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## 2011 NJFCC TOPS PRINT COMPETITION

Date April 21, 2011  
 Host Club Rockland  
 Judges Marie Kane, Jay Matusow, David Mills

### Competing Entries

Entry Breakdown	# Entries	% of total entries	# images awarded	% awarded
Mono	55	40%	9	16%
Color	84	60%	13	15%
Totals	139	100%	22	16%

### Participating Clubs

Club	# total entries	# cat. entered	% of total entries	# DQ's	% of awards
Hillcrest	26	2	19%	0	14%
Ridgewood	25	2	18%	0	45%
Livingston	5	2	4%	0	9%
Teaneck	10	2	7%	0	0%
Rockland	9	2	6%	0	5%
Cranbury Digital CC	8	2	6%	0	5%
Hub	5	2	4%	1	0%
Monmouth	9	2	6%	0	5%
Gateway	31	2	22%	0	9%
Greenbriar at Whittingham	11	2	8%	0	9%
Totals	139		100%	1	100%

### Color

Maker	Title	Club	Score	Award
Art Lee	Captivating Eyes	LIV	27	PLAQUE
Gabriel Zamudio	Luis Mendez	GATE	26	MEDAL
Mario Edini	In The Red	GB/W	25	MA
Dick Stanton	Welcome To Our Home	Ridg	25	MA
Jia Han Dong	Barn in the Wheatfield	Ridg	25	MA
Peter O' Malley	Snowy Egret / Plummage	Ridg	25	MA
Alda Delorenzo	Approach of the Storm	Ridg	24	HM
Tam Stuart	Jittery Jay	Cran	24	HM
Vicki Devico	Heavenly Heights	Mon	24	HM
Don Myles	Archway View	Hill	24	HM
Bob Baker	One Color	Hill	24	HM
Della O' Malley	Kayaking Over the Falls	Ridg	24	HM
Bun Chan	Fireworks On The Hudson	Ridg	24	HM

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David Pierson	Street Musician	Ridg	25	Medal
Martin Joffe	Blackwater Falls Barn	Rock	25	MA
Peter O'Malley	Rockport Reflected / Lantern	Ridg	25	MA
Art Lee	Look of Innocence	LIV	24	HM
Don Myles	The Unique Bald Cypress	Hill	24	HM
Ed Cohen	Contrasting Buildings	GB/W	24	HM
Rich Gheno	Cloister Arches #1	Ridg	24	HM
Fernando Lopez	Inside My Piano	GATE	24	HM

## EQUIPMENT REVIEW

**Datacolor Spyder Lenscal**  
**Jonathan Lawton**  
**Hunts Photo & Video**

If you own a modern digital SLR, chances are that you have become quite dependent on its quick and accurate auto focus system. The majority of the time, your camera body and lenses work perfectly in sync to give you razor sharp focus right where you demand it. But what if you find that a certain lens seems to be focusing in front or behind your intended target? Normally that means you would have to send your camera and lens to the manufacture to have them professionally calibrated; a costly and time consuming process. Luckily, Datacolor has released a new product designed to allow the consumer to do the very same lens calibration process on their own.

The Spyder Lenscal is a test target that provides you a fast and reliable way to measure and calibrate your camera and lenses' autofocus performance. The device itself is quite simple. It is a black plastic test target that you set up in front of your camera and lens. The left side of the Lenscal features a 12 inch indexed ruler that lies at a 45 degree angle. The front of the target is covered in a white and black "checker-board" to help the camera's autofocus easily lock on.

To start the calibration process, place the Lenscal on a flat and level surface. Set up your camera and lens so that it is aligned with the middle of the Lenscal test target. It is best to mount your camera to a tripod so you can make sure the front of your lens is perpendicular to the test target. Next, set your camera to Aperture Priority mode and take a picture with the lowest "f/ number" possible. Be sure to review your image on the back of your camera at full magnification. Carefully look at the "0" mark on the ruler, it should be in sharp focus. If so, your lens and camera are correctly calibrated. If the sharp area is either in front or behind the "0" mark, you need to adjust your camera's micro AF adjustment to calibrate your lens to the camera. Currently there are about 20 digital SLR (DSLR) on the market that supports micro AF adjustment. If available on your camera, the micro AF adjustment can be found in your custom functions menu.

The simplicity of the Spyder Lenscal makes it quick and easy to view and calibrate your camera and lenses' autofocus accuracy. In little over a half hour, I was able to verify the accuracy of five of my lens and determine two required slight adjustments. The Spyder Lenscal can save you a lot of time and money allowing you to personally calibrating your lenses. The Spyder Lenscal sells for \$59.99.

Jon Lawton is a sales associate at Hunt's Photo and Video in Melrose, MA.

