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CLUB EVENT SCHEDULE

AUGUST

Critique Night: Open/Theme Theme: Fantasy Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM 15th Program Night: Member Video Night 16th Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM

SEPTEMBER

5th **NO MEETING**

6th Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM 19th Critique Night: Open/Theme/Prints Theme: Action 20th Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM

OCTOBER

3rd Critique Night: Open/Theme Theme: Black and White 4th Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM 17th Program Night: Member Video Night 18th Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM

NOVEMBER

 7^{th} Critique Night: Open/Theme Theme: Night Sky 8th Photo Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM 21^{st} Program Night: TBA 22ndPhoto Talk Lunch at Cafè Sintra 11-1 PM



"Inspired By Erte" ©Ron Alvig Theme "Portrait"

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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

July Critiquer

David Johnson

July Theme

Portrait

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



CRITIC'S CHOICES

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JULY SUBMISSIONS

Theme:

Robert Agli Brent's Reading Room Ron Alvig Inspired by Erte Joel Bailie All Mine

Joel Bailie All Mine Ruth Baker Koda

Wendy Caro Oy, Such a Beauty!
Ralph Delamarter Mere Shadow of Myself

Bill Dziuk A Father's Love

Donita Elbert Buddy's 1st and Last Surfing Adventure

Blanche Feekes Irish Eyes

Jeannine Florance Serious in Cienfuegos

Michael Gail Jim

Mike Gallagher The Story Teller
Quent Gillard Los Barriles Man
Erin Hawthorne Heart Strings
Joe Hudspeth Lost in Thought
Hugh Janssen Nice Day

Rich Marrocco
Bev Murphy
Judy Neill
Joyce Normon

Deliverance
A Look from Above
Two Beautiful Faces
Double Trouble

Michael Rouse Red Baron Rises Again

Ginger Sanders Beloved

Jack Schade Rick with Window Light

Dan Schafer Girl with a Turquoise Nose Ring

John Stewart Juliana Among Ferns

Jim St. John Kyla

Open

Larry McFerrin Pals

Pete Martin Elk Lake Reflection John O'Donnell Birch Bay Sunset

Don Trask Cat Contemplating String

MA Willson Field of Dreams

Our Critiquer for August Vern Bartley









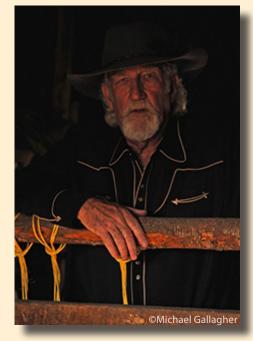








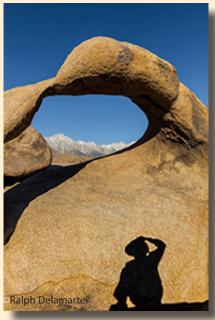






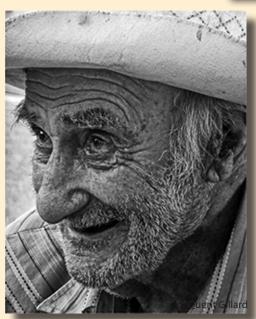








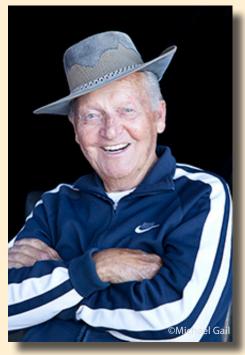
July Member Images Theme: Portrait

















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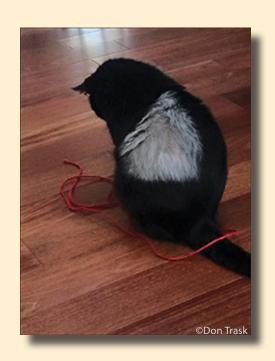












ANOTHER VIEW by ROBERT AGLI

THE ARROGANCE OF TECHNOLOGY

I'm an early adopter. I love playing with the latest toys but I want to make the decision on when and what technology I elect to embrace. On occasion I have to sit back and reflect on the folly of what seems to be change for the sake of change.

