

Capturing the Essence of Shaker:



What makes Shaker Shaker?

That question was the prompt for entries in the 10th annual Preservation Month Photo Contest. The answers tell a compelling story of home.



2023 Preservation Month Photo Contest Winners



Architecture Runner-up:

Sunset on Winchell Road by Kiki Stout

Architecture Winner:

Gardening on Lynton by Sarah Ezzie Haines

In all, 26 photographers posted 66 entries to Instagram with the hashtag #PreserveSH23. Members of the Shaker Heights Landmark Commission had the difficult job of selecting a winner and runners-up in each of three categories: architecture, community, and landscape and nature. In addition, the People's Choice award was given to the submission receiving the most likes on Instagram.

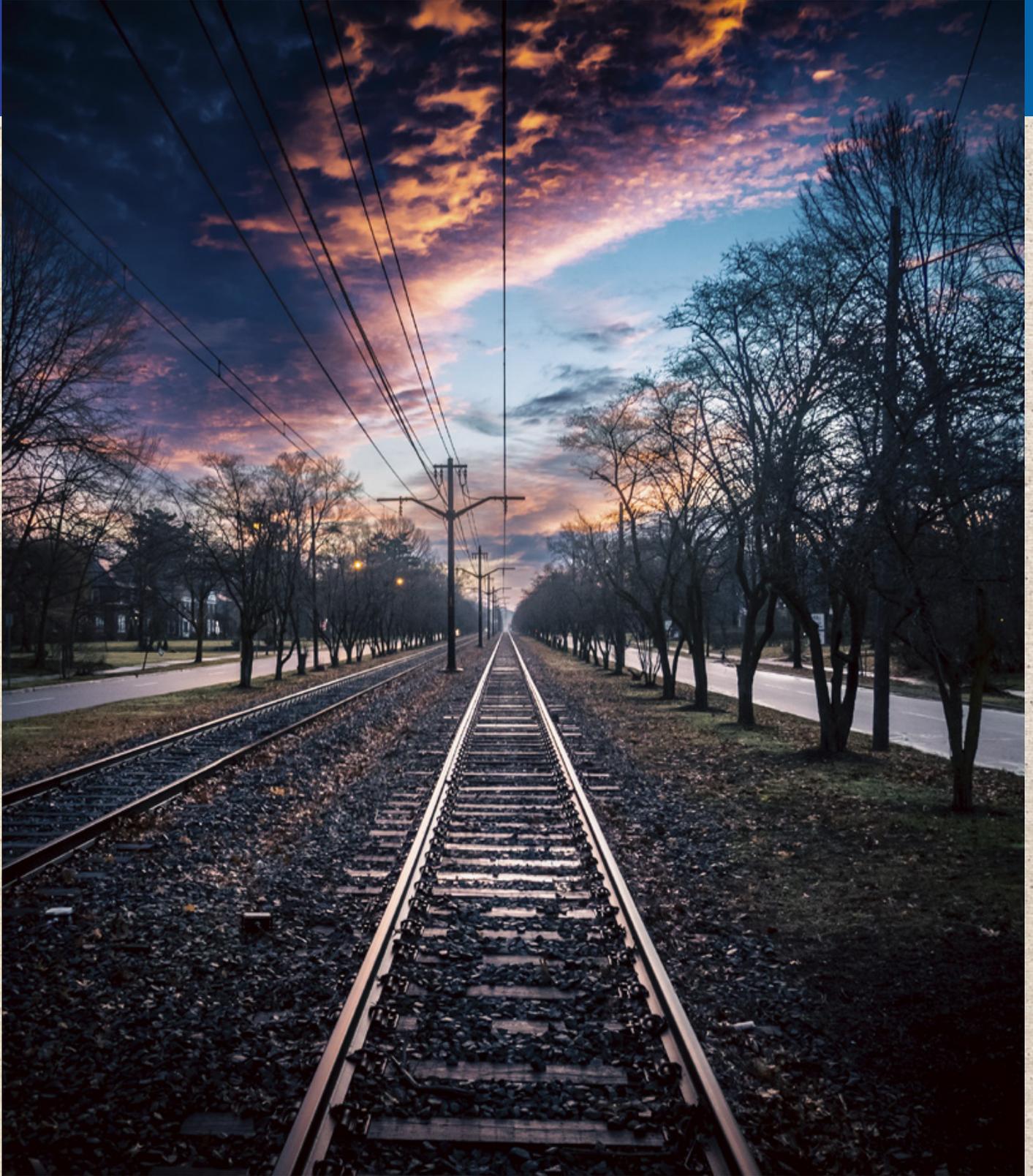


Community Winner:

