

A great time in Indianapolis!!!

Nelson's Moulding and Frame hosted their 18th Educational Seminar in Indianapolis, the state capitol of Indiana. A bustling city filled with museums, shops and history. The seminar took place at the Sheraton Downtown City Centre and overlooked the Soldiers and Sailors Monument. The Indiana State Soldiers and Sailors Monument is a 284' neoclassical monument built on Monument Circle, a circular, brick-paved street that intersects Meridian and Market streets in the center of downtown Indianapolis.

**The Guest Speakers were so informative!!**

Mikki Kavich is a truly creative individual that believes whole heartedly in "custom" picture framing. We were privileged to have her share with us her unique French Mat lines. What a stunning addition to a plain mat. Mikki also hand paints her own paper to utilize as liners, mats and so much more.



Mark Wallenfang is a vat of information. An amazing class on how to take pictures of your art pieces, shop and so much more. Great tips and tricks to make them come out professionally. Once you have created photo masterpieces, you are then able to use them in all of your social media to market your frame shop. Two hours was just not enough time to learn it all.



Joyce Michels discussed how to honor our military personnel, past and current, by demonstrating the proper way in which to display the medals they sacrificed for. Joyce created a beautiful piece utilizing our new Star Moulding fillet. Thank you for showing us all how to honor our veterans.

The **PPFA** put on a spectacular event Saturday Evening. A wonderful gathering for everyone to meet new people, reconnect with others they had not seen in a while and do some awesome networking. A fine combination of good friends, food and drink. Plus, Nelson's Moulding gave away a bunch of free stuff! Thank you to the following awesome PPFA Chapters that hosted this superb "Meet and Greet", Kentucky/Tennessee, Great Lakes, Mid-America, North Central and Wisconsin.

The PPFA had a super fun booth with games and contests. Congratulations to Charlette Schwalbert of Kentucky for winning the ATG tape loading contest in just over 13 seconds!

A variety of **Vendors** set up at Nelson's 18th Educational Seminar to show off their unique products. A great opportunity for Framers to get information on new products, order some cool stuff for their shops and connect with a new resource. We were proud to host Tru Vue, Nielsen & Bainbridge, Crescent, Designer Moulding, Frame Specialties, Frametastic, LLC, Gemini, Intricate Photo Printing, Kool Tack, Roma and Urban Ashes. Thanks for the wonderful door prizes that you gave away to the framers who attended.

A special thanks to Tru Vue, who has been an amazing supporter of Nelson's Educational Seminars.

Check out our Winner's!!! What an amazing turn out for the PPFA OPEN and PRINT Competitions!

KENTUCKY/TENNESSEE:

PRINT: 1st Place and Popular Choice: Mikki Kavich, MCPF, Mikki's Frame Shop, Crossville, TN

PRINT: 2nd Place: Marshall Hall, Jerry's Artarama, Nashville, TN

OPEN: 1st Place: Mikki Kavich, MCPF, Mikki's Frame Shop, Crossville, TN

MID AMERICA:

PRINT: 1st Place, High-Point First Time Entry Award, and Popular Choice: Christine (Tina) Crist, Home is Where the Art Is, St. Louis, MO

PRINT: 2nd Place: Robin Shively, CPF, Corners Frameshop & Gallery, Ferguson, MO

PRINT: 3rd Place and First Time Entry: Amy Miller, Prints Charming Gallery, St. Louis, MO

GREAT LAKES:

PRINT: 1st Place and Popular Choice: John Heltman, Esthetic Endeavors, LLC, Elida, OH

PRINT: 2nd Place: John Barlowe, Frame Shop Art Gallery, Holland, OH

PRINT: 3rd Place: Karen Heltman, Esthetic Endeavors, LLC, Elida, OH

OPEN: 1st Place and Popular Choice: John Heltman, Esthetic Endeavors, LLC, Elida, OH

OPEN: 2nd Place: John Barlowe, Frame Shop Art Gallery, Holland, OH

OPEN: First Time Entry, Christopher Brown, American Frame, Maumee, OH

NORTH CENTRAL:

PRINT: 1st Place: Sue Davis, CPF, Roger Nielsen, Andrew Webster, Master Framers, St. Paul, MN

PRINT: 2nd Place and Popular Choice: Glenn Renick, Framagine, Lakeville, MN

PRINT: 3rd Place and High-Point First-Time Entry Award: Cara Callahan, Mary Fajack, Callahan Framing Co., Minneapolis, MN OPEN: 1st Place: Valerie Becker, MCPF, Red Wing Framing and Fine Art, Red Wing, MN

OPEN: 2nd Place and Popular Choice: Glenn Renick, Framagine, Lakeville, MN

OPEN: 3rd Place and Popular Choice: Mark Roberts, CPF, Eagle Creek Gallery, Savage, MN

WISCONSIN:

PRINT: 1st Place, High-Point First-Time Entry Award: Janine Buechner, MCPF, Artists Guild, LLC., Sturgeon Bay, WI

OPEN: 1st Place, High-Point First-Time Entry Award: Janine Buechner, MCPF, Artists Guild, LLC., Sturgeon Bay, WI

A big thanks to our Judges and Secretaries:

PRINT: Patrice Marquardt, CPF; Robert Gulf CPF; Meghan MacMillian, MCPF; and Secretary Julie Balson, CPF.

OPEN: Randy Parrish, CPF; Janie Peters, CPF; Elli Wollangk, MCPF; and Secretaries Robin Shively, CPF; and Robin Gentry, MCPF.