MONTHLY THEMES

Aug Fantasy
Sept Action
Oct Black/White
Nov Night Skies
Dec Peaceful

Be sure 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

A case in point is Nikon's decision to introduce a new media card format, the XQD. Size wise this card looks like a smaller CF card. It offers faster read, write speeds, does not have the bent pin problems plaguing CF cards, is incredibly durable and big enough you won't misplace it on your desk or in the field. In a word it's terrific. The problem is it is used only with the D5 and the D500 and no other manufacturer is using the card. A month after the D5 came on stream Canon introduced their new flagship, the 1DX MkII with yet another format, the CFast card. With these two industry giants leading the way with two new and exclusive formats they have caused even greater problems for the world of photographers who now have significant investment in other formats. It is conceivable that some folks will have to carry 4 different types of media cards and that doesn't even take into account the Micro cards used by GoPros and drones.

Essentially these geniuses have announced "we will build it and you will come regardless of the inconvenience and investment loss we will cause". In my opinion that's arrogance.

This technological arrogance is by no means limited to photography. The king of the hill with this kind of thinking is Apple. They have decreed the CD/DVD player dead and no longer available on many of their models. They have changed cable format so often on both their computers and other devices I'm convinced that must be where the real profits are buried.

I recently purchased a new MacPro. It's a slick looking, very powerful computer that uses only USB 3 and Thunderbolt connectors. That means if you have devices using Firewire connectors, Apple's previous "connector of the month", you are out of luck. Of course you can always buy adapter cables and pray your now obsolete peripheral devices will

work. Furthermore, the ports are limited in number and there is no way to add ports to Apple's little "black trash can". Apple has decreed by their design that hereto and forthwith you will buy only Thunderbolt peripherals and daisy chain them or invest in a powered USB hub and take your chances on what will be compatible with the computer.

Apple is by no means the only offender. Microsoft continues to announce "new and improved OS programs" that have resolved all of the old issues. The problem, of course, is the new program has been driven by a marketing organization who wants their latest money maker in the hands of the consumer before proper testing and refinement has been completed. The world-wide consumer market now becomes the Beta tester.

The Federal government loves to jump on this technology band wagon and decree all sorts of technology "improvements" that we will now live with at our expense. One of these little gems is the tire pressure monitoring system or TPMS. Apparently the Feds have determined that the American public is too dumb or lazy to monitor their tire pressures so now we are saddled with a battery operated device destined to fail well before the life span of the car. If they fail you are out to the tune of roughly \$60 a pop. If you replace the wheels on your car (i.e. snow tires) you are now stuck with an additional \$240 for these devices which may or may not work properly with the vehicle's computer.

The list can go on ad nauseam but my point is that I embrace change but I don't want it forced upon me. We would all be riding horses if the automobile had not been introduced but the difference between then and now is that automobile manufacturers did not shoot all the horses to insure the success of their products. Superior technology will prevail and arrogant marketing will not guarantee success.

AUGUST 15th PROGRAM

At our last meeting John Stewart provided some thought provoking narrative about the creation of video. John challenged us to create our own sequence of stills. As a result, we are going to move our member videos to the program night in October and the August program night will feature 5 images from each from club members. John will facilitate the member submissions discussion.

Here are John's words describing the challenge followed by an explanation on how to submit your images.

This assignment relates to John Stewart's presentation titled: Visual Storytelling Through Image Sequencing that was presented at our June 20th meeting.

Members are asked to create five horizontal images (landscape mode) that affect one another as a first step in the film-making process. The subject matter can be about a person (or animal), place, process, or event. Emphasis should be on creating images that include medium shots, close ups, and long shots. Think of directing the viewers' eye to important information that tells your story.

A sequence is an important building block in a film. There are many sequences in a scene and many scenes in a completed film. Experiment and have fun seeing what you can create with five images.

Submission - You will submit the same way you always have through the website using the same format for your images. You can use your own title or simply label the images "video" preceded by the numbers 1 through 5. For example your images title could start as "1Video" or "1Playing in the Mud". You must include a number so that the images are displayed in the correct order. Example: photographer_title_1_2_, etc.

2017 Themes

Your Board will be selecting Themes for 2017 shortly. If you have some ideas which you'd like to have considered, email them to me at bbmurphy@earthlink.net. I'll include them in the list from which the Board will select the 12 for 2017.

Western Portrait Workshop

Saturday, August 27th, 10am until dark Includes seminar August 24th, and A Critique Night August 31st, Fee only \$225

Ideal for everyone from novice to expert

The photo shoot is on a working ranch in Prineville with the Ochoco mountains as a backdrop.

There will be time to photograph ranch scenes, hay barns, old buildings, gorgeous panoramas and even old trucks! Followed by the feature event of photographing both a male and female model with and without horses and an additional surprise to be announced at the shoot. It's a full day of shooting and we include a light lunch!

Contact Robert@robertagliphotography.com or call 541-408-3772.

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