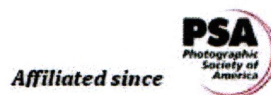




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The Santa Maria Camera Club Newsletter February 2021

President's Message

Rain brings green hills and clouds in the sky...it is a great time to be a photographer! I hope you can get out between the drops to practice some skills and techniques. Recently I took some online photography classes to become better at image composition and to learn luminance masks. I am putting it to the test with some recent forays for seascape and landscape photography.

Speaking of online classes one of our past judges from SLO, Nic Stover offers online tutorials, live classes, and workshops. They are not expensive, and he will give back 25% to our club! Look for an email flyer about this opportunity to improve our treasury and learn something new.

I hope everyone enjoyed the 2021 SMCC Awards program...to recap the awards:

High Point mono photographer - Jim McKinniss

High Point color photographer-Janine Bognuda

High Point small print photographer- Bob Ginn

High point digital mon photographer- Jim McKinniss

High Point slide photographer- Flavio Parigi

High overall photographer of 2020- Jim McKinniss

Mono print of the year- Scott Clark

Large Color print of the year- Janine Bognuda

Small print of the year- Janine Bognuda

Digital color image of the year- Frank Tromp.

Digital mono print of the year- Jim McKinniss

2020 Image of the year of 2020- Jim McKinniss

Congratulations to all semi-finalists and finalists...especially to Jim who stole the show!!!

I must thank Greg Doudna again, winner of the Shepard award, for his service to the Santa Maria Camera Club. Without his work to make online competitions happen, we might not have survived the shutdown in 2020.

I delivered the president's medals to Sharon Salerno last week. She was INCREDIBLY grateful. She advised me that she plans to move out of state in a few months to be near her daughter.

Last words...if you have not paid dues., you are late :-)

Remember to plan for our 2021 competition themes:

March – Reflections

June – Machines

Sept - Silhouette

Cheryl

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

- The picture that you took with your camera is the imagination you want to create with reality.”
— **Scott Lorenzo.**

February 3 Program Meeting

This will be our first meeting of the year. We are still meeting online with Webex.

For the 2020 Special Subject Competition, we once again chose photo books. The books were judged in January. This will be our chance to share the books with club members.

Book sharing can be done by “sharing screen”. If you would rather just hold up your book, that is ok too, but to get the real impact here are some suggestions on how to show them:

- **BOOKS CREATED USING BLURB'S BOOKWRITE**
The easiest way to show your is to open your book in BookWrite and then use the Preview mode.
- Another way is to logon to Blurb and show your book using Blurb's preview. I prefer this method because the presentation is visually better and a little easier to navigate.
- **SHOW BOOKS USING A PDF**
Many self-publish book software have the ability to create a PDF of the book. You can show your book using that PDF. Note that it should be a double page PDF.

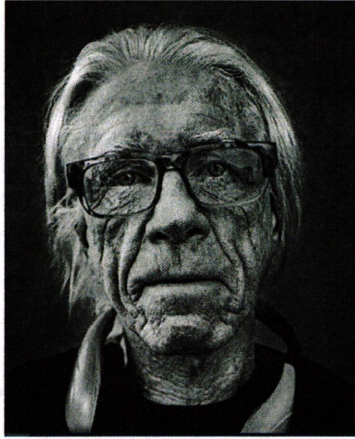
Following the book showing, we will have Show & Tell. This is the time to show your “Warm Glow” images from our winter individual field trip. Of course, anything else is fine too. No limits on the number of images, but please use your best judgement.

Greg will send an email invitation prior to the start of the meeting. Please log on a little early, so we can start on-time at 7:00pm. Guests are always welcome. Please send an email to Greg.

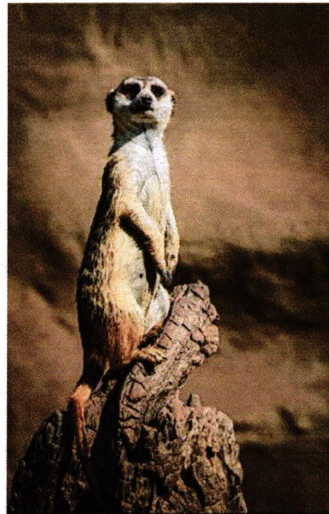
Alan

SMCC 2020 IMAGE OF THE YEARS

Monochrome print: Addiction by Scott Clark



Color prints: My manicurist is late by Jeanine Bognuda.