Chasing My Shadow by Elizabeth Zborowski

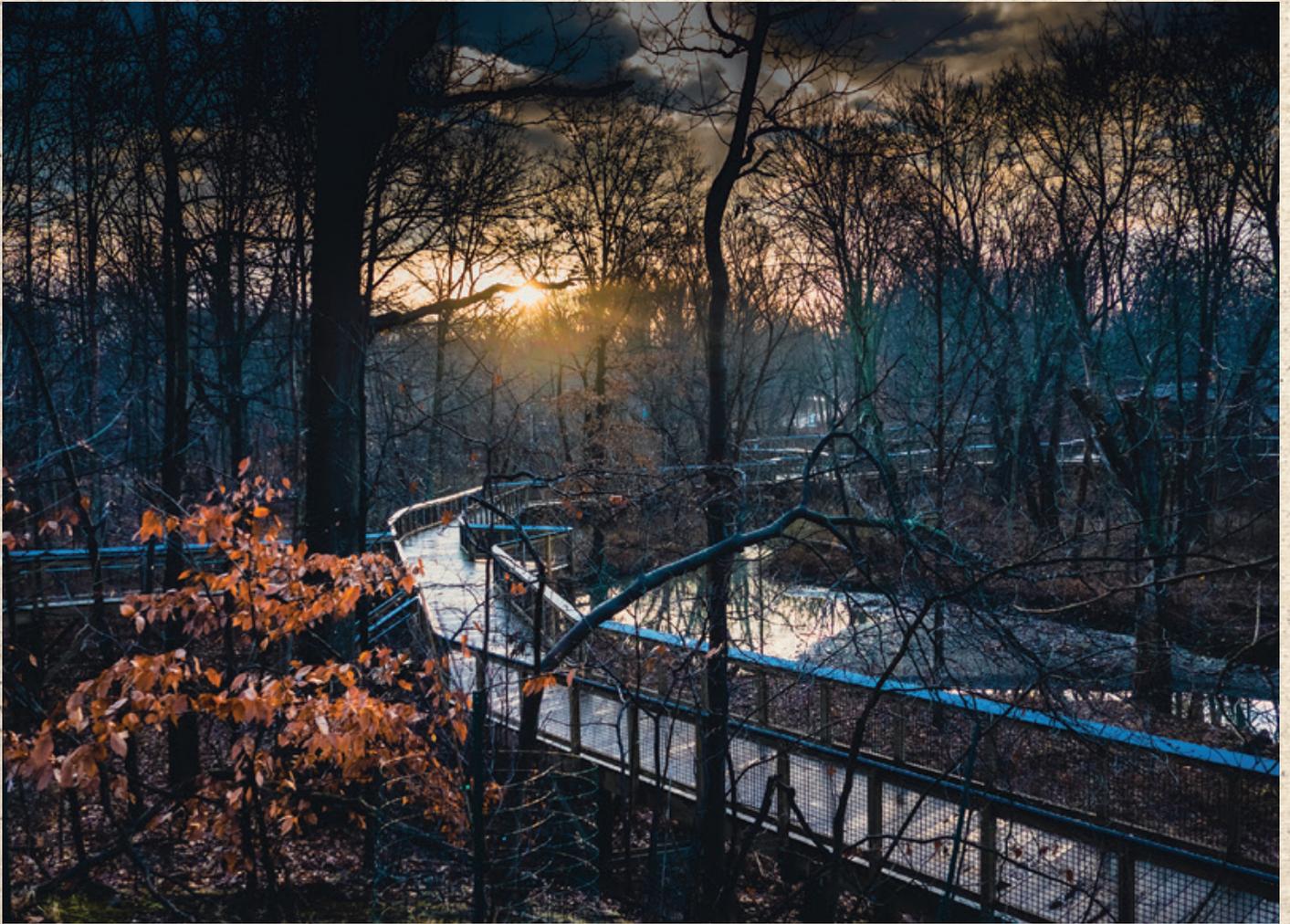


Community Runner-up:
East Byron Block Party by Bruce Sherman



Community Runner-up:

RTA Tracks at Sunrise by Mark Goode



Landscape & Nature Winner:

Sunrise at Nature Center by Mark Goode

“The finalists for the 2023 Preservation Month Photo Contest have all visually captured the essence of what life in Shaker Heights might possibly be for any or all of us: a carefree moment of a summer block party captured through the prism of a diaphanous rainbow bubble; a sunbeam illuminating a front door, murmuring, welcome home; a child bundled against winter’s chill gazing at her world reflected in a puddle; a spring moment of abundant floral splendor; and the endless perspective of our own future tracks into an unknown sunset,” says City Councilmember Nancy Moore, who serves as chair of the Landmark Commission.



Landscape & Nature Runner-up:
Attleboro Road Leaves by Doug Tayek



People's Choice Winner:

Van Sweringen House by Lindsay Heller

"Enjoy the Landmark Commission's panoramic glimpse of our community and explore the potential of what Shaker life might be for you," adds Moore.

The Preservation Month Photo Contest was created in 2013 to amplify Preservation Month, celebrated each May by preservation organizations across the country. All entries can be viewed at the Instagram hashtag #PreserveSH23. **SL**