If you have any questions on the Datacolor Spyder Lenscal or any other photo related topic, feel free to contact him at [jlawton@wbhunt.com](mailto:jlawton@wbhunt.com) or at the store at 1-800-221-1830



**RESULTS OF THE NJFCC ANNUAL SPRING NATURE PROJECTED IMAGE COMPETITION**

**April 19, 2011**

Hosted by Tri - County Camera Club

Judges: Phil Echo, NJFC, George Hall, NJFC, Judy Helderman

A total of 232 images were entered. All were digital. Four were disqualified.

**BOTANICAL**

Photographer	Organization	Title	Award
Wayne Klierer	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Water Lily	Medal
Cathy DesRochers	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Pumpkin Flower Bud	Merit
Jacki Dickert	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Spring Maple	HM
Nick Palmieri	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Spring Calla Lily	HM
Bob Pilkington	HUB Camera Club	Iris Majesty	HM
Kathie Meyers	Ridgewood Camera Club	Blowing in the Breeze	HM
Rick Perkowski	Livingston Camera Club	Flaming Day Lily	HM
Susan C. Boston	Monmouth Camera Club	Milkweed Silk	HM

**GENERAL**

Kevin Scherer	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Colored Terraces	Medal
Jacki Dickert	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Quicksilver Icicle	Merit
Wayne Klierer	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Schwabacher's Landing	Merit
Roman Kurywczak	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Old Faithful Greets the Milky Way	Merit
Bun Chan	Ridgewood Camera Club	Schwabacher Landing Morning	Merit
Lynn Ronan	Ridgewood Camera Club	What Lies Beneath the Surface	Merit
Jeff Norton	Teaneck Camera Club	Moraine Morning	Merit
Nick Palmieri	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Clouds Over Courthouse Towers	HM
David Jenkins	Teaneck Camera Club	Wind Blown	HM

**ORNITHOLOGICAL**

Roman Kurywczak	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Osprey's Prize	Medal
Wayne Klierer	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Breeding Terns	Merit
Ellen Moskowitz	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Snowy Egret in the morning	Merit
David DesRochers	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Black-cheeked Woodpecker Feeding	HM
Greg DeAngelis	Cranbury Digital Camera Club	Purple Sandpiper	HM
Nick Palmieri	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Puffin In Flight	HM
Ben Venezia	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Make Room for Me	HM
Al Brown	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Heron Island Departure	HM
Al Brown	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Lift Off	HM
Al Brown	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	Touching Down	HM
Art Lee	Livingston Camera Club	Eagle Looking For Prey	HM
Art Lee	Livingston Camera Club	Flicker In Snow Storm	HM
Barry Wolfe	Livingston Camera Club	Windblown Chickadee	HM
Walter Varan	Princeton Photography Club	Black Skimmer	HM
Marie Kane	Ridgewood Camera Club	Harris Hawk Ruffled	HM
Marie Kane	Ridgewood Camera Club	Hovering Pied Kingfisher	HM
Jeff Norton	Teaneck Camera Club	Curvebilled Thrasher Calling	HM

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ZOOLOGICAL

Jeff Norton	Teaneck Camera Club	Play Time	Medal
David DesRochers	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Baby Olive Baboon, Tanzania	Merit
Jenny Harrington	Camera Naturalist Photo Club	Hunting Pine Martin	Merit
Michael Augustyniak	Cranford / Millburn Camera Club	wasp	Merit
Rich Gheno	Ridgewood Camera Club	Monarch on Loosestrife 2010	Merit
Rich Gheno	Ridgewood Camera Club	Streak Winged Red Skimmer 3	Merit
Dan Kingcaid	Teaneck Camera Club	A Wolfs Stare	Merit
Chris Hornaman	Hillcrest Camera Club	Leave Us Alone	HM
Nancie Bozza	HUB Camera Club	Doris Butterfly	HM
Karen Racz	Morris PhotoColor Club	Gentle Red-head	HM
Bun Chan	Ridgewood Camera Club	In the Hunt	HM
Stanley Kantor	Ridgewood Camera Club	Skipper	HM
Dick Stanton	Ridgewood Camera Club	Hippo at Home	HM
Martin Joffe	Rockland Photo Club	Bushbuck No 6	HM
Dom Leone	Rockland Photo Club	Dinner	HM

