



the Galleon



The Santa Maria Camera Club Newsletter August 2021

President's Message

I hope you are able to be outside this summer and can try new things with your photography. Larry and I just returned from Peru and the Inca Trail trek to Machu Picchu. It was spectacular but the trek was extremely hard. After daily 10-hour hikes at 12-14,000 ft we were too exhausted to get creative with our photography. I had many ideas but, in the end, hauled a tripod and those extra lenses around for nothing. We both stuck with 28-70 lenses. At 14,000 ft there is so little oxygen, we couldn't think well, much less get creative!

Live easy my friends,

Cheryl

Editor Message

The month of August in Italy in the past meant holiday. Most companies closed for 2 to 3 weeks, everyone went on holiday, and my family also used these weeks to go to the sea, or to the mountains. My father, as the man of the family, was the photographer, but he hates to take picture and every year, when we come back and we developed the photo, my mother criticized him for the result. One year my father said to me "from now on, it is your responsibility, you are the photographer". I was so happy, and I spent all 3 weeks taking pictures of the mountains, the village, the landscape and quite nothing of family memories. We went back home; we developed the films (2 instead of the usual 1) and the comment from my mother was: "there is nothing that remind me of our trip and what a waste of money". August is not now link with holidays (work does not stop in this month). These days you don't have to wait to develop to see your photos but the magic of taking picture and seeing them, does not change. Is this not what we really love when we go out?

Flavio

Judge for Competition Meeting

Our judge for the August competition will be

Celeste Giudice

Celeste Giudice is an award winning commercial and fine art photographer, visual designer, and marketing communications professional. Early in her career, Celeste earned her degree in Advertising and Commercial photography at the New England School of Photography in Boston and now manages her own studio in downtown Nashua, NH. She has published three books, a cookbook featuring her photography and design, a coffee table book of African wildlife that she produced for her colleague, wildlife photographer, Billy Dodson, and a children's book for children with cancer for Circle of Care featuring the illustrations and story by Karen Morgen Besser. Celeste is an Adobe Community Professional and teaches Lightroom, Photoshop and other Adobe applications. You can see some of Celeste's work on Instagram at: www.instagram.com/celesteguidice and also on her website at www.cmga.com

Tony

August 4th Program Meeting

Photo Books

7:00pm – 8:30pm

As we always do, the club is holding a ***Special End of the Year Competition***. The club decided to make Photobooks again and submit them to be judged. There are many different styles of books, and people create them many for different reasons, such as a vacation memory, family event, creative project, or as a work of art that can be published, shared, and even marketed. In these modern, computer age times, it's easier than ever to create a book of our photos. A few years ago, the Santa Maria Camera Club even produced one from our members images.

At this meeting we'll talk about all aspects from the design, creation, printing, and anything else that will come up. I'd like to ask our members that have printed books in the past to help clear the air on this fun and rewarding project. Feel free to show books that you have created, even if they were not part of a previous competition.

About 8:00pm we'll have **Shown & Tell**. Feel free to show images on any subject, such as our Milky Way field trip, but please limit the number to a reasonable amount, such as 7, so we can finish on time at 8:30pm. Images should be sized the same way as our competitions and identified some way as to who the photographer is. Please send to santamariacameraclub@gmail.com no later than the night before the meeting.

Meetings are currently online using **Webex**. The invitation will be sent prior to the meeting. You can log on as early as 6:45pm, so we can start the meeting promptly at 7:00pm.

Alan

JULY COMPETITION RESULT

Judge: Rudy Vega

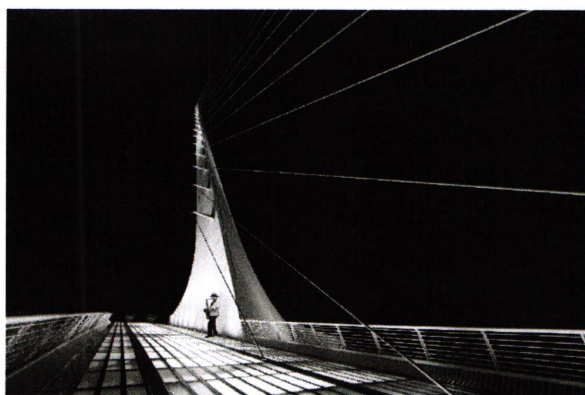
Digital Monochrome

1ST PLACE	Steve Goff	Ed E. Powell
2ND PLACE	Disney composite	Jim McKinniss
3RD PLACE	Samuel Beckett Bridge	Tony Martindale
HONORABLE MENTION	Cayucas pier at night	Elaine Calvert

Digital color

1ST PLACE	A photographer's playground	Elaine Calvert
2ND PLACE	End of day	Harold Litwiler
3RD PLACE	Butterfly	Ed E Powell
HONORABLE MENTION	Microburst	Frank Tromp

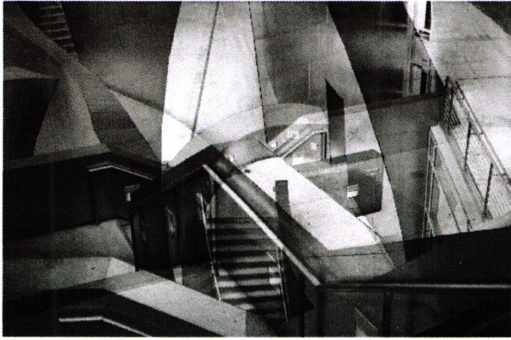
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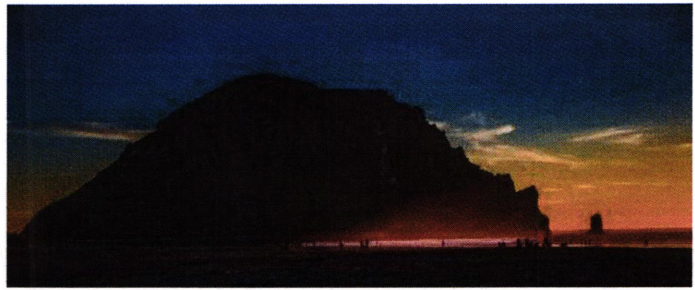
By Ed E Powell



