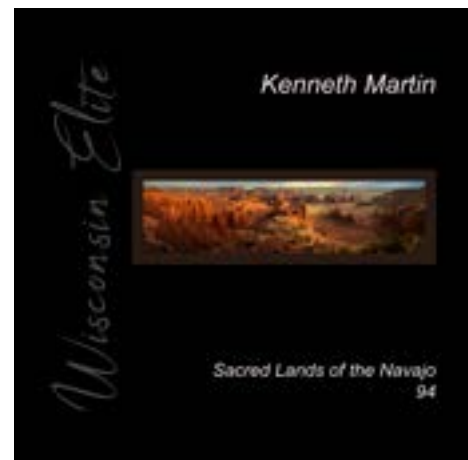
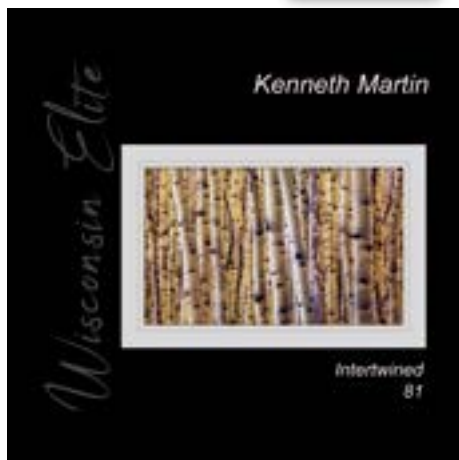
The mentorship of fellow members along with the feedback that I received from the judges, all the critiques have been an influence on how my work looks today. Recent years I have been experiencing a full circle as I have been the one offering others help with their images for print competition, it brings a sort of satisfaction seeing someone else get their first LOAN at IPC or someone receiving their Masters from PPA. I love helping others as I am giving back what I received in my early years. We are all in this together and as a group of same interest working together makes us all stronger more accomplished image makers.

I have been active in the WPPA in service and print competition since 1985. I am proud to have held a number of board positions including Trade Show Chair twice, Print Chair twice, Convention Chair 6 times plus a number of miscellaneous board positions. I have been honored to have received a few print awards including, 10 Kodak Awards, 1 Kodak Elite Award, GIA Platform 3 times taking home 1st place GIA 2015 and a 3rd place GIA 2021. I was also on the World Photographic Cup team for 2015 traveling to France and bringing home a Silver Medal, the only Wisconsin photographer to ever receive one. I have also received the WPPA's Photographer of the Year 8 times along with many Best of Shows, Court of Honors. Top Ten WPPA 13 times along with the WPPA's 4 for 4 pin 13 times.

It is always an honor receiving the Photographer of the Year Award.

Awards

Photographer of the Year Combined - Kenneth Martin



Awards

Photographer of the Year Combined Runner Up

I come from a business background with degrees in Accounting, Business, Leadership and Communications.

I had been interested in photography from a very young age. I had taken any photography courses that I could in high school. I continued taking them at NWTC.

I have been taking pictures since a little girl. It was both my mom's and dad's fault. Mom always used a Kodak camera with the little flash bulbs and when dad would get her a new one it was my turn, at the age of 7 or 8 I started to be the family historian also. My dad was the movie camera guy. Dad had a movie camera in his hands most times. We have movies upon movies of our family events and trips.

Most of my positions included taking promotional images for the company.

When I got my Masters in Leadership and Communications, my boss bought me a camera for my graduation gift. One of the images I had taken with that camera for the company ended up on the cover of Transport Topics.

Photographer Of The Year- Combined, Runner Up



Jamie Steeno

I met Ken Martin in 2013 and he said that I should join WPPA so I could continue my education in photography and network with the Wisconsin photographers. I joined the WPPA in October and I even had several images that I entered at the November print competition because I was told this is how you learn. I was introduced to the print crew and help do what every they needed.

In January 2014 I went to Imaging USA. I met so many WPPA members that crossed the stage at IUSA. I saw all these prints hanging in a gallery, they were the general and loan collection. I studied them.

At the 2014 WPPA Spring State Convention I participated in my first State and District Print competition. I was also on the print crew. My Image Moody Blues made it to the WPPA Elite Collection and later went loan at IPC. That was an image I photographed on the way to IUSA.

At 2014 IPC I entered 3 landscapes and 1 portrait. I loaned on my landscape Moody Blues and Merited on my portrait Smo-Ken. I decided on a goal to get my masters in 3 years. Ken laughed at that comment. But I knew I had the greatest mentors, retired members and current members in the WPPA and current members in PPA.

