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Eastern Sierra Sunset by Patrick Rhames

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Meetings for March	Upcoming Dates:				
	March 5	SJVCCC Digitals Due			
Monthly Meeting	March 8	SJVCCC Meeting			
Our March Meeting will be on March 17th at 7 pm at	March 10	FCC Program Night			
the University Merced Center.	March 18	FCC Meeting—Prints			
	March 21	SJVIE Entries Due			
Print Competition	March 28-29	SJVIE International Judging			
	April 14	Program Night			
Program Night—March 10th	April 21	FCC Meeting			
Topic—Selection	* No SJVCCC Meeting in April				
FCC—Fresno Camera Club					
SJVCCC– San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council	Don't forget, dinn	er at the Spaghetti Factory,			
	1610 E. Shaw Avenue in Fresno before th				
	monthly FCC meeting at 5 p.m. We will be dor				
	, in time for the me	<b>u</b> ,			

March 2020									
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
1	2	3	4	5 SJVCCC Digitals Due	6	7			
8 SJVCCC Meeting 10 a.m.	9	10 Program Night 7 p.m.	11	12	13	14			
15	16	17 Monthly Meeting 7 p.m.	18	19	20	21 <sub>SJVIE</sub> Entries Due			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 International Judging			
29 Internationa Judging	30 al	31							

#### **Program Night!**

When:	March 10th
Time:	7:00 p.m.
Where:	Spectrum Gallery, 608 E Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA 93728
Cost:	\$2

The program planned for March's Program Night, will be Selections

Using Selections is a technique that allows you to make a physical selection of a portion or element of your image and then adjust the properties of just that area to achieve a desired effect. Luminosity masks, mentioned in my image description this month, is a good example of using Selections. A luminosity mask is selection of a part of an image based on the luminance levels.

The intention is to provide several sources of video instruction that will provide more visual and detailed instruction once the basics have been explained.

Monthly Thomas Compatition	2020 Calendar Dates					
Monthly Theme Competition	March 10	Program Night	7 p.m.			
March—Shadows	March 17	Prints	7 p.m.			
March Shadows	April 14	Program Night / Digitals Due	7 p.m.			
April—Water	April 21	Digital	7 p.m.			
May Flora	May 2	Program Night	7 p.m.			
March—Shadows April—Water May—Flora June—Portraits July—Fireworks September—Reflections October—Piles of Things November —Yellow or Orange December—Lights	May 19	Prints	7 p.m.			
June– Portraits	June 9	Program Night	7 p.m.			
L L Fine and a	June 16	Digital	7 p.m			
July—Fireworks	July 18	BBQ - Prints	4 p.m.			
September—Reflections	August	Vacation, no activities				
•	September 8	Program Night / Digitals Due	7 p.m.			
October—Piles of Things	September 15	Digital	7 p.m.			
November –Yellow or Orange	October 6	Board meeting	6:30 pm			
Ū.	October 13	Program Night	7 p.m.			
December—Lights	October 20	Prints	7 p.m.			
	November 10	Program / Digitals Due	7 p.m.			
	November 17	Digitals	7 p.m.			
	December 5	Digitals Due for Year End				
	December 12	Year End Awards Luncheon One Song Slide Show	10 a.m.			

#### **February Results**

Aaron Rogers from Horn Photo was our judge this evening. He judged 51 images and selected Eastern Sierra Sunset by Patrick Rhames as image of the night. He also looked at 14 theme images and selected Night Riders by Lori Azevedo as Theme of the Night.

