



# In Focus

## **CLUB EVENT SCHEDULE**

#### **FEBRUARY**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	First Friday Art Walk
5 <sup>th</sup>	Critique Night: Open/Theme
	Theme: Enchanting
6 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM
19 <sup>th</sup>	Program Night: TBA
20 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM

#### MARCH

2 <sup>nd</sup>	First Friday Art Walk
5 <sup>th</sup>	Critique Night: Open/Theme
	Theme: Red
6 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM
19 <sup>th</sup>	Program Night: TBA
20 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM

#### APRIL

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Critique Night: Open/Theme
	Theme: Critters
6 <sup>th</sup>	First Friday Art Walk
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM
16 <sup>th</sup>	Program Night: TBA
17 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM

#### MAY

4 <sup>th</sup>	First Friday Art Walk
7 <sup>th</sup>	Critique Night: Theme/Open
	Theme: All Abou the Light
8 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM
21 <sup>st</sup>	Program Night: TBA
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM



"Rock Hop" ©John Aylward Theme "Decísíve Moment"

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Welcome to *IN FOCUS*, newsletter of the Cascade Camera Club, located in Bend, Oregon.

Our meetings are held at the Bend Senior Center, 1600 SE Reed Market Rd, the First and Third Monday of each month (except September). Doors open at 6:30 PM, the meetings start at 7:00 PM.

#### **GUESTS ARE WELCOME**

Email: info@cascadecameraclub.org Website: cascadecameraclub.org

#### JANUARY

Critiquer - Robert Agli Theme - Decisive Moment

SUBMISSION DEADLINE 11:59 p.m. ON THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO CRITIQUE NIGHT

> Roger Ager Ron Alvig John Aylward Wendy Caro Joe Hudspeth Larry Hudspeth Bev Murphy Judy Neill John Stewart

## **CRITIC'S CHOICES**

## **JANUARY SUBMISSIONS**

#### Theme:

Roger Ager Ron Alvig John Aylward Ruth Baker Wendy Caro Charlie Chaffee James Dunn Donita Elbert Blanche Feekes Darrell Fevergeon Jeannine Florance Jay Gartenhaus Joe Hudspeth Larry Hudspeth Shellie Littau Pete Martin Rich Marrocco Bev Murphy Judy Neill Joyce Norman Michael Rouse Ginger Sanders Ken Sandine Jack Schade Dan Schafer John Stewart John Williams MA Willson Kay Yasutome

Touch Down Getting Ready Rock Hop Because It's There Last Call at the OK Corral Saloon Bonding Bait and Snatch May I Join You I Like the Pink One There Really are Angels Margarita with Lunch Lost Dreams Happy Waters The Lookout Golden Trail Frost Feathers When to Bite .... When to Bite Horse Laugh Back off Jack Lunchtime Chaos Oh My Gosh I Am Woman! The Decisive Moment You're Never Too Old Stepping Up Game of Marbles Flight Pose December Straggler Caution

#### Open

Jay Gartenhaus

**Dillon Falls** 

# Our Critiquer for February Abbott Schindler

Theme images for "Decisive Moment" presented a truly difficult editing process when it came to picking favorites. There were at least 20 very strong candidates for favorites selection and I could not narrow it any further than 9. The final selections were determined by my opinion of what I saw as a strong representation of a fleeting moment in time as well as very good photographic technique and composition.