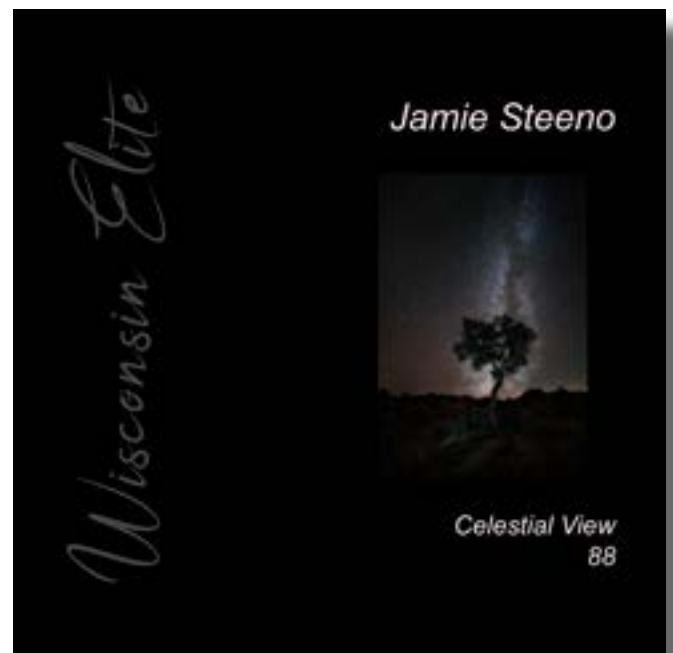
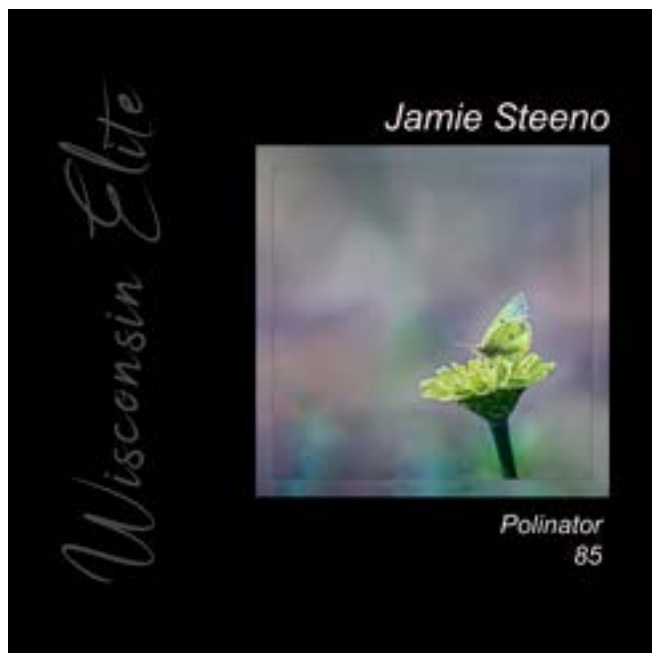
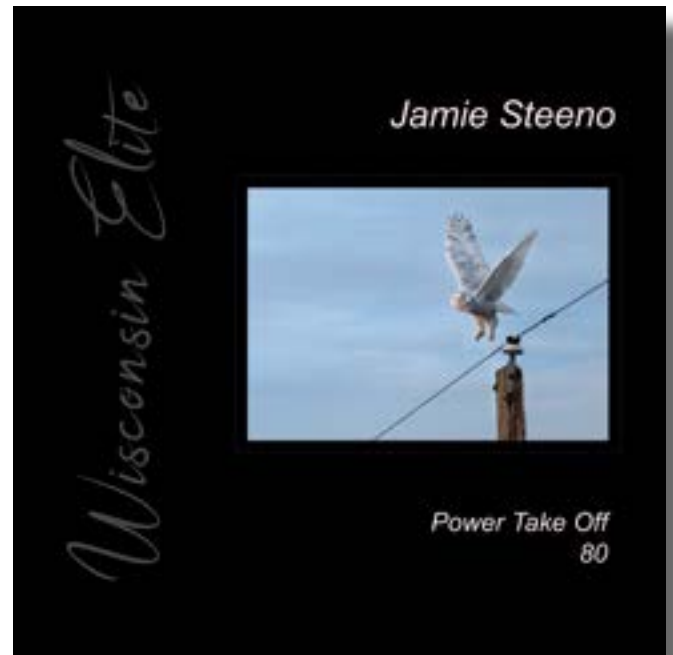
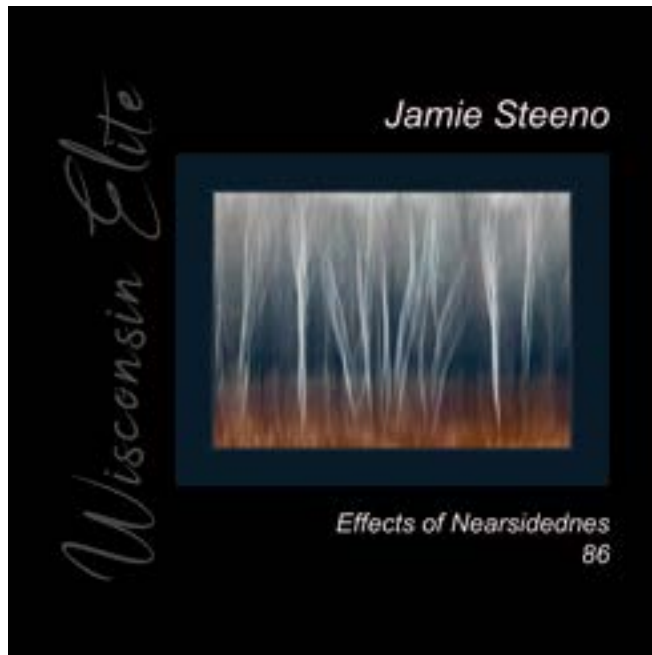
I figured if I would volunteer for anything and everything in the WPPA and PPA I would meet the most amazing photographers and artists. I purposely wanted the host and hospitality chair in the WPPA because I could have the judges and speakers in my vehicle and have a private coaching session. I would start to follow their work and learn about them. I volunteered at PPA Imaging, and got to take care of the speakers. I was a PPA Ambassador one year. My mentor Kenneth J Martin is the most amazing photographer and Photoshop guru. He has taught me so much about composition and telling a story that now I am mentor. My point is, talk and study people and continue to learn and volunteer.