Ray Anderson		John Greening	
Sand Hills - Dawn	8	Wading Willet	8
Flight	0	Frosty Pear Leaf	104th
Foothills Derelict	7	Guggenheim Museum	8
Surfing a Paddle Board 2	9	Bilbao Spain	U
		Dee Humphrey	
Lori Azevedo	0	Shadows Death Valley	10
Crab Bites Pelican Over the	8	Mesquite Dunes	10
Waves	9	Portmouth Maine	10
Parking Police	8	Abby Kelley	
		Fallen	9
Elizabeth Bedard		Details	9
Succulents	8	Native	9
Snowshower on the	9		
Goalie	0	Bonnie Polson	
Ceiling Patterns	9	Great Blue Heron	9
John Crawford		River, Sand, and Trees in Fall	9
Merced River with Yosemite Falls 2	8	Cornfield Sunset	8
Yosemite Falls 2	8	Patrick Rhames	
Falling from Yosemi-	8	Eastern Sierra Sunset	10 1st
te 2	0	Fall Comes to the East- ern Sierras	10
Larry Cusick		Colors of the Eastern	-
Wagon Wheels	7	Sierras	9
Ferris Wheel Color	7		
Ferris Wheel Mono-	9	Jonathan Rollins	
chrome		Sunset Over a Field of Rabbit Brush	8
Bob Gavette		Merced Wildlife Refuge	10
Bird Rock	7	Long Billed Dowitcher	10
Santa Clara Sunset	8	-	
Copper Brass and Steel	8		

Breaking Mist	10 3rd
El Capitan Sunrise	9
Morning Flight	10 2nd
Art Serabian	
Oaks in Field of Poppies	8
Desert Flow and Tex-	9
tures	5
Along for the Ride	10
Loye Stone	
Dune Death Valley	10
Photographing Antelope Canyon	9
Racetrack Death Valley	10
Shelley Stone	
Sedona Vegitation	8
Alabama Hills	8
Iced Elm Branch	
Diane Weigandt	
Mobius Arch	8
Bristlecone Pine	8
Bodie Chapel	8
Guenter Krueger	
Cactus on Hill	9
Portofino Harbor	8
Old Beverage Bottles	10
Judy Krueger	
Narrow Street Scene	8
Alaska Bear	8
Swiss Mountains	9
Ning Lin	
Dolomites after Storm	9
Winter - Yosemite	9
Winter in Japan	9

Jim Sanderson



In late October of last year, Jonathan Rollins, Jim Sanderson and myself travelled to the Lee Vining/Mono Lake area of the Eastern Sierras. I've lived here most of my life and had never gotten to that part of California, before.

This image was captured at 6:46 PM on October 24<sup>th</sup>, as I stood on the walkway allowing the public

Eastern Sierra Sunset

By Patrick Rhames





to reach Mono Lake. The shot is facing West, towards the mountains, and the sky really did look like this (for the most part).

The image is a rendering of 9 bracketed exposures, one stop apart. The Camera was a Nikon D850 mounted on a tripod. The lens used was a Nikkor 24-70 f/2.8. Focal length was 35mm, exposure set at f/7.1, ISO 64 and shutter at variable speeds (set by the camera) to achieve the variation in exposure.



The nine exposures were brought together in NIK HDR Efex Pro 2 and exported to PhotoShop with no preset (default setting).

In Photoshop, luminosity masks were used to reduce the luminance of the sky and increase the luminance of the shadows. The result was a nicely saturated sky and good detail in the shadows of the foreground.

There were other techniques used, within NIK, to create the tones and textures of the image.



Morning Flight

By Jim Sanderson

Shot at the Merced National Wildlife Refuge on December 18, 2019. There were nice skies after a storm with clear air. View is from the east side of the auto route looking back toward the





coast range mountains. The geese were in and this was taken moments after a blastoff while they were still circling. Sony a7riv with a 100-400 lens at 241mm, ISO 320, 1/4000s, f/5.6. Processed in Photoshop which was fairly straight forward. Cropped from the top with selective contrast adjustments and dodging and burning to suit. I also used perspective warp to redistribute the relative positions of the various layers in relation to one another.







By Jim Sanderson







Taken early on the morning of January 25, 2020 at the Merced National Wildlife Refuge. I used a Fuji GFX100 and a 32-64mm lens at 38mm, ISO 100, 1/13s. This was a three shot focus stack to get everything in focus to begin with from near to far. Black and White conversion done with Nik Silver Effects Pro as a plugin to Photoshop. The original sky was completely flat gray so I added a sky that had some clouds and reduced the opacity to blend with the original sky to give the shot more three dimensional depth. I used some dodging and burning to suit along with selective blurring to finish it up.