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January Theme Images Decisive Moment





















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January Open Image

## ANOTHER VIEW BY ROBERT AGLI

## THINGS NOT INVENTED AND OTHER MUSINGS

I'm getting tired of all the talk about the demise of the DSLR. Several manufacturers are offering some nice products and Sony has made some incredible strides with its top of the line mirrorless cameras and it is a terrific camera it's by no means perfect. Actually, Sony makes me a bit nervous. Sony in all its marketing glory over the years has managed to come with a few bloopers. Some of us remember the Beta format for video and memory sticks just to

#### **MONTHLY THEMES**

	2018
Feb	Enchanting
Mar	Red
Apr	Critters
May	All About the Light
Jun	Texture
Jul	Abstract
Aug	Impressionism
Sep	Hills and Valleys
Oct	Mysterious
Nov	Twilight
Dec	Less is More

Be s ure your image is submitted by 11:59pm on the Wednesday prior to the Monday critique

Tutorials for uploading digital images can be found on our website Cascadecameraclub.org name couple of gems. Now their latest marketing blooper is to be one of the leaders in introducing a new media card, the XQD format, and then not installing it their latest A9 camera. The word on the street was this was done because so many photographers didn't want to lose their investment in media cards that they already had. I don't believe it. Planned obsolescence is the name of the game. I think the real reason is they were worried it might impact sales. I'm still at the wait and see stage of any action I might take when it comes to mirrorless. Ultimately the mirrorless camera will prevail but I expect it to be a more gradual dominance than some of the doomsayers predict.

The big question is when will we see some advances in lenses. I have no argument that the precision of the glass and the huge improvement in coatings are a giant step but pro lenses are heavy and bulky. The physics of optics hasn't changed in centuries and the light gathering capabilities haven't really improved. I'm truly surprised we haven't seen the introduction of a true, high definition digital lens.

I have joked for years that camera manufacturers still don't know what to do with our noses when they design cameras and they have only exacerbated the problem by sticking a monitor right where we can cover it with nose oil.

Smartphones killed the compact market you would think camera manufacturers would fight back and at least install phone capability in our cameras. Smart phones have miniature cameras why can't camera have miniature phones? You already have touch screens and a microphone. A speaker and logic board to handle all of that could be tucked away in the camera. Think how convenient it would be not to have to drag a separate phone out in the middle of shooting.

Then of course there is my favorite peeve. A photo paper, photo printer and camera industry that have never talked to each other. We have a variety of

sensor aspect ratios that have little to do with paper industries sizes. I pity the poor folks new to this shell game trying to figure out how to make an image fit a paper size after they carefully framed the image in camera. That's, of course, after attempting to make some sense of getting their printers to match what they see on their monitors. It is most certainly within the realm of possibility but it would only benefit you and not the manufacturers who make a huge profit through your mistakes.

We have come a long way in terms of technology but I can't wait for the next breakthrough. There is a lot yet to be invented.

## **FEBRUARY 19TH PROGRAM NIGHT**

## **FIVE FAV'S FOR FIVE**

Pick any 5 images you want, they don't have to have been previously submitted, but they can be. You will have 5 minutes from the time your name is announced to present and talk about your 5 images, including any comments from the audience. You will be timed and cut off at 5 minutes.

It's recommended you practice your presentation. Size all 5 images as you would for critique submission night: 1920 pixels max horizontally, 1200 pixels max vertically, file no larger than 1MB. Send to me (not uploaded to website) - Robert Agli - robertagli@bendcable.com. I won't be checking sizing, so if it's not sized properly, it'll be shown as sent to me.

Images will be shown in the order received.

## HAS YOUR MONITOR BEEN CALIBRATED RECENTLY?

When your image is projected for critique/video/slide show/print, you want it as close as possible to the color you intended. Your home monitor will experience a color shift over time, so you need to recalibrate it every few months, if not more often.

CCC was given a copy of Spyder software from Datacolor for our club members to use. It resides with Jim Sellers and he'll gladly assign a time for you to use it. jjsellers@bendbroadband.com

Datacolor has some short guides which will help with your understanding of color management and printing.

### **BANNER IMAGES**

Thank you to those who have sent me images to use for the newsletter banner. As you can tell, I'm always looking for images. If you have some dipicting the Cascades and/or Central Oregon in general which would be applicable to our name and purpose and you are willing to share, please send them as jpgs and I will resize as needed. Thanks. bbmurphy@earthlink.net

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