By Attending workshops, seminars, conventions and Imaging USA you will gain so much knowledge about photography. You will also make forever friends and have such a great network to fall back on, you should set goals, ask for help, stretch beyond your comfort level.

It is a great honor winning the Photographer of the Year, Runner Up.

Awards

*Photographer of the Year Combined
Runner Up - Jamie Steeno*



Awards

Best of Categories

Laura Rossiter – Laura McArthur Photography
Baraboo, WI

Award winning photographer offering headshots, web images, and creative portraiture.

I've always had a camera in my hand. From processing film in the darkroom, to creating award-winning, storytelling images, I've photographed everything from university sporting events to European streets.

I use advanced lighting, posing and Photoshop techniques to create professional portraits and marketing images that wow.

My downtown studio is perfect for studio portraits, product sessions and meetings. More often than not, I take my gear on location to clients' homes and businesses. Have camera, will travel!

Shoot me an email, and we can talk about your upcoming session!

Mike Kallies – MK Photography
Oconto Falls

First and foremost, Mike is a devoted dad, and his dedication to his two teen children is inspiring! "I try to spend as much time with my kids as I can...creating memories together is what it's all about!" He's also an avid sports fan—especially with football—and is quite proud of his extensive movie collection. "I am a fan of cinema for the storytelling, the art, the lighting, the acting, the entertainment—you name it, I like it all." When not out on the ball fields coaching or photographing, or in the house watching movies, you'll find Mike sitting around a campfire someplace in the great outdoors!

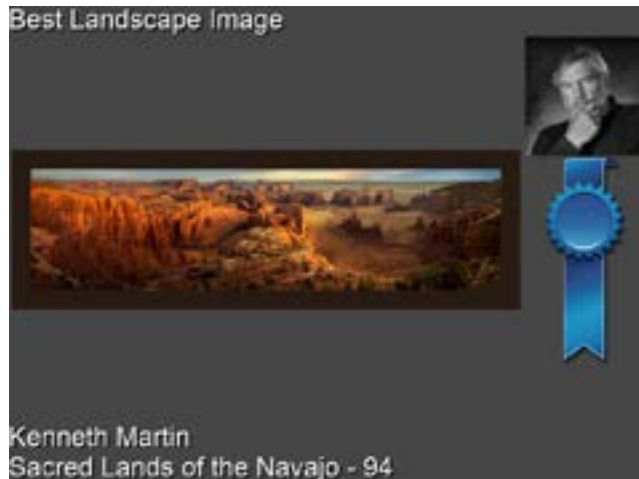
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Awards

Best of Categories



Kenneth Martin – Martin Photography
De Pere, WI

Hunt's Mesa is inside Monument Valley is a guided only trip to the top of the mesa. I decided the best way to capture this scene was to create a photo merge, so I leveled the tripod, camera, set nodal point then proceeded to make 28 captures to be later merged in Photoshop, after processing the images together

I ended up with a 1.1gig file.

