

Focus On: Al Huberty

How did you get involved with photography? with stereo?

I have been a snapshot photographer since I graduated from college in 1966. My interest in stereo started with a friend showing me some Realist slides in the mid 90's. I went on the web, and did some work with "Twin Disposables" with a viewer, and was hooked.



What forms of stereo, or aspects of stereo are most interesting to you?

I'm very interested in Digital Stereo, and have experimented with several PC 3D systems with results ranging from 'outstanding' to 'couldn't make it work'. I've got shutter glasses synced to the TV to view 3D DVDs from Slingshot Entertainment. It's a lot of fun! I continue to follow the technology with a hope of digital projection becoming a viable viewing option, as well as viewing on the PC. The IMAX 3D is always enjoyable.

What are your favorite subjects, equipment, and techniques?

I enjoy complex objects that don't show up well in 2D, but are outstanding in 3D. I shoot all Realist format slides at the moment, but just bought a new digital camera that I'm going to use to try to do some sidebar, stereoview, and PC display work.

What are your favorite stereo pictures?

My favorites are ones by others. I'm always amazed at the 'eye' people have. I've always said that if it wasn't for me, some of the others in the club wouldn't be getting awards...

Do you collect any stereo-related items?

Yes, I have ViewMaster reels and a Projector, as well as a ViewMaster Personal camera and some empty reels to fill. I also collect Railroad and Industrial Stereoviews, and have one of the Keystone Optician Viewers which makes all the difference in the world to my enjoyment of my Stereoviews. Of course I have the full complement of Stereo Theaters and Stereo Projectors.

Do you have any advice or tips to pass along?

Shoot lots of pictures of things that you like, so that even if they aren't "Award Winners", you'll enjoy them. I'm still trying to get it right, but I'm having a great time!

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COMPETITION RESULTS FOR FEBRUARY, 2004

Assignment: "Curves"

First Place

"Arches #1"
"Capitol Balconies"

Eli De Vergilio
Dennis Hanser

Second Place

"The Basin At Franconia Notch"
"Colorful Canopy"

Dennis Hanser
Steve Kiesling

Third Place

"Epcot Curve"
"Vatican - Bernini Colonnade"
"Sedona Walkway"
"Skyward Spiral"

Bob Chamberlain
Jerry Chisnell
Dennis Hanser
Steve Kiesling

Honorable Mention

"An Elephant Bridge"
"Curving Fence"
"Priory Church"
"Bryce Canyon Guardrail"

Bill Battishill
Bob Chamberlain
Eli De Vergilio
Robert Grant

JUDGES

Martha Dombeck

Chuck Molnar

Howard Wright

Congratulations to all (especially Eli!).

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Green

Awards Chair

Competition Standings

thru February 2004

<i>1st</i>	<i>67 pts.</i>	<i>Dennis Hanser</i>
<i>2nd</i>	<i>45 pts.</i>	<i>Steve Kiesling</i>
<i>3rd</i>	<i>40 pts.</i>	<i>Bob Chamberlain</i>