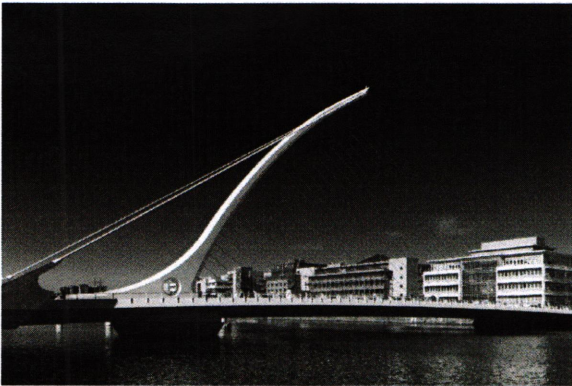
By Elaine Calvert



By Jim McKinniss



By Harold Litwiler



By Tony Martindale



By Ed E Powell



By Elaine Calvert



By Frank Tromp

SMCC Field Trips for August 2021

by Penni Powell 805.363.1931 penpowell2020@gmail.com

Please note: Bad weather or Covid 19 can cancel outdoor activities. Contact the leader if you are in doubt. ***Check your email for any updates.***

August 22 (Sun 8:00am - noon) – SLO Swap meet @ the Sunset Drive-in (street photography)

Meet at Starbucks in Nipomo next to Ace Hardware at 8am if you want to carpool or meet at the snack bar area of the swap meet at 9am. The Sunset Drive-in is at 255 Elks Lane (off Prado Lane exit as you head North on the 101).

We'll follow the current guidelines for Covid conditions in SLO County.

There will be tons of different things for sale as well as some food vendors. We can reconvene at a later time and decide where to go for lunch. I haven't gone to this before so I can't say how much time it will take to see it all, maybe 2 hours?

CASH ONLY and it costs only \$1 to walk-in, parking outside on the street, or \$3 to park inside.

Why Go? Get some swaps meet deals, practice your street photography skills and later have some lunch with your camera club buddies – A trifecta of fun!



and Beyond...

Here are some ideas, not all are field trips but FYI

- Sept 12th (noon – 4:30pm) – Buellton Wine and Chili Festival
- Sept 18th (10a – 3p) – Farm Day Santa Barbara County (Santa Maria) is free...
- Sept 26th – Automotive Classic at Trilogy Monarch Dunes, Nipomo, is free...

Oct 2nd – Estrella Warbirds Museum's "Warbirds, Wings, and Wheels" (Paso Robles) \$10

November - Multi-day trip to places around Las Vegas Nevada

Valley of Fire, Red Rock Canyon, Mt Charleston, Corn Creek, and other birding sites, plus Nelson "ghost" town and more! Camping or? Let me know your thoughts so I can build this trip around your interests. Penni penpowell2020@gmail.com

USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLUB

Meetings	1 st and 3 rd Wednesday each month at 7:00 pm
Location	Via WebEx due to the Covid problem If you want to participate, please contact Greg Doudna gndoudna@gmail.com You will receive a Join the Meeting invitation email from Greg shortly after 6:45pm the evening of the meeting. Simply clicking on Join Meeting will connect you to this virtual video program meeting
Membership dues	\$ 30 per person; \$ 45 Family; \$ 20 to participate in the competition meeting. All the due are per year
2021 Club officers	President: Cheryl Decker Vice President: Allan Upshaw Secretary Rosie Brancacio Treasurer: Bill Hood
At-large Board Members	Patty Blyte, Elaine Calvert, Nyla James, Tony Martindale, Flavio Parigi, Penni Powell
2021 Competition Rules	Each member may submit a maximum of 3 total image submissions in any category per competition.
Categories will be:	Digital color Digital Monochrome
Immediate Past president	Jeanne Sparks
2021 Special Subjects	March – Reflection June – Machines September - Silhouette
Submit your images for digital competition to:	Greg Doudna santamariacameraclub@gmail.com Digital images can only be submitted by email. All the digital images MUST be received no later than the Sunday prior to the Wednesday competition. Images not received in time, will not be entered in the competition
Galleon Director	Flavio Parigi fparigi@aol.com

COMMITTEE CHAIRS & CLUB VOLUNTEERS

Webmaster	Greg Doudna
Digital Projectionist	Greg Doudna & Chuck Uebele
Slide Projectionist	Ed E. Powel
SMCC Directory & Calendar	Rosie Brancacio
Historian	Nyla James
Judge Recruitment	Tony Martindale
Saturday Chat	Jim McKinniss
Point Tabulator	Richard Russ
Print Coordinators	Flavio Parigi & Jim Snodgrass
Slide Coordinator	Elaine Calvert
Image scoring	Elaine Calvert, Ramona Cashmore, Penni Powell
Program Recruitment	Alan Upshaw
Refreshment	Joyce Bolivar
PSA Representative	Nyla Janes
Library Coordinator	Larry Decker
Meeting room setup	Everyone !!
Membership recruitment	Richard Russ
	Penni Powell, Bob Mihelic, Rosie Brancacio, Bonnie Adams, Alan Upshaw, Greg Doudna
Field trips	Nyla James & Amaya Rangel
Name Tags	

Treasury Report

We have in our bank \$ 1.885.31

- “The camera sees more than the eye, so why not make use of it.”
— Edward Weston