

TPC Snapshot

NEWS FROM THE TETON PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

November 2021

Dear Member,

It's been a beautiful fall in the Tetons and I hope you all got some great shots of the best fall color in years. This month we are switching some meeting dates around so please be aware of the change in times for the Monthly Meeting and PMP meeting.

Happenings

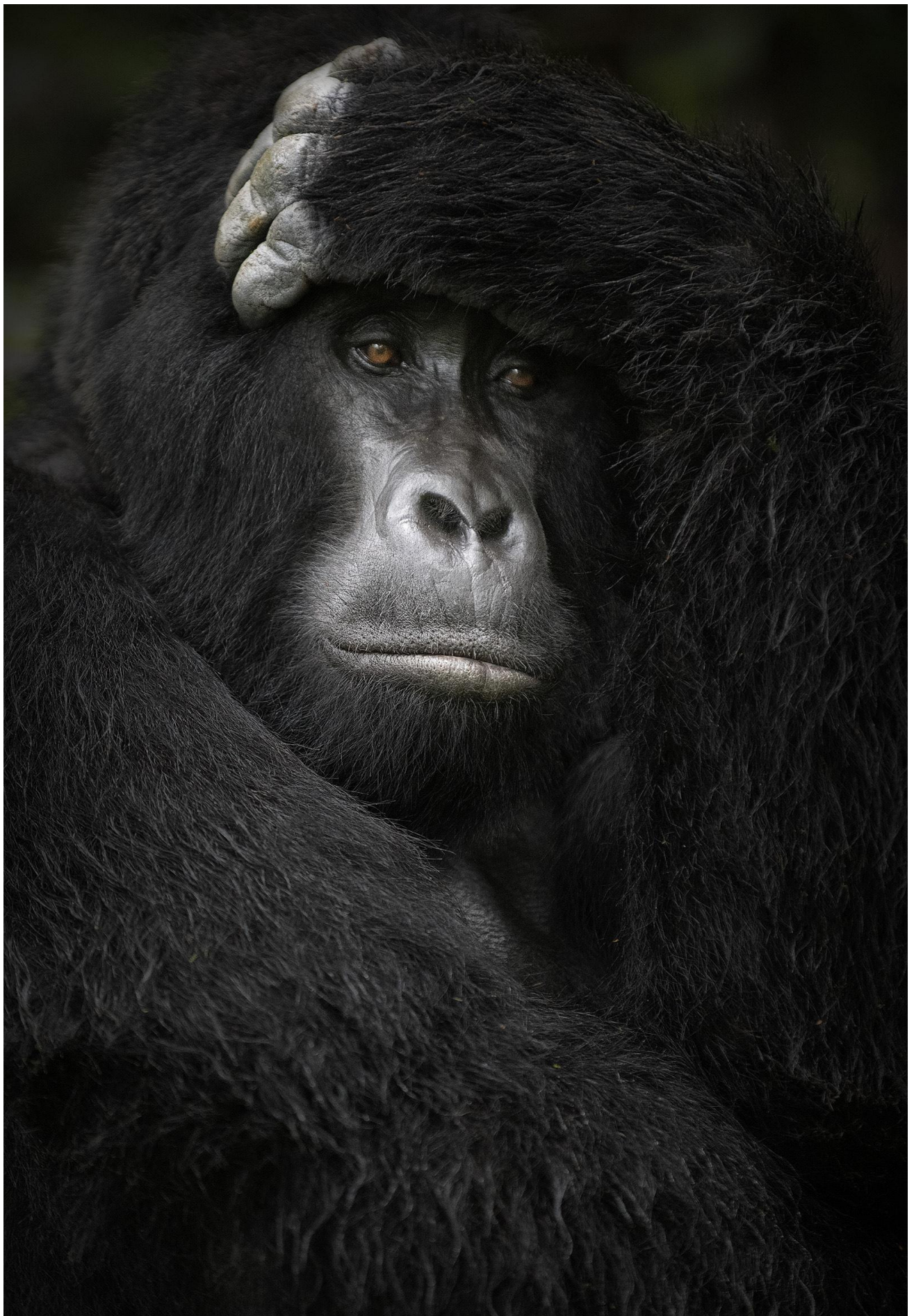
Becoming a Better Wildlife Photographer –

