

# **SANP OCTOBER 2012 NEWSLETTER**

## **OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, October 30, 2012

Time: Social time 6:30pm/Meeting 7:00pm

Location: Goins Auditorium, Pellissippi State Technical Community College

Our presenter this month is SANP member Harry Dunn. He will be showing his new program "Africa and The Masai Mara: A Wildlife Photographers Dreamland." The Masai Mara, with 95 different mammals and 570 species of birds, has one of the most diverse and concentrated collections of mammals and bird species in the world. Harry had the good fortune to visit there this past summer, where he spent almost two weeks in a bush camp on the Mara River on a custom tour package. During his daily dawn-to-dusk safaris he took almost 15,000 photos and he'll be using several of those photos to take us on an exciting tour of this very special place and its wildlife! He's also going to provide an overview of the trip planning that was involved, speak a little about the trip itself, probably slip in a peek at his "rustic" accommodations, and perhaps share a story or two about his many adventures. Maybe he'll tell us about being charged by a hippo? Having an elephant approach and push the front of his vehicle? Or perhaps he'll enlighten us about his new moniker, "The Leopard Whisperer"?

### **BIO**

Harry Dunn is a freelance nature and wildlife photographer who lives in Knoxville, Tennessee. His life-long interest in photography as evolved into a special focus on the outdoors. He has developed a keen eye for the many moods of nature and the fantastic wonders of wildlife. Harry's passion for nature and wildlife has led him on adventures ranging from British Columbia to Florida, from California to Newfoundland, and across the Atlantic to Africa. He is involved in a variety of conservation programs and has been honored with a number of photography awards. He is recognized for his vibrant scenic and "life capturing" images, as well as for his exciting adventure stories.

### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Membership Dues for 2012-2013 were due May 1. You can renew your membership at the October meeting, or by mail. A membership form can be downloaded from the SANP website ([www.sanp.net](http://www.sanp.net)). Remember, your dues must be paid in full by 12/31/2012 to be eligible to enter the 2013 Salon.

### **2013 SANP SALON**

The SANP Board decided that the "special" category for the 2013 salon is "Americana." The guidelines for this category are: Subjects that are related to the history, geography, folklore, or cultural heritage of the United States.

## **SANP FIELD LEARNING EVENT**

Ijam's Nature Center, Knoxville, TN  
Saturday, October 20, 2012

**Leader:** Kris Light    **E-mail:** [klight10@gmail.com](mailto:klight10@gmail.com)

**Meeting place:** Ijams Nature Center parking lot

**Time:** 9:00am                      **NO Registration is required.**

Ijams Nature Center has numerous habitats for interesting photography opportunities --- gardens; forest trails; wildflower-filled meadows with butterflies and other insects; ponds with turtles, frogs, dragonflies and damselflies; views of the Tennessee River from a boardwalk; an abandoned rock quarry with a large lake; and "The Keyhole," a fascinating "Mayan ruin-like" marble block bridge. See <http://ijams.org/things-to-do-and-see/must-see/> for more information on the center.

Bring a tripod and your favorite lenses. A telephoto lens will be useful for photographing birds and dragonflies. A macro lens will bring out the details of small wildflowers, lichens, rocks, etc. Your best photos can be entered in the contest for SANP members (see information below).

Ijams Nature Center is located at 2915 Island Home Avenue, Knoxville, TN, 37920, approximately three miles from downtown Knoxville. Call (865) 577-4717 if you need special assistance with directions. Registration is not necessary for this trip and there is no admission fee. Contact Kris Light at: [klight10@gmail.com](mailto:klight10@gmail.com) for questions or more information.

### **From Downtown Knoxville via Gay Street**

Take the Gay Street bridge south and turn left onto Sevier Avenue. Follow Sevier Avenue. After passing through two traffic lights, turn left onto Island Home Avenue. Follow Island Home Avenue, which turns right by the entrance to Island Home Park. Follow green directional signs to Ijams, approximately 1.5 miles on your left.

### **From Interstate 40W**

Take James White Pkwy Exit 388A. Continue on two left lanes down James White Parkway. Cross over the TN River and take the Sevier Ave./Hillwood Dr. exit. Turn left onto Sevier Ave. (turns into Hillwood Dr.). Turn right onto Island Home Ave. (at bottom of hill). Ijams is approximately 1 mile on the left.

### **From Interstate 40E**

Take James White Pkwy Exit 388A. Merge onto James White Pkwy. Cross over the TN River and take the Sevier Ave./Hillwood Dr. exit. Turn left onto Sevier Ave. (turns into Hillwood Dr.). Turn right onto Island Home Ave. (at bottom of hill). Ijams is approximately 1 mile on the left.

## **IJAMS NATURE CENTER DIGITAL PHOTO CONTEST**

Ijams Nature Center's annual digital photography contest, open only to members of Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers, is designed to showcase the visual splendor of the natural world at Ijams Nature Center.

Winning entries will be featured on the Ijams website. Overall first, second and third place winners will receive a copy of an annual photo book containing all the winning entries and special commendations that will be also be available in the Ijams Gift Shop and used for promotional purposes. *Photography must be taken at Ijams Nature Center.*

*Entry Fee:* Free

*Application Deadline:* December 1, 2012

*Categories:*

Birds

Trees and Wildflowers

General Wildlife (excluding birds)

Landscapes and structures

Digital manipulation

*Awards:* First, Second, Third Overall and in each category.

*Judging:* Judging is anonymous. No artist names will be used during the selection process to guarantee impartiality.

*Contest Rules:*

Entrants must be a current member of Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers.

All submissions must be emailed to by the stated deadline along with name, address, telephone, photo caption and a digital photograph (JPEG only) between 1MB and 3MB file size.

All photographs must be original and created by the submitting photographer.

A maximum of four (4) photographs is allowed per photographer.

The judges' decisions are final.

Ijams Nature Center reserves the right to use submitted images in any way for promotional purpose.

Questions? For further information regarding this contest, please call 577-4717 ext. 118 or email [pjames@ijams.org](mailto:pjames@ijams.org) ; [pjames@ijams.org](mailto:pjames@ijams.org) or [www.ijams.org](http://www.ijams.org).

## **UT NON-CREDIT PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES**

University of Tennessee Professional & Personal Development will offer the following non-credit photography classes during fall term:

**Night Photography** - Steve Chastain; Thursdays, 10/11 – 11/15.

**Cell Phone Photography** - Ron McConathy; Mondays, 11/5 – 11/26.

**Wildlife Photography** - Kendall Chiles; Thursday & Saturday, 11/29 & 12/1.

To enroll, or if you have any questions, call 865-974-0150 or go online to [www.utnoncredit.com](http://www.utnoncredit.com). Several of these instructors are SANP members.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

November 27, 2012            Member's Critiques

## **SANP OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS**

Kendall Chiles	President	865-363-1525	<a href="mailto:kchiles@knology.net">kchiles@knology.net</a>
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Elected Board Members

2013

Harry Dunn

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