

**The Palo Alto Camera Club  
Year in Review - 2019  
Michael Goldstein Outgoing Co-President**

**OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Co-Presidents: Michael Goldstein & Hilari Hardin  
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**COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

Digital: Dan Hartford  
Print: Joe Petolino  
Membership: Suszi Lurie McFadden  
Judge Selection: Mary Robins  
Field Trips: Richard Mirabella  
Special Events: Linda Chin  
Exhibitions: Jim Colton  
Web Master: Stephen Migol  
Member At Large: Peche Turner

During 2019 the Palo Alto Camera Club continued many of its previously successful events as well as introducing new ones. The second annual awards night and dinner was held on February 6 at Michael's Restaurant in Mountain View. In alternating months members participated in either a digital or print judged competition. We added a new "Digital Judge Commentary" during which a judge comments in detail on submitted digital images but no ranking is performed. This allows members to receive feedback without the competitive element.

To further our technical skills Dan Hartford ran Lightroom Workshops and Joe Petolino taught us Photoshop techniques. Dan also hosted "Member Image Review" sessions where submitted images are critiqued by fellow members.

Field trips and exhibitions are important club events. We also enjoyed the following:

**FIELD TRIPS:**

1. Chinese New Year Flower Market Fair- 2/2/19
2. Best of Monterey-3/29-3/31/19

3. Pacific Coast Dream Machines-4/28/19
4. Flower & Piano Night-SF Botanical Garden-7/20/19

#### **EXHIBITIONS:**

1. Rinconada Library- Recent Print Winners 5/1-5/30/19
2. Community School of Music and Arts-6/2-6/30/19
3. Palo Alto Art Center-9/19
4. Pacific Art League-10/1-10/25/19: This was the first time the club was featured as a solo exhibitor in PAL's main gallery. The prints were winners from previous monthly and annual competitions. We hope this becomes an annual event.

#### **EDUCATION & SPECIAL EVENTS:**

1. "Biophilia-Painting with Light" Robert Buelteman 3/21/19
2. Community Lecture: "Cultures in Transition" Oliver Klink 5/15/19
3. "Paper Selection for Printing- Charlie Kramer 6/20/19
4. Community Lecture: Julieanne Kost from Adobe 12/4/19

While the Board of Directors makes many important decisions during the year two bear special mention:

Due to the increasing instability and possible obsolescence of our website an alternative was sought. After careful consideration it was decided to use Club Express as the host for our new site. An implementation committee was formed and it is expected that the new site will be operational in mid-2020.

On June 23, 2019 long time member Laurie Naiman died at age 86. In conjunction with his family we organized a memorial event held at the Palo Alto Art Center on September 22, 2019. To honor his memory the Board voted to establish "The Spirit of Laurie Naiman Award" to be presented periodically to a member who embodies Laurie's love of photography, service to club and community. As part of the award the recipient shall choose an image from their portfolio to be designated as The Laurie Naiman Image to be labelled as such and displayed permanently on the club website. The first award will be presented at the Annual Awards dinner scheduled for February 5, 2020.

Submitted by Michael Goldstein  
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