One of the upcoming mentor events for WPPA members will be on creating photo merges.

Shoot me an email, and we can talk about your upcoming session!



Jamie Steeno, Jamie's Fine Art & Photography
Green Bay

I enjoy all types of photography.

Macro is always fun. Learning the tools that you may need to create a good image is a good idea. Studying others that do macro is one of the things that I do, learning different techniques to try.

It helps when you plant your own flowers and wait for them to bloom. Then it is creation time.

I recommend using a tripod when you can. I use focus bracketing when there is a need. You need to keep everything in focus. Sometimes I use my Canon EF 100mm f/2.8L, or I use my canon EF100-400. Add a few extension tubes and you are all set.

Keep learning and practice, practice, practice.

Awards

Best of Categories

Best Couples (Non- Wedding) Portrait



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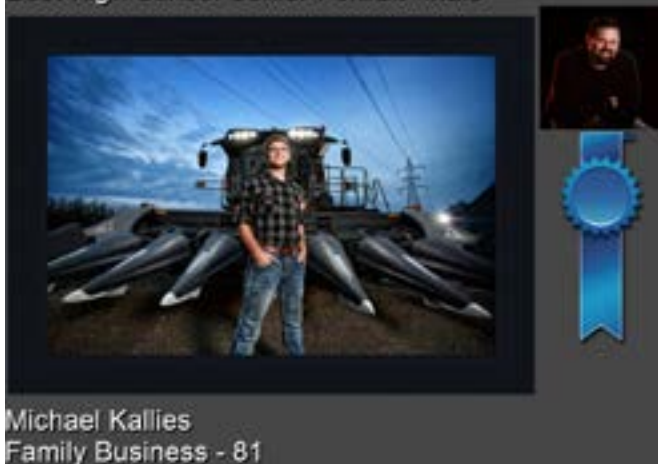
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Best High School Senior Portrait- Male



Michael Kallies
Family Business - 81

Awards

Best of Categories

Best High School Senior Portrait- Female



Timothy Koll
Prince Charming's Glimpse - 86

Tim Koll - TKoll PHOTOGRAPHY
Waupaca, WI

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About his passion for photography, Tim says "I love the chance of capturing people in their environment with that certain slant of light." Voted the "Best Photographer of the Waupaca Area" for 2011, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019!

PPA (Professional Photographers Association), Certified

National Merits Award Winner

Highest Scoring, Non-Member



Melinda Macey
Hidden Beauty - 85

Melinda Macey – Forever Fotos
Richmond, Missouri

I'm the owner of Forever Fotos located in Richmond, MO. Besides being a photographer, I'm a wife to my wonderful husband Chris and mom to Clayton and Maddie.

High school senior photography is my passion!!!

With Forever Fotos your not "just" getting your portraits taken, it's all about the experience!! Each session is tailored to you, your likes and dislikes, your personality....We want you to shine through.

We are with you every step of the way. We help you choose a session that fits your needs, a location to fit your style, at the photo session we will help style, pose and light you so you'll look YOUR BEST!! When it's time for your ordering session we're there to help walk you through the process with no pushy sales tactics.

We are proud to be members of PPA, PPA of Missouri, PPAGKC and Professional Photographers of the Ozarks. Where we are always continuing our education in Photography, growing our business and most importantly staying on top of all the new trends in photography.

Awards

Best of Categories

Best Senior Folio- Female



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Best of Show!

Best Of Show- Portrait



Krystal Lamberty
Portico Passion - 85

Best Of Show- Illustrative



Jamie Steeno
Effects of Nearsidednes - 86

Awards

Best of Show!

Best Of Show- Wedding



Krystal Lamberty
Meet me under the old Oak... - 86

Best Of Show- Artist



Tracy Van Zeeland
Opposites Attract - 87

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Judges Choice!

Judges Choice- Dan Thornton



Kenneth Martin
Sacred Lands of the Navajo - 94

Judges Choice- Sarah Seeley



Michael Kallies
A Little Bit of Mischief.... - 81

Awards

Judges Choice!

Judges Choice- Christie Newell



Timothy Koll
Out of the Fog - 83

Judges Choice- Toni Harryman



Jamie Steeno
Effects of Nearsidednes - 86

Awards

Judges Choice!

Judges Choice- Rich Newell



Krystal Lamberty
Portico Passion - 85

Judges Choice- Bob Hawkins



Timothy Koll
Prince Charming's Glimpse - 86

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Court of Honor!