Small prints: Catch by Jeanine Bognuda



Judge for Competition Meeting

This month our Competition meeting will be held February 17 at 7:00 pm and is an open theme night. Our judge for the evening will be **Daniel Dreifuss**, who has judged for us in the past.

Daniel was born and raised in San Diego; CA. Daniel fell in love with photography in High where he traded a Dickies Jacket for his first camera. After high school he attended Brooks Institute of Photography majoring in Commercial Advertising Photography. He went on to work in Israel covering two wars and documenting local and regional stories.

Daniel is currently the staff photographer at Santa Barbara Independent and worked for 4 and a half years as a staff photographer at Santa Maria Times, Lompoc Record, Santa Ynez Valley News, and Adobe Press (Lee Central Coast Newspapers). He currently freelances for the Associated Press, Los Angeles Times, New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The United Nations Refugee Agency, along with local and regional news outlets. He covered hundreds of college and professional sports games, events, documented local stories, fire, and covered national, international, and regional breaking news. He also works closely with the UNHCR documenting refugees in Central and South America. Daniel is an advocate for hiring local photographers/arts before hiring out of LA. Daniel is the president of his scooter club and loves street photography. His website can be seen at <http://www.danieldreifuss.com>

Tony

Editor's Message

What a beautiful and funny meeting we had in January when we saw the award competition for 2020 and what beautiful photos. My deep congratulation to everyone and in particular to Penny, the winner of the hat competition.



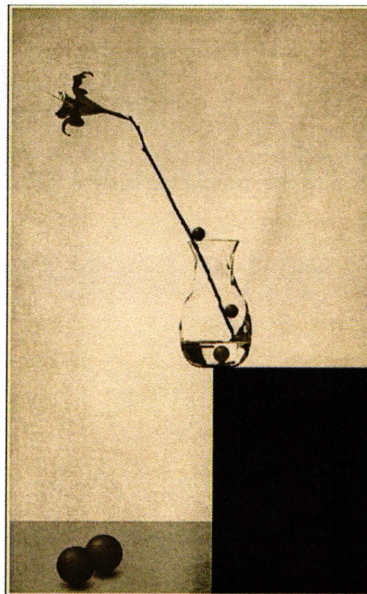
Have your camera ready for 2021? Remember to pay the dues and enter in 2021 competitions where now, every time, we can send 3 images. Good luck to everyone.

Flavio

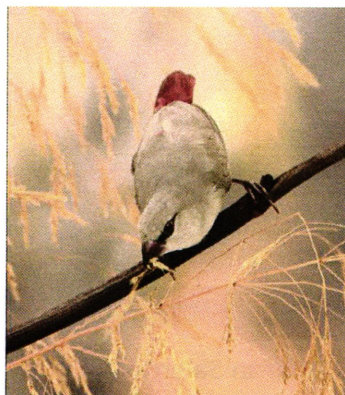
Slide: Where I have to go by Flavio Parigi



