



OAK ALLEY PLANTATION SPRING 2015 PHOTOGRAPHY EBOOK

SPRING INTO ACTION

Oak Alley Foundation • Cover: Nathan Linhardt



Director's Statement

This wonderful eBook represents the results of more than 100 photographers, both amateurs and professionals from across the globe, who took part in Oak Alley Foundation's 2015 "Spring into Action" photo contest and submitted 335 photographs.

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We'll never cease to be amazed and thrilled by the perspectives of the plantation that we fail to notice on a daily basis, all the more reason to cherish the gift that these photographs represent.

Congratulations to all of our winners and to all who participated in this contest. We certainly hope you can visit with us again soon and share more photographs!

Thank you for supporting Oak Alley Foundation through your visitation, your photo entries, and your donations.

We encourage you to visit Oak Alley often and to feel free to share your photos with us via our FaceBook page, or post them on social media with the hashtag "#OakAlley".

Zeb Mayhew, Jr.
Administrative Director
Oak Alley Foundation

Oak Alley Foundation is a 501(c)(3) private non-profit trust organized and operated exclusively for charitable, literary and educational purposes. It's Trustees are charged with maintaining and preserving the mansion (Big House) and surrounding twenty-five (25) acre National Historic Landmark site for public exhibition as an historical monument to the times and area in which the property was built and for the instruction, education, enlightenment, information, edification and cultural benefit of the citizens of the State of Louisiana, the United States and the public generally.

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List of Winners

Amateurs:

First Place: Monica Vasilcanu - Morning Fog (Brussels Belgium)

(see Page 7)

Second Place: Jillian Coco - Step Right Up (Marksville, LA)

(see Page 24)

Third Place: Alan Coombs - Tranquility Past (Valencia, CA)

(see Page 18)

Professionals:

First Place: Jeffrey Rease - Foggy Morning Rejoicing

(Birmingham Alabama)

(see Page 16)

Second Place: Scott Brazeale - Family Roots (Gulfport MS)

(see Page 20)

Third Place: Jen Golay - Pride (West Des Moines, Iowa)

(see Page 21)

Photographic Art Category:

First Place: Nathan Linhardt - Reflections of the Past (New Orleans, LA)

(see Page 10)

Second Place: Linda Medine - The Blacksmith (Baton Rouge, LA)

(see Page 13)

Third Place: Chad Brown - Among the Oaks (Benton, Arkansas)

(see Page 14)

Judges

We were honored to host judges Chris Bennett ("Media Sports Photographer", "Bennett's Camera"), Mark Lagrange ("Smithsonian Natural History Museum", "Mark Lagrange Photography on Facebook") and Charles Martin ("Eyes on the Bayou", "Perique photography book").

You may wish to view some of the work of our esteemed judges at:

Mark: <https://www.facebook.com/LagrangelImages?fref=ts>

Charles: <http://www.eyesonthebayou.com/>

Chris: <http://www.bennettscamera.com/> and

<https://m.flickr.com/#/>

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Janet Lloyd

I am a Friend of Oak Alley living in Plano, TX and I enjoy American history, especially the Civil War era, and photography. I submitted this photograph because it is a constant reminder to me of the beauty and serenity of Oak Alley Plantation. The evening golden light coming through the trees highlight their timeless beauty. Every visit I make to Oak Alley is unique. I never tire of walking through the grounds and savoring the beauty and majesty of the oaks. The history is so well-preserved and so generously shared. I am so grateful to Josephine Stewart for preserving it, ensuring that anyone who wants to visit will have access to this peaceful, beautiful and historic place.



Monica Vasilcanu
First Place, Amateur Division





Alan Kemp Campbell

Cherie Hart



Chelsea Thibodeaux





Nathan Linhardt
First Place,
Photographic Art Division



Cassie Allen





Linda Medine
Second Place,
Photographic Art Division



Chad Brown

Third Place, Photographic Art Division



Nathan Lindhardt

Jeff Rease
First Place, Professional Division





Shawn Morris

Terry Bond



Terry Bond





Alan Coombs
Third Place, Amateur Division



Nina Schulz

"Frozen In Time"

I submitted this photograph because, to me, it captures or symbolizes Mrs. Stewart's last days of her life in her bedroom.

Scott Brazeale

Second Place, Professional Division





Jen Golay
Third Place,
Professional Division







Jillian Coco
Second Place, Amateur Division



Kristin Booth



Mike Radke

Kerri Dallman





all photos : Monica Vasilcanu



The perspective, as it is from the second story porch, so the view is elevated. I wanted to capture depth, color and texture as well as the green foliage contrasting the dark oak trees in the lovely Louisiana spring sun. I enjoyed how the tree limbs played with the sunlight and made swirling patterns on the grass and walkway.

“Walk of the Oaks” by Jennifer More

“Sky Catcher” by Kevin Sudy



Jami Dawn Durham



Thank You!

On behalf of the Oak Alley Foundation, the caretakers of the historic grounds at Oak Alley Plantation, we thank you for your ongoing support and passion.

Mrs. Josephine Stewart started the Oak Alley Foundation in 1972, but it is your ongoing support of our organization that helps keep Oak Alley Plantation open to the public.

We work hard everyday to live up to the standards that our five millions visitors have come to expect. It is a great deal of work, and a great deal of passion, that keeps us moving forward. We look forward to many years of living up to the moniker as 'The Grande Dame of the Great River Road.'