



John Hawkins, Club CEO

# John's Picture Perfect Contest

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"I tend to keep clear of buzzers, but when I realized they were far too busy to deal with my invasion of their territory, I was able to snap this shot of nature at work. If you look closely, you can see the bee losing pollen as it travels to the next daisy. Taken at the Huntington Gardens."

– **Shaudi Pishvaie, LAPD**

**John's comment:** Dang, you're right. Look at the pollen dropping from the bee – that is amazing! Nice work Shaudi!



"I'm assuming this guy needs little assistance if he's a pro at his craft. I mean really... where's the mirror? Backyard brushes with blades and bristles, post-processed in black and white, shot with a Sony Little A-77 camera."

– **Dominique Daito**

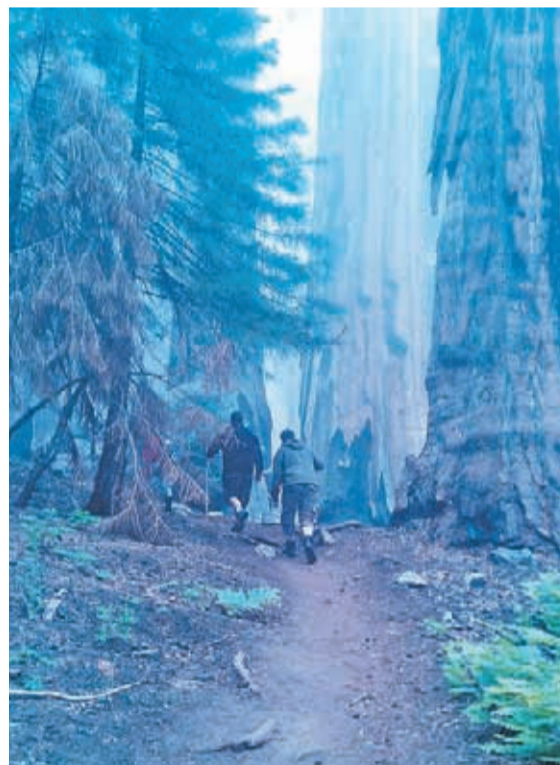
**John's comment:** Dominique, this is an intriguing photo; good choice to convert it to black and white!



"My son, Collin, in a forest of streetlights at LACMA."

– **Sgt. Demian Wyma, LAPD**

**John's comment:** What a priceless expression on Collin's face – a very surreal photo, Demian! Thanks for submitting



"My granddaughter, Katy; my son, Tyler; and his buddy, Mike, went hiking. It was a very Jurassic type of day with the fog."

– **Karin Luedke, DWP**

**John's comment:** Karin, this looks like an ad for Portland – I love it! Nice work.



"My daughter is always snapping pix of our golden retriever, and he is such a brat. Okay, he's not a puppy anymore (five years old), but he sure knows how to act spoiled. He is so ca-yute! But don't all mothers say that about their kids. Ha!"

– **Tonja Bellard, Club Rep**

**John's comment:** Tonja, it's amazing the pictures that kids end up taking – make sure you tell your daughter that she has a real eye for photography!



"Two weeks ago, my wife, Judy, and I went to Bolsa Chica State Park. We almost walked right by this beautiful male black-crowned night heron hiding in the bushes. They're very hard to see in the brush. I look forward to spring every year, when many of God's creatures are in full, beautiful color."

– **Thomas Allen Garber, Public Works/Sanitation**

**John's comment:** Tad, good to see you submitting award-winning photos again – I remember your "stink bug in the road" photo well. Keep up the awesome work!

## RULES:

- 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](mailto: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.