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Steve Kemp
A Winters Day - 80

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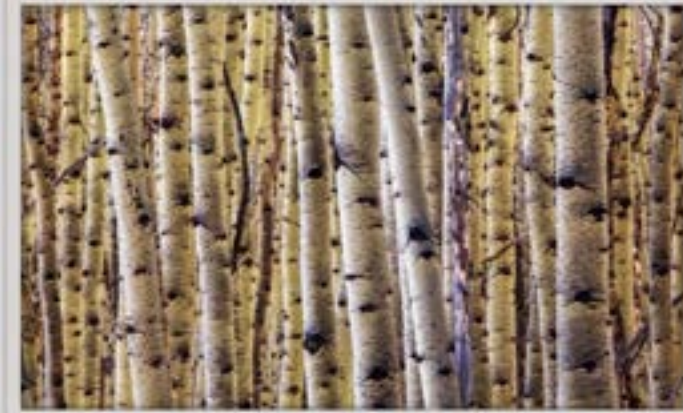


Jamie Steeno
Celestial View - 88

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Kenneth Martin
Intertwined - 81

Court Of Honor



Krystal Lamberty
Outer Strength, Inner Beauty - 83

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Court of Honor!

Court Of Honor



Michael Kallies
Don't Tempt Me - 86

Court Of Honor



Jenny Popelka
Peeling Back My Mask - 80

Awards

Outstanding Rookie Achievement!



Heike C. Ol'Day - Heike C. O'Day Photography

Heike grew up with a camera in her hand (or in her face!). Her Father – a wonderful and passionate photographer as well – was the first one to introduce her to this Art. He showed her some of the tricks and skills of traditional photography.

Over the years, Heike has added to that knowledge through constant continuing education in various aspects of the photography business. This allowed her in the summer of 2018 to earn her national certification as a professional photographer (CPP) through the PPA.

She also is a Photographer and Digital Retouch Artist with the Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep Foundation, an organization that provides remembrance photography to parents suffering the loss of a baby with the free gift of professional portraiture.

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Outstanding Achievement!

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Awards

Creative Genius!



Tracy Van Zeeland - M.C. Kinney Photography
Appleton, WI

Specializing in High School Seniors, Families, Santa Storybook Art, Nostalgic Children Portraits, Newborns, Maternity, Children, Pets, Sports, Schools/Clubs, Events, Bands, Executive, Commercial, Food.

Appleton, WI Owner/Photographer Tracy Van Zeeland is a Master Photographer and with 24+ years professional experience. Tracy was the 2020 Recipient of the PPA National Award, given for dedication and service to the profession of photography. Tracy was the 2020 Wisconsin PPA Artist of the Year and Photographer of the year Runner Up. In 2019, Tracy was the WPPA Photographer of the Year and the Artist of the Year Runner Up.

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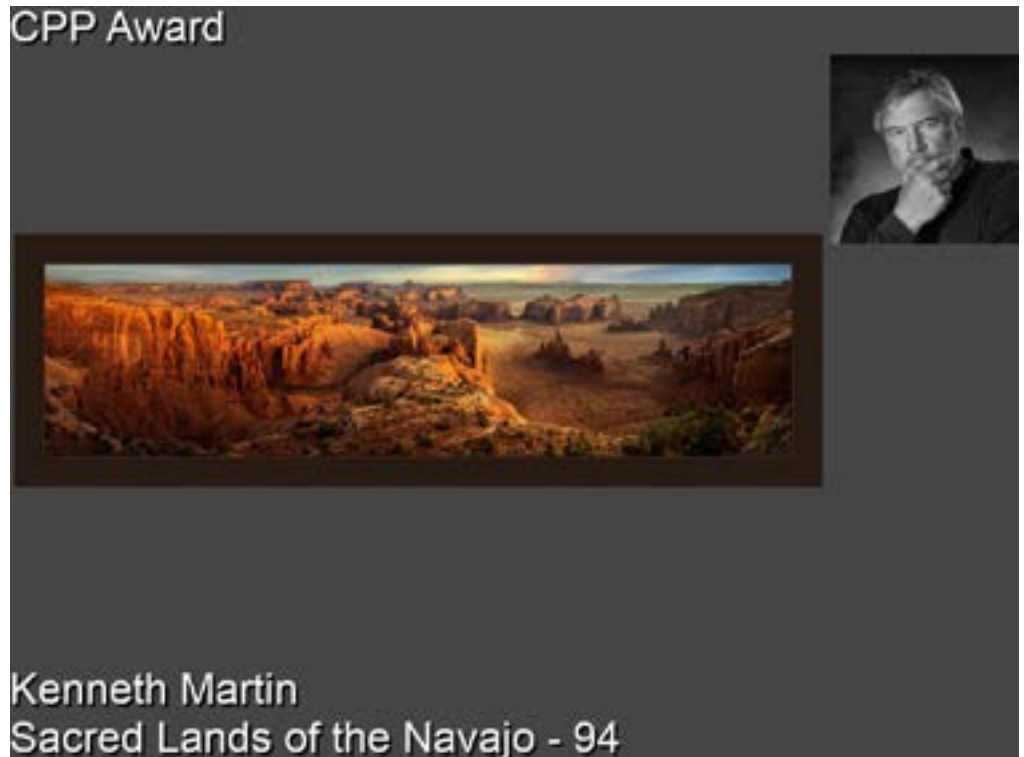
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Awards

CPP Award!

