

ohn's Cture Perfect Contest ohn Hawkins, Club CEO





A submission from Lih Tsau.

John's comments: Lih, this is a wicked photo – I'm guessing you did a time exposure on this one. The colors are so rich I can taste them!



"I was taking a picture of the little bird when this happened. Fear not; the little bird is okay." - Karen Kishita

John's comments: I can only imagine what the little guy was thinking when he saw this bird coming in for him. Seriously this is one in a million, Karen. Nice work!



"My favorite: duck out of hell." - Hector Cardenas

John's comments: Hector, what a shot! Just like Karen's picture, this is one in a million. You caught the motion so well it almost looks like watching a video of the duck flying.



"I saw the attached on my screensaver and thought it might contend for your *Alive!* contest. It's from a recent trip to visit my wife's folks in Toronto, where we took a day trip to Niagara Falls. The Falls are really worth seeing - very awesome!'

- Karl Guder, General Services

John's comments: Hey Karl, this is an intense shot. The avalanching water, the exploding skies matched with the gracefully flying bird ... wow!

RUNNERS-UP:

- Herman Wong, DWP, with a very nice shot of the Shanghai skyline;

- Mike Aubin, with a great shot of a sea plant and jellyfish; and

- Luis Ortega, with a wonderful picture of Lake Sabrina near Bishop, Calif.

- The contest is open to all Club Members in good standing. • Non-members are welcome to submit, but only Club Members are eligible to win the monthly prize.
 - If your photograph does not win, you are welcome to re-submit.
 - Winners are chosen by Club staff. All decisions will be final.
 - You must certify (if asked) that you indeed took the picture. No ringers!
 - · Photos can be submitted either on paper or digitally. Please don't send both.
- If you want your print photo returned, please write your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.
- · Photos can be of any subject matter: vacation, portraits, families, landscapes, still lifes, pets, etc. Subject matter must be appropriate for Alive!
- Paper prints can be mailed to: Picture Perfect Contest, Alive!, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
- When you send digital photos through the Internet, please send the full, original digital file yourself, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print.
- We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com
- The contest is all in good fun: The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering Alive!, or for delays in the transmission of responses.