

## 2023 NHACC Photo Contest Juror Biographies

### **Jerry Monkman**

Jerry Monkman is a conservation photographer, filmmaker, and writer based in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. He has written ten books and directed two feature-length documentary films about recreation and conservation in New England. His books include two National Outdoor Book Award winners: 2012's [The AMC Guide to Outdoor Digital Photography](#), and 2017's [Outdoor Adventures: Acadia National Park](#). His work has appeared in publications worldwide including National Geographic Adventure, Audubon, Men's Journal, The Washington Post, and Outdoor Photographer. His work can be found online at [ecophotography.com](#) and [reelquestfilms.com](#).

### **Gary Samson**

A native of Manchester, Gary served as the chair of the photography department and taught a wide range of courses at the New Hampshire Institute of Art for over thirty-five years. Upon his retirement in 2017, he was appointed Professor Emeritus of Photography. In 2018 Gary was named Artist Laureate of New Hampshire for a two-year term.

His fine art photographs have been exhibited across the US, and in Canada and Europe and his work is included in the permanent collections of the Currier Museum of Art, the University of New Hampshire and the Library of Congress, Washington, DC, as well as many private collections.

Most Recently, Gary organized forty-seven photographers through the [New Hampshire Society of Photographic Artists](#) to document daily life in New Hampshire from May 2018 to November 2020. This work resulted in the creation of 10,000 photographs archived at the New Hampshire Historical Society and the publication of a 288-page hardcover book, [New Hampshire Now: A Photographic Diary of Life in the Granite State](#), in October, 2021, along with the simultaneous launch of eight photography exhibitions across the state. In November, 2022, his most recent book with Burt Feintuch, [Creole Soul: Zydeco Lives](#) was published by the University of Mississippi Press.

### **Jim Salge**

Jim Salge is a nature photographer, writer and educator based in Southern New Hampshire. He is a former weather observer at the [Mount Washington Observatory](#), and the White Mountains remain a primary focus of his work. Currently, Jim serves as [Yankee Magazine's](#) fall foliage forecaster and blogger, and teaches high school physics in southern New Hampshire. His portfolio can be seen at [jimsalge.com](#).