The Certified Professional Photographer Award recognizes the highest-scoring Certified Professional Photographer (CPP) print, album or electronic submission in competition. Recipients will receive an award with the CPP-credential



What is certification?

Every industry has its benchmark. The Certified Professional Photographer (CPP) designation is ours. No matter your specialty, the CPP is a fundamental step in mastering your craft. Whether you're just getting started or have years of experience under your belt, you'll come out of the certification experience with the knowledge you need to succeed as a photographer in this competitive business.

Why should you get certified?

Since 1977 our CPP program has empowered photographers to be knowledgeable, successful, and technically-equipped. We've heard countless stories of how the CPP has given members a leg up on the competition by inspiring confidence, justifying pricing, and conveying competence. How will it impact you?

Awards

ASP State Elite Award!

The ASP State Elite Award is presented to the ASP member in good standing with the highest scoring entry at their State Print Competition.

The award is sponsored by Miller's Lab.

The ASP State Elite Award



Kenneth Martin
Sacred Lands of the Navajo - 94

ASP is a society of professional photographic artists who aspire to maintain the highest level of excellence by adhering to ethical standards, stimulating creativity and continually refining technical competence.

The goal of the organization is to promote education, foster fellowship and perpetuate the ideals of photography as a science and an art.

Grand Awards

PPA National Award!



Volunteers are truly the lifeblood of PPA and its Affiliates. Every association has those extraordinary volunteers whose efforts on behalf of the Affiliate and its members deserve special recognition. Seeking a way to thank these individuals PPA created the National Award in 1958. The National Award is offered by PPA to state, regional, national and international affiliated organizations on a yearly basis. The award recognizes those who generously contribute their time and talents to the service of their profession, their affiliated organization and their fellow photographers.

Selections of the award are determined by the recipient's peers, adding to its distinction and value.

The highest honor granted by a PPA Affiliate, it recognizes those whose support for photography goes far beyond any regular expectations or contributions. The simple inscription on this plaque reads "for service to professional photography" – but we know that this award means far more than that.

This award may be given to a member or a non-member, or to someone outside of the field of photography. The only restrictions are that the individual must have performed outstanding service to the profession of photography and that no individual may receive more than one National Award from the same group.

The National Award is presented by WPPA on behalf of PPA.

Grand Awards

PPA National Award Presented to:

Tracy Van Zeeland

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Grand Awards

Honorary Fellowship Award!

Honorary Fellowship



Randy Peterson

The highest honor that WPPA can offer for selfless, uncompromising dedication to the achievement of contributions, which eminently advance the image of professional photography, is the Honorary Fellowship.

This is awarded to an individual, not necessarily active in professional practice, but who has contributed greatly to photographers and photography. He or she may or may not be a member of PPA or WPPA.

This award is given for special recognition – it requires 3/4 WPPA Board approval.

The Honorary Fellowship is awarded with a gold medal on a red and purple ribbon.

Grand Awards

Honorary Fellowship is Presented to:
Randy Peterson

Randy started Countryside in 1972 as a wedding and portrait studio in rural West De Pere. Randy began his career that same year as a journalist for Green Bay and Appleton newspapers.

By 1976, he was photographing dozens of weddings and high school seniors, when he moved his fledging studio operations to Seymour.

In 1981, He became the first video chairman for Wisconsin and his commitment to his State Association was born.

He has been President of the Fox Valley PPA, WPPA, and the American Society of Photographers.

Randy served as a PPA councilor from 1986 - 2011 and has retired as an international image juror advising other photographers on the merits of quality image creation.

He holds three degrees from the Professional Photographers of America; Master of Photography, Photographic Craftsman. And Master of Electronic Imaging. Randy earned the WPPA Full Fellowship degree .

Currently he enjoys life memberships from the Fox Valley PPA, the Wisconsin PPA, the Professional Photographers of America and a honorary life from the American Society of Photographers.

He has won numerous State Print and International Awards including Hall of Fame, PPA's National award and PPA's "Photographers of the Year" bronze thru platinum.

Grand Awards

Hall of Fame Award!



The Association's highest award, to be given out rarely, only to a Wisconsin photographer who has become nationally known for his/her photography and/or service to the profession of photography.

