



the Galleon



The Santa Maria Camera Club Newsletter June 2021

President's Message

This photography stuff is hard work! As I write, I am jet lagged from my 2 am wake up call to get out and shoot the blood moon. Thank goodness Larry goes along with this craziness and drives. We had scouted a location, but the fog and clouds rolled in...no total blood moon. We did get some partial eclipse shots, but it seemed a lot of effort for the results. I hope some of you tried for some interesting images this month, either at the junk graveyard in Sunny Acres or the blood moon or something else interesting. Looking forward to the machinery themed competition in June...happy shooting.

Cheryl

June 2 Program Meeting, 7-8:30pm

Frequency Separation

Chuck Uebele will demonstrate retouching in Photoshop using Frequency Separation. Frequency Separation is a process to split an image into a detail layer and a tone layer, thus making it easier to do complex retouching.

As usual, we will have a Show & Tell. Members can submit up to 7 images to santamariacameraclub@gmail.com. Please submit your images no later than June 1, the night before the meeting.

We are still meeting online with Webex. An invitation will be sent out prior to the meeting. Please log on before 7pm so we can start on-time. The official meeting will end at 8:30pm, but members will be able to stay on afterwards to chat afterwards.

Alan

Judge for Competition Meeting

Our judge for the June competition, Machines, will be Chana Messer who was found for us by Chuck Uebele. She is obviously an incredibly talented artist as her biography will attest to. Her biography and online presence are below.

Chana Messer Biography

Chana has been teaching at the university level for 30+ years in the fields of Fine Art and Digital Imaging. She currently teaches at the USC Annenberg School of Communication and School of Cinematic Arts. In Addition to lecturing, Chana is a contributor to various platforms as a writer and tech editor and has been invited by Adobe to present at events such as MacWorld, AIGA, HOW, Adobe MAX, and other events in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Chicago, New York, and Tel Aviv. She is an Adobe Subject Matter Expert, Adobe Certified Instructor, Adobe Education Leader, Adobe Community Professional, and an Adobe User Group Manager. Chana is also the owner of Mac in Art, a boutique design company in Los Angeles, where she is an exhibiting artist.

<https://www.behance.net/chanaart>

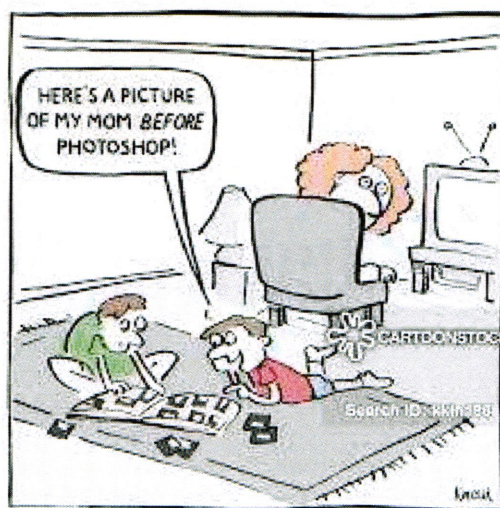
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Tony

Editor Message



MAY COMPETITION RESULT

Judge: Bob Francis

Digital Monochrome

1ST PLACE	Woman in window	Jim McKinniss
2ND PLACE	Sculpted and shimmering sands	Elaine Calvert
3RD PLACE	Lighthouse steps	Ed E Powell

Digital color

1ST PLACE	Abandoned	Gregory Doudna
2ND PLACE	Lensbaby rose bub	Chuck Uebele
3RD PLACE	Coastal sunset	Elaine Calvert
HONORABLE MENTION	Morning light on Eureka Dunes	Penni Powell
HONORABLE MENTION	Reaching	Jeanine Sparks

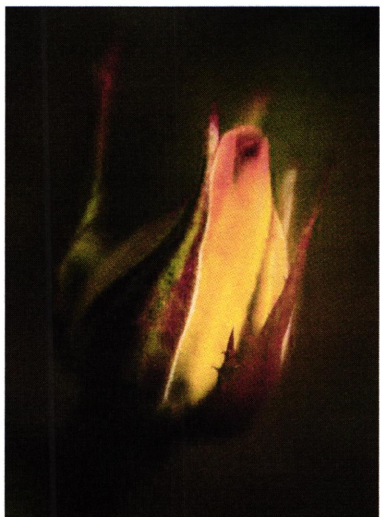
Congratulation to everyone



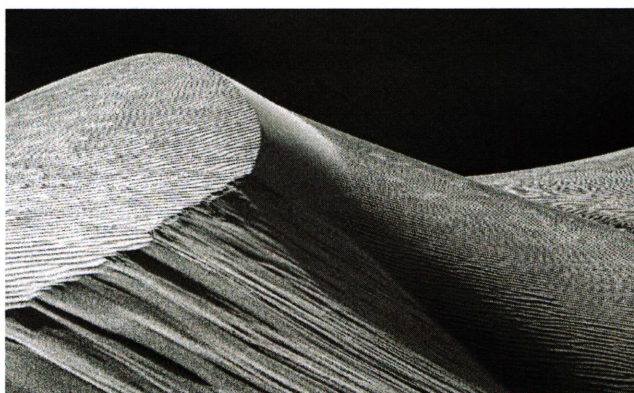
By Gregory Doudna



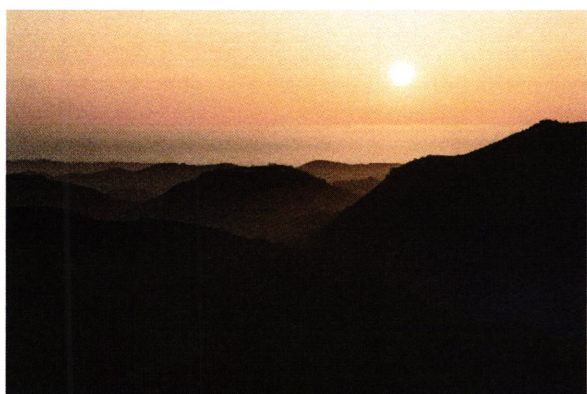
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By Elaine Calvert