Frosty Pear Leaf

By John Greening







This flowering pear leaf was left on the ground over night when frost was predicted. Often this produces a rim of frost around the edges of leaves. However, for this one the interesting pattern of curving lines leading toward the base of the leaf created an intriguing image. The image was shot with a closeup lens attached to a Canon 100mm macro lens. Mounted on a tripod the settings were 1/4 sec at f11 with an ISO of 250. Post processing was in Lightroom.



February Theme

Night Riders

By Lori Azevedo

# Theme: Wheels





See Pages 10 and 11 for the other entries

#### Theme: Wheels



Orange Wheeled Skip Loader by Ray Anderson



Spare Tire by John Greening



Chrome Wheel By Dee Humphrey



Death Valley Relic by Jona-



Steam Engine Used in Munich Restoration by Judy Krueger



Big Wheel by Patt Anderson



Favorite Wheels by Elizabeth Bedard



Bouncing Wheels by Shelley Stone



Nature's Wheels by Jim Sanderson



Rounding the Corner by Guenter Krueger



Psychedelicized Spoked Wheel by Loye Stone



Ferris Wheel Color by Larry Cusick



Wheels of October by Pat Rhames



Differed Maintenance by Bob Gavette



Big Wheels by Diane Weigandt

## Next Month's theme is Shadows!







### Pictures from the meeting







#### February Program Night—Layers—Masks and Blending

A big thank you to Pat, Jonathan and Jim for presenting on Masks and Blending in February

Please be aware that there will be a video sent out in advance to help members become familiar with the topic being presented.

After program night, there will be notes posted on fresnocameraclub.com (under Program Night tab) to further help with the topic that was discussed.

We hope these help with your understanding of the topic and also help to reinforce what was learned.





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Date	Class Name	Cost	Information
3/21	Hummingbird Safari	\$200	www.amwestphoto.com
3/23	Oso Flaco & Santa Margarita Birds Safari	\$200	www.amwestphoto.com
3/26	Camera Essentials: Creative Controls and Exposure	\$35	www.hornphoto.com
3/29	Yosemite West End: Naturalist Photography Walk	\$129	https://yosemite.org/experience/events/
4/2	Clicking Caravan	Free	www.hornphoto.com
43924	Point Reyes: Photo Retreat	\$450	www.enlightphoto.com
4/3	Southern California Bird Safari	\$200	www.amwestphoto.com
4/21	Butterbredt Springs Bird Safari	\$200	www.amwestphoto.com
4/21	Panasonic Tips and Tricks	\$30	www.hornphoto.com
4/23	DSLR Basics for Nikon & Canon Owners	\$30	www.hornphoto.com
4/26-26	Photographing Point Reyes National Seashore	\$495	www.enlightphoto.com

#### **Photography Classes and Workshops**



## Register to be eligible for the drawing Go to www.hornphoto.com



Horn Photo offers Fresno Camera Club members a 15% discount on film developing and photo printing (not specialty items)



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The completed form below, together with your check/cash will pay your dues for the year 2020.

Dues are paid by Calendar Year

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Art Serabian		AAA		AA	10/10	Α		Α		Α		А
Diane Weigandt	10/10	А	9/9	А	9/10	А	9	А		А		А
Dee Humphrey	9/10	AAA	9/10	AA	10/10	А	9/10	AA	9/9	А	9/9	А
Elizabeth Bedard	10/9	AAA	9/10	Α	10/9	А	8/8	AA	10/10	А	10/10	AA
Jennifer Doerrie		А		А	10/10	AA	8/10	AAA	9/9	AAA		А
Jim Sanderson		А		Α		А		А		AAA		А
John Greening	9/10	AA	9/9	AAA	10/10	AA	10/9	AA	9/10	AA	9/8	AAA
Jonathan Rollins	10/10	А	9/9	Α	9/9	А	8/10	А	9/9	А	9/8	А
Loye Stone	9/10	AA	10/9	AAA	9/10	AAA	10/10	AA	9/9	AA	9/9	AA
Ning Lin		А		Α	10/9	AAA	9/10	AAA	9/9	AAA		А
Pat Rhames	10/10	AAA	10/9	AAA	10/9	AAA	10/10	AAA	9/9	А	10/8	AAA
Robert Boshart		А		А	9/9	AAA		А	9/9	AA		А
Shelley Stone	9/9	А	9/9	А		А		А	10/10	А	10/9	А