Must have been in the business of photography for 20 years or more.

This recipient has been officially recognized locally and nationally with awards, has appeared on state and national platforms, has earned merits, and has unquestionable character and business ethics.

The recipient is a Full or an Associate Fellow in the WPPA.

The award is recipient is approved by the Board of Directors.

Grand Awards

Hall of Fame Award Presented to:
Patrick Clifton

I was born in Spencer Iowa in 1950.

I moved to Chippewa Falls in 1952 and went thru the Chippewa school system graduating in 1968.

I spent some time in college and then joined the workforce.

I married Carol Jacobs in May of 1972 and started working for her parents, Dick and Marion Jacobs in Nov. of 1972. I learned how to run a color lab first and then how to photograph weddings, seniors, families and anything else that needed to be photographed.

I joined WPPA in 1980 and started volunteering that same year as Fall Convention Chair. From then on I was willing to help out whenever I could. I have helped in some capacity for over 30 plus years.

I became president of WPPA in 1989 and have held about every position WPPA has. Many of them multiple times including convention chair.

I have also received every award our association has to offer.

I am very fortunate to be a member of WPPA where I have made many friends that I will cherish for ever. These include Debbie and Randy Peterson, Mike and Kris Alt, Doug and Carol Foemmel and Richard and Cindy Standeven.

I received my PPA Masters Degree in 1994.

I have 2 daughters and 2 grandsons and will become a grandparent again in August.

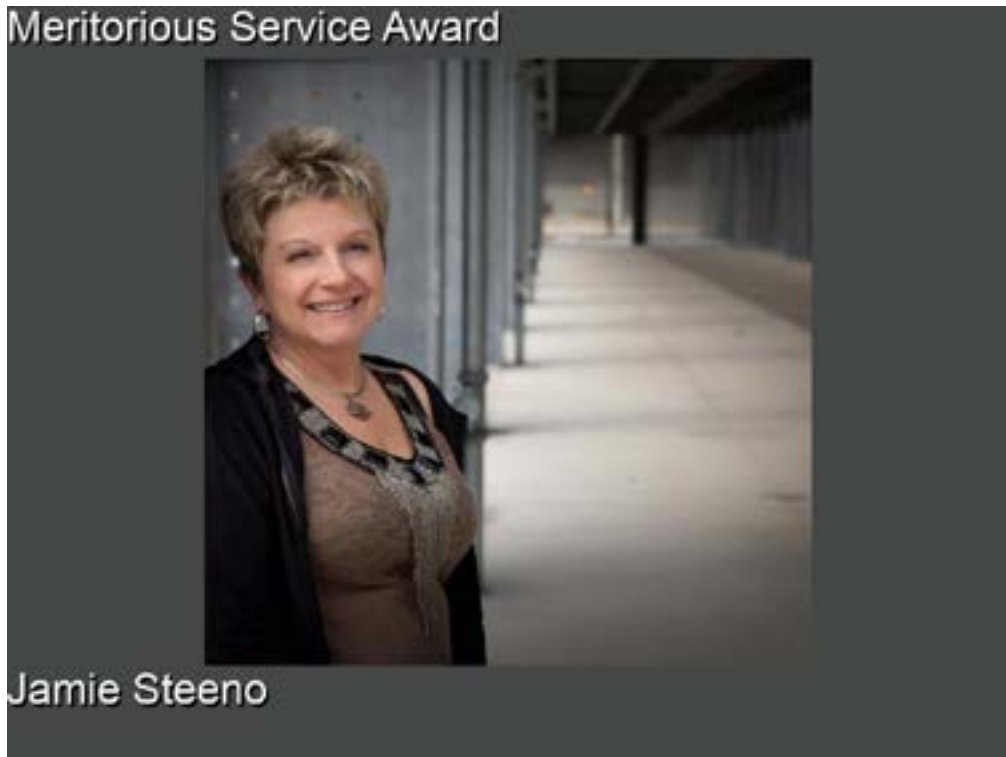
I am retired from photography but will stay active with WPPA for as long as I can.

On my personal side I have just finished my 43rd year officiating high school basketball for WIAA. I also work summers at Lake Hallie golf course and for the Village of Lake Hallie as a park employee. I also work VIP security at Countryfest and Rockfest during the summer. Besides officiating basketball during the winter I coach 8th grade boy's basketball. I plan on staying active in things for many years to come.

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Grand Awards

Meritorious Service Award!



The award recipient has been in the profession of photography 10 years or more, has unquestionable integrity, and good business ethics.

Must have a good reputation as a photographer in their home community.

Volunteers, service in civic affairs, clubs, lodges, or religious work.