Digital Monochrome: Vase at table edge # 1 by Jim McKinniss

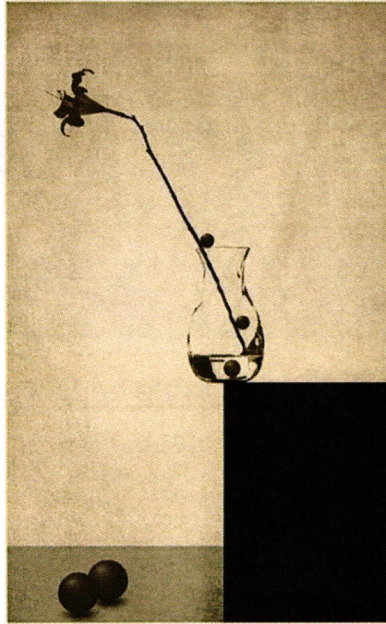


Color Monochrome: Lavendar by Frank Tromp



2020 IMAGE OF THE YEAR

Vase at table edge # 1 by Jim McKinniss



BOOK CONTEST

1ST PLACE

Jim McKinniss

2ND PLACE

Tony Martindale

3RD PLACE

Elaine Calvert

HONORABLE MENTION

Ed E Powell

HONORABLE MENTION

Greg Doudna

HIGH POINT AWARDS

Monochrome print

Jim McKinniss

Color print

Janine Bognuda

Small print

Janine Bognuda

Slide

Flavio Parigi

Digital color

Elaine Calvert & Chuck Ubele

Digital black and white

Jim McKinniss

SHEPPARD AWARDS

Greg Doudna

PRESIDENT AWARD

Jim Ogg and Sharon Salerno

JANUARY COMPETITION RESULT

Judge: Len Wood

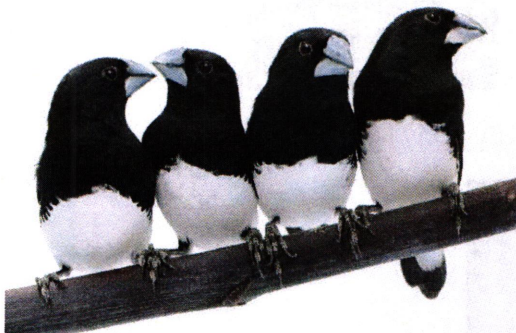
Digital Monochrome

1ST PLACE	Total recall #6am	Jim McKinniss
2ND PLACE	Car ferry as seen from Vaporetto	Jim McKinniss
3RD PLACE	Le Conti	Jim McKinniss
HONORABLE MENTION	Laycock Abbey window	Tony Martindale

Digital color

1ST PLACE	Black and white in color	Frank Tromp
2ND PLACE	Solo	Greg Doudna
3RD PLACE	Ready to go	Chuck Ubele
HONORABLE MENTION	Peekaboo	Larry Decker
HONORABLE MENTION	Muskegan lighthouse	Larry Decker

Congratulation to everyone



By Frank Tromp



By Jim McKinniss



By Greg Doudna



By Jim McKinniss



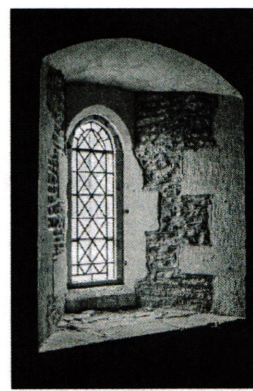
By Chuck Ubele



By Jim McKinniss



By Larry Decker



By Tony Martindale



By Larry Decker

SMCC Field Trips for January 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.***

Feb 18th – 22nd 2021 – Yosemite and Horsetail Falls Motel in Yosemite Valley or El Portal. We will be in Yosemite Feb 18-21, 2021, with the hopes of catching Horsetail Falls glowing in the sunset. Leaving on Sunday, we can check out the Blossom Trail by Fresno and for a special treat, watch the sandhill cranes fly in at Pixley Wildlife Refuge after sunset. Camp at the nearby State Park (Col. Allensworth), motel, or head home (will be extremely late).

Word is that the last storm has closed Yosemite's southern section and that only the Valley is open. If you are thinking of going, please go to Yosemite National Park website for updates. Also, unless you have lodging reserved in the Valley, you will need to get a day pass starting Feb 1st – this is the park service's way to control the Horsetail Falls crowds during Covid. More details will be posted on the park's website as they are decided.



For more info contact Penni Powell at penpowell2020@gmail.com or 805-929-2420.

***Why Do This? A double or triple mask will keep your face warmer.
in February at Yosemite Valley...STYLING!***

and Beyond...*In Peril of Cancellation...*

March 19th, 2021(Fri 5:45 – 8:45pm) Point San Luis Lighthouse Sunset Photo Shoot –
Thank you to Bob Mihelic!

March 20th (Sat) Day trip to Pinnacles National Park

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 July – Machines September - Silhouette
Submit your images for digital competition to:	Greg Doudna gndoudna@gmail.com Digital images can only be submitted by email. All the digital images <u>MUST</u> 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
Field trips	Penni Powell, Bob Mihelic, Rosie Brancacio, Bonnie Adams, Alan Upshaw, Greg Doudna
Name Tags	Nyla James & Amaya Rangel

Treasury Report

We have in our bank \$ 1,463.87