Field techniques and planning to improve your work

Speaking to the Teton Photography Club Via Zoom*

Wednesday, November 10, 2021

7:00pm - Mountain Time





This presentation is for individuals that want to take their wildlife photography to the next level. Hector will share the techniques that he uses while in the field photographing wildlife. Perspective, camera settings, reaction time, and composing in camera are some of the topics he will discuss with us. He will share how he photographs and how he plans ahead of a photo outing. This process has made him very successful in capturing his wildlife images.

Hector D. Astorga is a full-time wildlife photographer based in South Texas. He is the ranch manager of the Santa Clara Ranch, a photography destination that hosts wildlife photographers from all over the world. He also leads and conducts photography tours and workshops at multiple locations in North, Central, and South America, Europe, and Africa.

He has won numerous national and international awards for his work. In 2019 one of his images won the wildlife division of the prestigious Nature's Best Windland Smith Rice International Awards. His images have also won the top awards in the NANPA Showcase, National Wildlife Federation Photo Competition, and the Wildlife in Focus and Valley Land Fund wildlife photography contests in Texas.

Hector is one of the "We Will Not Be Tamed" Ambassadors for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation. The ambassadors are a group of remarkable Texan outdoorsmen and women who stand together and tell stories about Texas, the place that has given them so much. He uses his work for land and wildlife conservation in his home state.

<http://tetonphotographygroup.org/>

*Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89160491852?pwd=L0p1djQza3ptclBqK3dOWGNpdk5Cdz09>

Meeting ID: 891 6049 1852; Passcode: 720284





Member Photo Spotlight

The Theme Challenge for October was Texture/Pattern. There were 14 peer mentors at the meeting to discuss the theme, review a dozen entries, and vote on their favorite photo. We always have a variety of photo entries but for texture/pattern we had an extremely diverse "type" of photos. Some peers felt that a photo should have both texture and patterns, others thought that a photo should be about one or the other, while some members thought texture/pattern should be the main focus of the photo while others thought the photo should have a texture or pattern somewhere in the image. It made for a good discussion.

Tim Libassi's photo of an aspen forest earned an honorable mention. There was a lot of support for the shadows in the foreground.