Must have appeared on three state or national platforms, demonstrations, or lectures, or taught at some recognized school or served on the WPPA Board for three years.

This individual has met all the above requirements.

Grand Awards

Meritorious Service Awards Presented to:

Jamie Steeno

Jamie Steeno, Green Bay
Jamie's Fine Art & Photography

I come from a business background with degrees in Accounting, Business, Leadership and Communications.

I had been interested in photography from a very young age. I had taken any photography courses that I could in high school. I continued taking them at NWTC. I have been taking pictures since a little girl. It was both my mom's and dad's fault. Mom always used a Kodak camera with the little flash bulbs and when dad would get her a new one it was my turn, at the age of 7 or 8 I started to be the family historian also. My dad was the movie camera guy. Dad had a movie camera in his hands most times. We have movies upon movies of our family events and trips.

Most of my positions included taking promotional images for the company. When I got my Masters in Leadership and Communications, my boss bought me a camera for my graduation gift. One of the images I had taken with that camera for the company ended up on the cover of Transport Topics.

I met Ken Martin in 2013 and he said that I should join WPPA so I could continue my education in photography and network with the Wisconsin photographers. I joined the WPPA in October and I even had several images that I entered at the November print competition because I was told this is how you learn. I was introduced to the print crew and helped do what ever they needed done.

Since then I have served as a volunteer at Imaging USA for Several years including being a PPA Ambassador. I have volunteered for print crew, Host and Hospitality since I joined WPPA. I figured if I would volunteer for anything and everything in the WPPA and PPA I would meet the most amazing artist. I purposely wanted the host and hospitality chair in the WPPA because I could have the judges and speakers in my vehicle and have a private coaching session. I would start to follow their work and learn about them.

I have served on the WPPA Board since 2015. I earned my Associate Fellow Degree from WPPA in 2016 and received it at convention in 2017. I earned my Full Fellow from WPPA 2018 and received it at the 2019 convention. I received my Master of Photography from PPA in 2016 and received it in January of 2017.

I am constantly looking for ways to streamline businesses, including WPPA. I have found ways to save money on insurance and different services. I am a business manager for other companies. I volunteer on 2 other boards that also are very rewarding. One I have been on there board since 2001. Another is helping our Veterans, Auxillary of VFW Duck Creek, WI.

I believe in the WPPA and the education of Photographers. I believe in volunteering and the Givers Gain and Takers Loose.

Thank you so much WPPA for this award.

Grand Awards

Special Appreciation Award!



This award is presented to a WPPA member to show appreciation for unusual work done on behalf of WPPA when it is felt this work should no longer go unrecognized.

Grand Awards

Special Appreciation Award Presented to:

Tad Meddaugh

Tad Meddaugh / Photography

M.Photog., Photog. Cr., F-WPPA, F-SCPPA Certified Professional Photographer

Backed by the excellence, integrity and unparalleled service of The Studio, Tad has been a portrait photographer for over 30 years. While some photographers work on a very small scale, Tad is a full time professional all year long, who owns and operates LaCrosse's leading portrait studio.

Monday through Friday you'll find Tad creating some of the area's most outstanding and memorable high school senior, family, executive and children portraits. On most weekends you'll find him in the area photographing on location, at a wedding or at The Studio. Tad has earned the prestigious titles of Master of Photography, Photographic Craftsman and Certified Professional Photographer by the Professional Photographers of America. He has worked hard and, as a result, has become one of the areas finest and most sought-after photographers. He is a past President of the Wisconsin Professional Photographer's association and is actively involved in the association and teaching

He has won numerous awards for his work. His work has been published in national, state and regional photography publications. Throughout the years, he has been named several times as a "top 10" photographer in the entire state of Wisconsin. He has also received the prestigious Photographer of the Year award from the Professional Photographers of America association for several years in the Diamond, Gold, Silver and Bronze levels. With The Studio's standards and reliability along with Tad's artistic and technical ability, you simply can't go wrong.

Image Judging and More - Awards



Top scoring Image award- Ken Martin, Sacred Lands of the Navajo
Score: 100



Top Illustrative Award- Christine Vander Velde, I Dare You
Score: 100

Image Judging and More - Awards



Top Portrait Award- Dana Rose, If He Goes, I Go



Top Artist Award- Judy Reinford, The Fire in Their Eyes

Image Judging and More - Awards



Top Wedding Award- Francie Baltazar, Going to the Chapel

Image Judging and More

Door Prize Winners



Econo Layflat Album Set:	Christine Vander Velde
Fleece Blanket:	Mark Rezansoff
Gallery Wrap:	Eric Pelletier
Memory Book:	David Foltz
Metal Print:	Roy Nierdieck



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