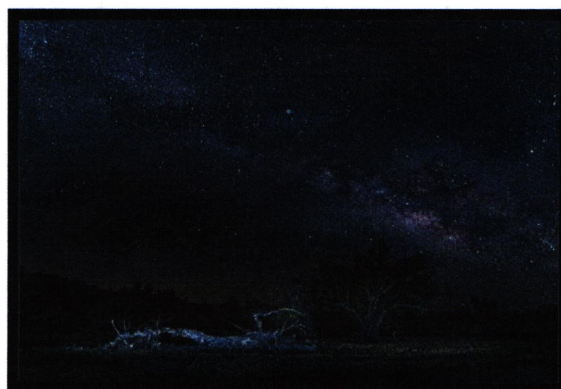
By Elaine Calvert



By Ed E Powell



By Penny Powell



By Jeanine Sparks

SMCC Field Trips for June 20

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.***

June 19th (Sat) Piedras Blancas Light Station Tour, North of Hearst Castle on Hwy 1 – You will want to get your ticket right away for this ***reservation only*** field trip led by Penni. See more info in this Galleon on getting tickets **ASAP** before they are sold out.



Why Go? Good company, ample photo opts...

and Beyond...

July 10th (Sat evening) – Prime time for Milky Way Photography! The location will be determined soon. It will be announced in the July Galleon.

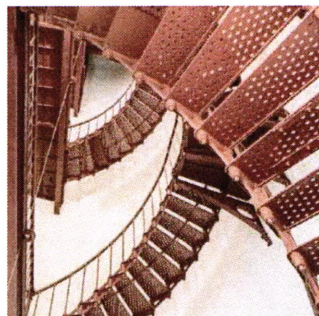
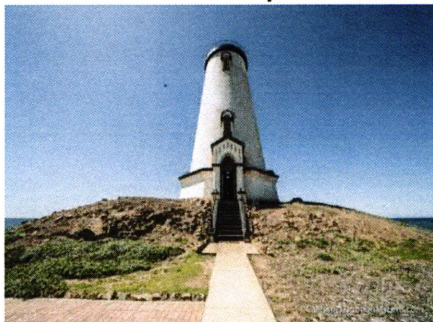
Other field trip ideas that have been suggested to me:

- Cambria Cemetery
- Santa Barbara Botanical Garden
- Sunset Drive-In Flea Market in SLO

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.

Save the date! Get your tickets now before they are gone!!!



Piedras Blancas Light Station Field Trip June 19, 2021 9:45am

"This tour is more than just a walk-through history. During this 2-hour tour you will not only learn about the importance of light houses to the maritime history of California, but you will see amazing wildlife which could include whales, elephant seals, Peregrine Falcons, and any of the 100s of species which call Piedras Blancas Home. Your knowledgeable docent will guide you on an easy 1/2 mile walk through our nature preserve and historic buildings including the 140-year-old Piedras Blancas Light House. Access to the light station is limited to ticketed tours. Currently the **tours are self-guided** with the docents available to answer questions. *I think this will make photography much easier!* Individual family or household groups will briefly be allowed to be inside the key buildings, including the fog signal building and the circa 1875 lighthouse's main floor. Stairs to the top of the tower have been closed to the public for years. Masks and social distancing are required, as well as **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS**. Go to www.recreation.gov/ticket/facility/252948 or search for "Piedras Blancas Light Station at recreation.gov. Only 30 people are on the tour and we will be part of the regular mix of folks. Rates are Adult \$10 or \$5 with Senior National Parks pass (you input the pass number in check out) plus \$1 reservation fee per ticket, nonrefundable. **WHAT A DEAL! As of May 20th, there are 26 tickets available, so GET YOURS NOW!!!** Directions and instructions are on the website. The lighthouse is about six miles North of Hearst Castle and on the ocean side of Hwy 1 (duh!), past the main elephant seal viewing areas. The tour does not meet at the gate of the light station, but at the Piedras Blancas Motel 1.5 miles north of the gate. Please dress in layers the weather can change quickly. The field trip meets at Starbucks on Tefft Street, Nipomo, by Miners Hardware at 6am. Carpooling ok if vaccinated. We will head to Cambria and view the lighthouse lens, visit the elephant seals, and be early to the Piedras Blancas Motel to photograph there before the tour begins.



After the tour, how about a bite to eat? The group can decide where to go for lunch.

For more info, contact Penni at penpowell2020@gmail.com or (805) 363-1931

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 santamariacameraclub@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 Penni Powell, Bob Mihelic, Rosie Brancacio, Bonnie Adams, Alan Upshaw, Greg Doudna
Field trips	
Name Tags	Nyla James & Amaya Rangel

Treasury Report

We have in our bank \$ 2.094.23

- “No place is boring if you have a good night’s sleep and have a pocket full of unexposed film”
— Robert Adams.