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**WHAT'S HAPPENIN' AT NJFCC MEMBER CLUBS**  
**IN**  
**MAY 2010**

Club	Location	Date	Topic	Judge or Speaker
Camera Naturalist	Somerset Co. Env Ed. Center	5/5 5/19	Program: Creative Nature Photography Competition: "Landscapes" and Open	Jacki Dicketrt Tibor Vari
Central NJ	Ray Dwier Centre Groveville	5/5	Competition: MultiColors	Rick Perkowski
Cranbury "Digital"	Cranbury Methodist Church	5/14 5/25	Meeting Competition: Artful Trash	TBA
Cranford/Millburn	Cranford Com Ctr Bauer Com Ctr, Millburn	5/9 5/26	Program or Competition Make-Up Year End Competition	Judy Helderman, Marie Kane, Stanley Kantor
Essex	Caldwell United Methodist Church	5/19	End of Year Competition	Frank Wagner, Chuck Moore, Vinnie Kempf
E.C. Nature	Essex Co. Env. Center Roseland	TBA	TBA	
Gateway	Staten Island	5/4	Theme Competition B&W: Emotions, Color: Macro, Creative: Speed	Vinnie Kempf
Greenbriar @ Whittingham	G@W Towne Centre Monroe Township	5/4 5/18	Workshop: Portraits Competition: Street Scenes	John Sandstedt Joel Morgovsky
Hillcrest	Phillipsburg Pilgrim Presby. Church	5/10 5/24	Regular Meeting and Competition Presentations: Basic Photography; One Photo Shoot	Mike Brint, Howard McGinn
HUB	Mountain Lakes Library	5/11	Pre-Meeting: Adv. Photoshop Competition: Night Shots	Gene Schramm Jerry Fornarotto
Livingston	Sr./Comm. Center Livingston	5/9 5/23	Program: Before and After Year End Awards—Image Presentation, Buffet	5 Club Speakers
Mapleshade/Moorestown	Mapleshade Municipal Building	TBA	TBA	
Metedeconk	Metedeconk Lakes Clubhouse	TBA	TBA	
Monmouth	Colt's Neck Reformed Church	5/5 5/26	Merit Judging Night Photography	Dave Mills Flint Gennari
Morris Photocolor	Morristown Town Hall Sr. Center, 3rd Floor	5/4 5/18	Competition: Open Pictorial Salon—Hospitality	Dave mills
Ocean County	Lakewood High School	5/2 5/9 5/16 5/23	Small Image Critique Presentation: Macro Workshop: Table Top Photography End of Year Competition	Salon Group Marion Gitterman Nanci Ori, Vinnie Kempf, Roz Rosenblum
Photographers of Sussex Co.	Sussex Co. Fairgrounds	5/16	Show and Tell: Flower Photography	Members
Photographic Soc. of Vineland	Newfield Senior Center	5/5	Competition: Nautical and Critique: Before and After	Steve and Claire
Plainfield	Fleetwood Museum North Plainfield	TBA	TBA	
Pocono	East Stroudsburg Uni- versity	TBA	TBA	
Princeton Photography Club	The 1860's House Skillman	5/2 5/11	\$5 Critique: You Get What You Pay For Program: One Photograph Everyday	Ilya Genin Woody Campbell
Raritan Photographic Society	EB Library American Legion	5/12 5/26	Presentation: Shoot Passionately Print Competition: Dramatic Lighting	Brien Szabo Neil Persh
Ridgewood	Women's Club Wyckoff	5/4 5/11 5/18 5/25	Executive Committee Annual Competition  Field Trip Show Annual Dinner	Howard Knauer, Klaus- Dieter Schlein, Phil Echo

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Rockland Photography	Clarkstown Community Center, NYC	5/5 5/19	Competition: Image of the Year Workshop: Flash Photography for Beginners and Intermediate Photographers	Susan and Aaron Pepis Martin Joffe
Somerset County	Bound Brook Memorial Library	5/10 5/24	Competition; Surrealism and Open Program: Photographs Depicting Ordinary American Lives	Lila Polinger Mike Peters
South Brunswick	South Brunswick Public Library	5/4	TBA	
South Jersey	Medford Leas Community Center	5/17	Presentation: Art and the Eye Open Monochrome and Creative	Phyllis Rackow Julie Basello-Holt
Sparta	Sparta Ambulance Squad	5/11 5/25	Critique: Statues/Sculpture Competition: Print of the Year	TBA Tibor Vari
Staten Island	Museum	5/5 5/19	Program: Model Shoot/Lighting Competition: Photos of the Year	Eric Mayr Dave DesRoches, Joel Morgovsky, and???
Teaneck	Rodda Rec Center Teaneck	5/3 5/10 5/17 5/24 5/31	Program: Image Organization Program: EMS—Handling emergencies in the Field Competition; Projected Digital Images Members Meeting Competition: Prints	Art Miceli TBA TBA TBA
Tri - County	Nutley High School  TBD	5/3 5/10 5/17	Competition: Annual Pictorial and Creative Program: TBD Annual Awards Dinner	
Vailsburg	Bailey Civic Center	TBA	TBA	



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