CP = Color Prints	P = Pictorial
MP = Monochrome Prints	T = Travel

N = Nature

PJ = Photojournalism

#### New Meeting Place:

Wyndham Garden Hotel Fresno Yosemite Airport 5059 Clinton Way Fresno, CA

Anyone is welcome to participate in council!

#### San Joaquin International Exhibition 2020

Four Sections

PID-C Color Projected Image & PID-M Monochrome Projected Image

Nature & Nature Wildlife

Closing Date: March 21, 2020

Judging Date: March 28 & 29, 2020, judging starts at 9 a.m. each day

Entry Fee \$8 per section

Visit: SJVCCC.org then click on San Joaquin Valley International Exhibition

To enter visit: <u>http://wadesworld.org/exh-entry/san-joaquin/san-joaquin-1.php</u>

This exhibition is done locally so you have the chance to watch the judging. Judging will be held at The Law Office of Jennifer Doerrie, 1690 W Shave Avenue, Suite 106 in Fresno.

Also, because you are a member of the Fresno Camera Club, you are also a member of the San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council. This makes you eligible for the SJVCCC Award of Excellence.

<u>Directions to the Law Offices</u> - The office complex, Channing Court, is on the north side of West Shaw Avenue. 1690 is the back, or northern building in the complex, so 1680 is the building that is more visible from the street. The cross streets on West Shaw are Fruit to the east and West to the West. There is a Denny's Restaurant immediately west of the office, and a hotel that is under construction just behind the Denny's.

The building is a bit confusing in that the ground level is a parking garage. It should be fine to park in the garage on the weekend, as long as people do not park in any disabled parking spaces unless they have valid authorization to do so, and also please don't park in the spots marked "CARD". (The Center for Autism and Related Disorders does work part of the day on Saturdays.) There is also unrestricted guest parking around the perimeter of the building on the north and east sides.

To get to her office, it is necessary to come up either the stairs or the elevator to the first floor. If the door to the elevator from the parking garage gets closed, the code to open it is 531. The office is at the north end (side opposite Shaw Avenue) of the complex. There will be signs to help direct you.

#### **PSA Information**

#### Are You a Member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA)?

#### "ADVANTAGES OF HAVING PSA MEMBERSHIP

PSA has a **Personalized Image Evaluation Service**. This service is especially helpful if the maker wants to have his/her skills evaluated, if the maker would like to know what constitutes an acceptable image in one of the PSA Divisions, or for previewing Images before entering them in club competition or a PSA recognized Exhibition.

PSA also has an **Image Analysis Course**, which is helpful in judging ones own photos or becoming a certified judge.

These are free services offered by PSA to members. Need a Mentor? Go to <u>http://psa-photo/org.php?member-education-</u> <u>mentor-service</u>

#### **PSA Galleries**

PSA has several galleries on this website where members can share their photography with others. PSA Member Galleries - For All PSA Members Each State, Province, or Country may contain individual member galleries that showcase members' work. Individual images and bios in galleries may be updated by members as often as they would like. A list of available galleries is accessed from the left pane of this webpage, grouped according to PSA Member Area. They can also be accessed from a state/province/country and some chapter pages on the site.



Each PSA member can <u>create</u> a

gallery of up to 6 images and a biography with a link to a personal web gallery. **Member galleries stay on the PSA site for as long as a member remains a PSA member in good standing.** 



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#### "Highlights" Submission

Do you have an article you would like published in an issue of "Highlights"? Do you have a suggestion for something you would like to see in "Highlights"? If you do, feel free to contact **Elizabeth Bedard** at elizabeth@bedardcontrols.com.

Submissions for inclusion in the next month's "Highlights" should be received by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the previous month to insure inclusion in the next issue. This includes change of address, etc. All constructive criticism and corrections are welcome

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