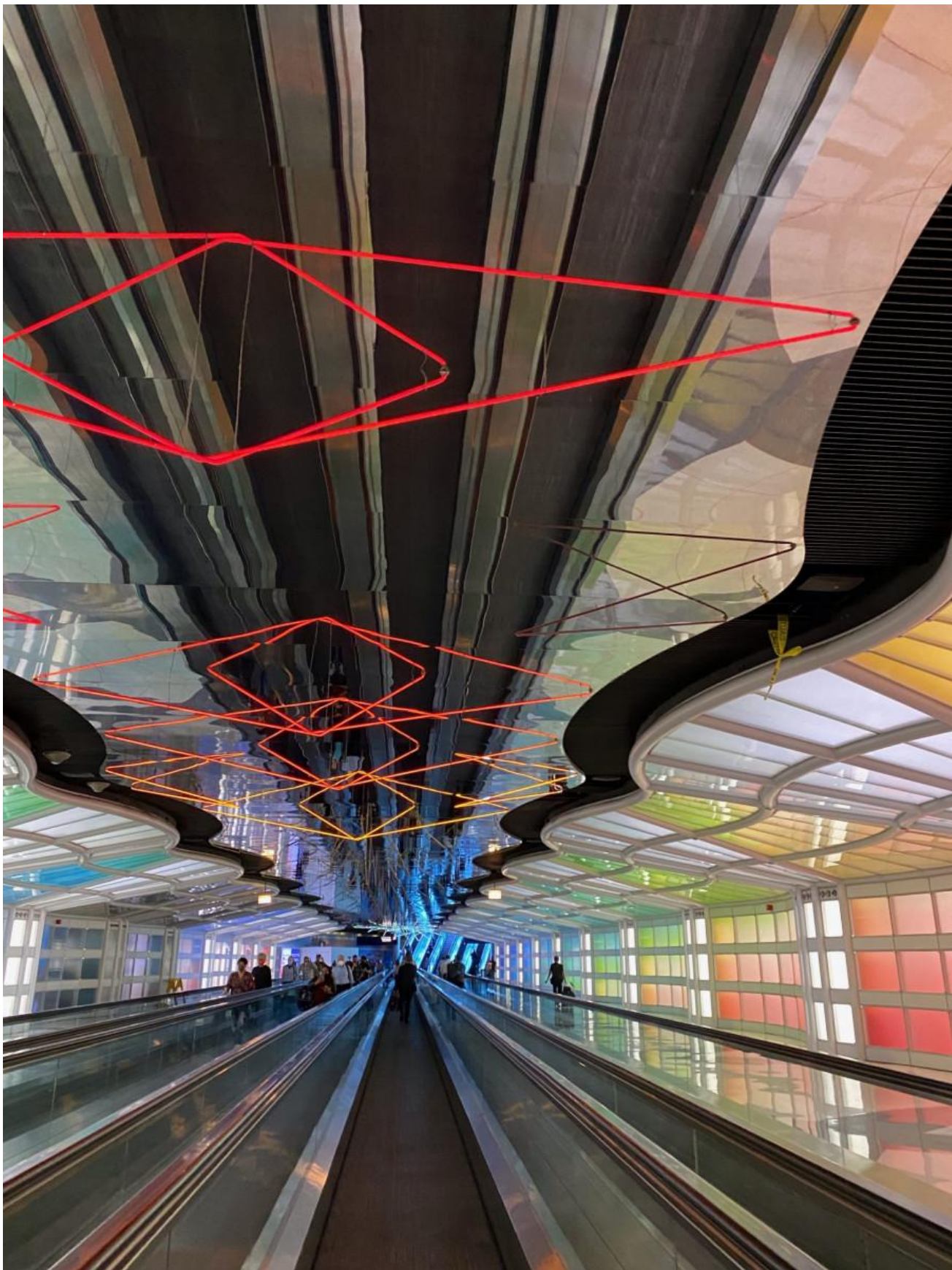
Sue Lurie's photo of a spider web with blurry droplets in the background was voted a tie for 3rd place. The group thought the sharp focus of the spider web in a photo that looked B&W was a pattern that stood out.

Also voted in 3rd place was Tim Cully's orange feathers. The discussion focused on the pattern of the feathers-on-feathers as well as the texture on each of the feathers.

The 2nd place photo was Candy Brad's photo of a small stream in Canada taken from a helicopter. The group spent a long time discussing the texture of the snow and trees that lead the eye from the lower left hand corner of the photo to the upper right hand corner. The group liked how the pattern was black-on-white with great detail.

1st place photo by Becky Hawkins had great contrast to Candy since Becky's photo was a very colorful photo of a tunnel at O'Hare airport. The group really enjoyed the unusual type of texture and pattern that was shown in the lighting along the walls and the triangles in the ceiling. The escalator and the art on the ceiling take our eyes from front to back thru the tunnel.

Becky has decided on Architecture Theme for the November 17th Zoom Meeting.
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT NOVEMBER 17th IS THE 3RD WEDNESDAY IN
NOVEMBER AND THE LAST PEER MENTOR ZOOM MEETING IN 2021.



