



## December 2018 Presidents' Letter

Dear Members,

Year end is traditionally a time for reflection and expectation.

As we look back on 2018, we're thankful to be part of this group of passionate photographers who continually inspire and challenge us.

We've appreciated the commitment, energy and skill of the many, many volunteers who keep the club moving forward - those who work on the club's committees and board - and those who step up to help us in myriad unrecognized ad-hoc ways.

We recall with fondness the times this year when we joined our friends for field trips, street walks, shows, and educational events.

We've been thankful for the opportunities to share our work with our peers - and to receive not only recognition, but constructive criticism to help us learn and grow as artists. And yes, we're thankful for the men and women who - for a very few dollars - give us their time as judges to provide feedback on our work.

We were saddened by the loss of a couple of good friends this year, too soon, but thankful that we had the chance to know them.

We welcomed a score of new members in 2018, along with the continued challenge of facilitating one of the largest and most active area photography clubs.

And finally, we look ahead with anticipation to a new year to be filled with countless new images to be captured in camera and in memory.

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

-Steve & Marnie

## **Editor's Note**

Welcome, readers, to the last issue of Focal Plane News for 2018. As the Holiday Season winds down we can look back and reflect on all of the Club's activities this past year - a very satisfactory year of activities and achievements that I am sure will be repeated in 2019.

For the Street Photographers in the Club, (details of this month's challenge is on Page 4), I can highly recommend the Brassai exhibition that is showing in SF MOMA through February 18th. Some really great images.

I wish you all Good Light, Good Shooting and Good Health in 2019.

Noel Isaac  
Editor

## MPC Event Calendar

- **Monday, January 7th - Projected Competition**  
6:30pm @ Drakes Landing Community Room
- **Monday, January 14th- Education Night**  
6:30pm @ Drakes Landing Community Room
- **Monday, January 21st - Print Competition**  
6:30pm @ Drakes Landing Community Room
- **Thursday, January 10th: MPC Board Meeting\*\***  
11:00am @ GGCS Meeting Room, First Presbyterian Church †  
1505 Mission Ave. San Rafael.
- **Thursday, January 24th - Street SIG Meeting:**  
6:30pm @ GGCS Meeting Room, First Presbyterian Church †  
1505 Mission Ave. San Rafael.

### Editor's Note:

\*\*Any member of MPC can attend the monthly Board Meetings. If you have any questions or subjects that you would like it to discuss, please put them into writing and send an e-mail to one of the two Presidents.

Monthly minutes of the MPC Board are posted shortly after being approved at the following month's Board meeting. Copies can be found in the Club and Committee Information section of the website <http://tinyurl.com/ya9kkbb6> here: "Board

## New Members to the MPC

Please join us in welcoming the following new Members to the Club:

### Competing Members:

Rhonda Chapin  
Warren Miller  
David Vaughan

### Associate Members:

Melissa Schneider



Do introduce yourselves to new members at upcoming MPC events and competition nights.

### **The MPC Street SIG.**

The next meeting of the Club's Street SIG will be on January 24, and the challenge is "Holidays".

Full details and an introduction to MPC's Street SIG can be found through the following link:

<https://goo.gl/kpofqr>

[Doug Kaye & Steve Disenhof](#)

### **2019 Dominican Street Photo Show**

The MPC Street Photography SIG has been invited to hang an exhibition of street photography in the Joseph R. Fink Science Center lobby on the Dominican College campus in San Rafael. Members have now submitted their images and approximately 40 of those selected prints can be seen at the exhibition, which will run from roughly mid-February to mid-August, 2019.

See <https://goo.gl/rA9nz2> for info about our meetings.

## The Outside Photography World

### EXHIBITS in the Bay Area:

- [Brassai Exhibition](#) @ SF MOMA
- [This Land](#) @ Pier 24
- [Current Exhibitions.](#) @ the Harvey Milk Photo Center.
- [Current Exhibitions](#) @ SF Camerawork
- [Current Exhibitions](#) @ Cantor Arts Center

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS:

- [Harvey Milk Photo Center](#)
- [Point Reyes National Seashore Association](#)
- [The Image Flow](#)
- [Photo Arts Marin](#)

### NOTE:

Do you know another location with great classes and/or workshops?

Please send the information to: [focalplanenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:focalplanenewsletter@gmail.com)

## MPC Member Websites

Want to see more photos of our members, please visit their websites, the list is [here](#):

<https://focalplanenewsletter.wordpress.com/member-websites/>

If you want to add your website to the list, please send a request to [focalplanenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:focalplanenewsletter@gmail.com)