Competition Month & Closing date	For more information and typical images, please clic on your computer, iPad or mobile phone (PDF)	k the video <i>Links</i> below	
JANUARY 17 Jan	TEXTURES The visual quality of any object revealed through variances in shape or tone: bumpy, gritty, silky and everything in-between.	<u>Photographing Textures</u>	
FEBRUARY 21 Feb	RAINDROPS/WATERDROPS (plural) On flowers, windows, petals, leaves, grass, plants & insects.	Photograph Rain Falling	
MARCH 20 Mar	EGGS Anyway you like—in a nest, basket, fried, scrambled, boiled, cracked, nestling in a carton—use you imagination.	Tips for shooting eggs	
APRIL 17 Apr	PRINT COMPETITION No set subject for this month which is replaced by a PRINT competition. Three Categories: Open Colour, Mono and Nature. You may enter up to six prints —with limit of two in any category.		
MAY 22 May	MINIMALISTIC A form of photography distinguished by austere simplicity. It emphasizes sparseness and careful composition, shying away from overabundance of color, patterns, or information.	<u>5 Steps to Incredible Minimalist</u> <u>Photography</u>	
JUNE 19 Jun	BOKEH Defined as the effect of a soft out-of-focus background one gets when shooting a subject, using a fast lens, at the widest aperture, such as f/2.8 or wider. Simply put, bokeh is the aesthetic quality of out-of-focus blurred background in a photograph.	<u>Bokeh made easy</u>	
JULY 17 July	PORTRAITURE Waist and above shots of a human being.	Portrait Composition Tips5 Tip to guarantee great portraits	
AUGUST 21 Aug	YELLOW Most of the image must reflect the colour yellow.	_	
SEPTEMBER 18 Sep	INTERESTING POINT OF VIEW — using your mobile phone Take photographs from different angles for special effects ie. from above, below, side, panorama, ant-view, looking up at buildings, unique perspective and angles.	<u>Easy mobile phone trick - vertical</u> <u>Panorama</u>	
OCTOBER 16 Oct	THINGS IN YOUR KITCHEN. Grater, tea-strainer, garlic press, cutlery, crockery, pots, pans, mortar and pestle, dripping tap, fruit and vegetables.	8 Tricks for kitchen photography Light Box art in the kitchen Texture in Food Photography	
November 20 Nov	ABANDONED Something no longer used, occupied or wanted, old cars, utensils, etc.	Abandoned Subjects Photographing Abandoned Buildings	

HPG Competition Rules and Guidelines					
DIGITAL	PRINTS	AWARDS	SCORES		
Competition Month is the month images are uploaded to the website. Late entries not accepted	Prints must be mounted on a 500 x 400mm board. Print to fit within the	CATEGORY AWARDS shall be Credit , or highest award of Distinction — these images cannot be entered again in a monthly competition.	Aggregate Scores for Digital and Print images as		
Closing date for uploading images is 6:00PM on dates shown above	mount leaving a border. Upload a digital copy of	Certificates awarded for Top in Category and Top image of the Competition.	follows: O Rejected		
Maximum entry 6 images per member per month Limit of 2 entries in any category	print image to website. Other Print Competition rules generally as for	Entries receiving a Rejected , Entry or an Acceptance may be edited and re-entered to be re-appraised by a different judge in one subsequent competition.	 Entry Acceptance Credit Distinction 		
Maximum image size: 1200px high x 1920px wide	Digital Competitions. More information may be	Any digital images or prints which have been entered in monthly competitions in the current competition year may be entered in the Digital Image or Print of	Members may view their scores		
Maximum file size: 2MB Image format: JPEG sRGB	advised prior to the Print Competition.	the Year competitions.	for each category on the website.		