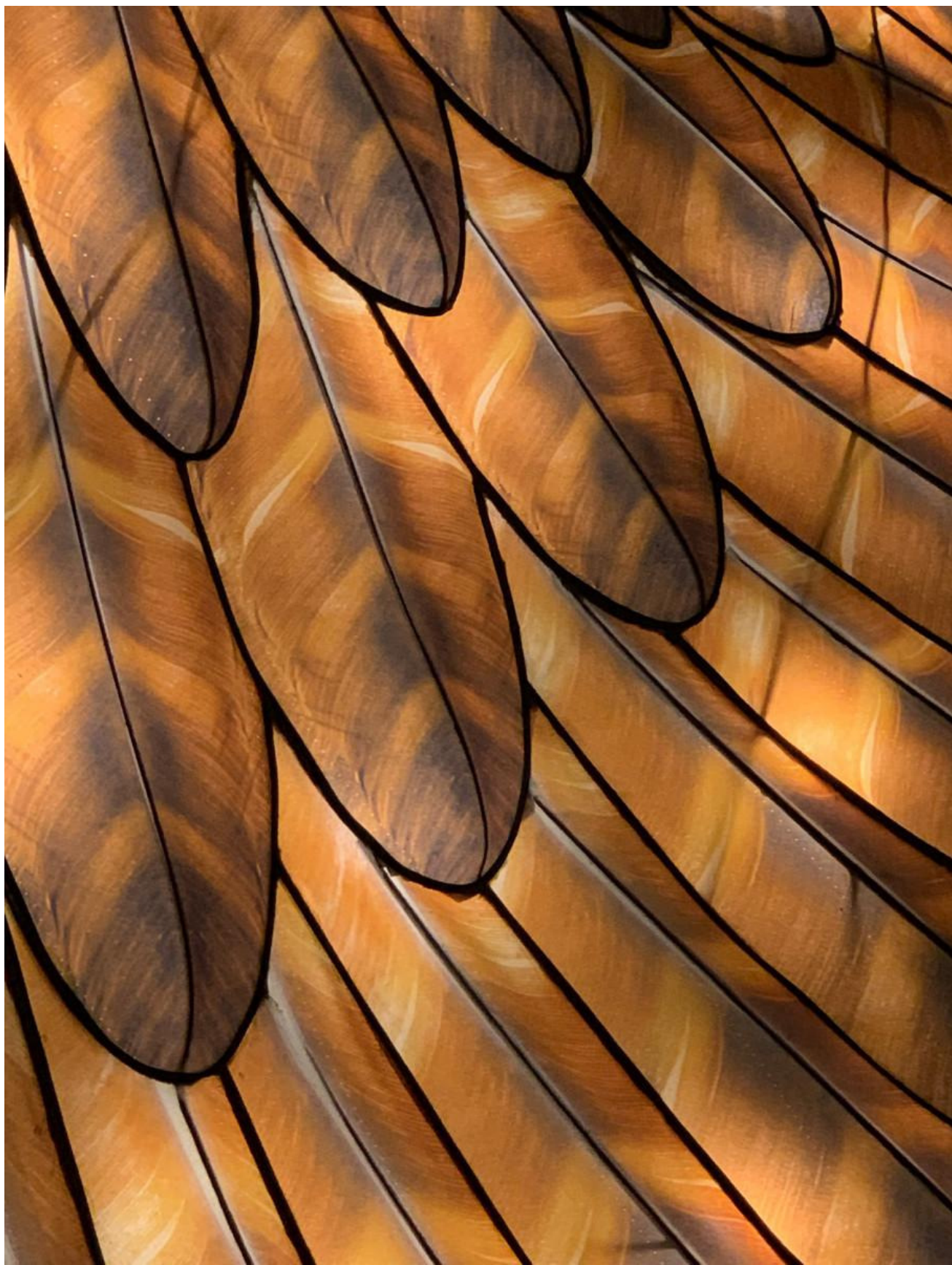
First place. Becky Hawkins



Second Place: Candy Brad



3rd Place: Sue Lurie



Third Place: Tim Cully





Tim Libassi: Honorable Mention

From the President

Members,

I am really excited to see the presentation by Hector Astorga. I know a large portion of our members really enjoy wildlife photography and desire to improve. If you are in that group plan to attend and let others know. Even if wildlife isn't your thing you will get some great tips on photography in general. We are past the busy summer travel season so let's have a big turnout for this outstanding wildlife photographer.

David Navratil



Teton Photography Club

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