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# A Sister's Kiss By Patrick Rhames

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#### **Meetings for September**

#### **Monthly Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on September 18th at University Merced Center, 7 p.m.

—Digital Competition—Enter by the 11th

FCC—Fresno Camera Club SJVCCC—San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

Sept 9th SJVCCC
Sept 11th Digitals Due
Sept 18 FCC Meeting

Don't forget, dinner at the Spaghetti Factory, 1610 E. Shaw Avenue in Fresno before the monthly FCC meeting at 5 p.m. We will be done in time for the meeting.

# **SEPTEMBER 2018**

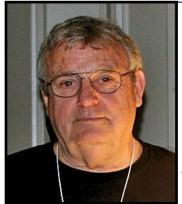
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## **July Scores**

Our July BBQ Meeting was held on July 14th at Hope Lutheran Church. Jim Cunningham was our judge, he judged 53 images and selected "A Sister's Kiss" by Pat Rhames as print of the night.

Patt Anderson			Dee Humphrey			Jim Sanderson		
Red Sky at Night	CP	9	Clouds and Steed	MP	10	Scorched, IBEX Dunes	СР	9
Portrait of Parker	CP	9	A Spring in Yosemite	CP	10	Fishes	CP	9
Charlie - The Great Dane	СР	10	A Clear Day in Monu- ment Valley	СР	10	Rural Armenia	СР	9
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Ray Anderson			<b>Guenter Krueger</b>				М	9
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filling up						Herb Spencer		
			Judy Krueger			Carnival Time	CP	10
Elizabeth Bedard			Skagway Waterfall	CP	9	<b>Evening Reflections</b>	CP	10
Set for Summer	CP	10 2nd	Pink Blossom	CP	10	Prismatic Color	CP	10
Sailing Toward the	СР	9	Bamburg Church On	СР	9			
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Orchard Reflections	CP	10				Vietnam Veterans		
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Colorado Iris	CP	9	Half Dome From Sen-	СР	9	Bird of Paradise	CP	10
Mr. Jay	CP	9	tinal Bridge			Disintegrating Wheel	CP	9
Hole in the Wall	CP	9	Isabel at 16	CP	9	Challe Char		
Jaha Casarfand						Shelley Stone	N 4	
John Crawford	CD	0	Patrick Rhames			On Ton of His Como	M P	10
Stillwater Barn	CP	9	A Sister's Kiss	CP	10 1st	On Top of His Game Colorful Summer Fun	•	9
Sunset at Cayucos	CP	10	Lassie - A Portrait	СР	10 3rd		CP	10
A Face That Makes You Smile	СР	9	Play, Dunes & Sky #1	MP	10		CP	10
			Jonathan Rollins			Dave Youngs		
John Greening			Oregon Coast	MP	10	Iceland Concert Hall	СР	9
Crater Lake Sunset	СР	9	Cattle Round Up	MP	10	Abstract		
Fish Pond Arches	CP	10	Salisbery Cathedral	CP	10	Pipe Organ Abstract 2	CP	10
						Antelope Canyon Transformation	СР	10



A Sister's Kiss

By Patrick Rhames



This image shot locally on the San Joaquin River and SR 41 at the Wildwood Native Park. The date was Nov. 11, 2017 and the

time was 4:46 PM.

Equipment used and settings: Nikon D850, hand held, mounted with a Nikkor 70-200mm, f/2.8, manual exposure, ISO 64, focal length 70mm, focus mode AF-C (autofocus continuous) aperture f/4.5, shutter 1/400, metering center-highlight weighted, Nikon SB-910 Flash set to TTL in a fairly large umbrella, camera left.

This was a quickly evolving session where the two subjects were interacting with each other and following instructions from their mother. I used a speed light in an umbrella (bounce, not shoot through) to get the necessary fill light. I used the TTL function due to the changing poses and focal distances of the fast shooting session.

Major post processing work was dodging the two subjects and burning the background. A considerable amount of cloning and





burning occurred in the upper left corner of the image to eliminate bright sunlight distraction. Processing tools used included Lightroom for basic RAW editing, Photoshop for major editing including heavy reliance on NIK plugin software.

This image has generally been well reviewed by judges with one notable exception. In that case the judge opined that the male subject should be looking at the lens to make eye contact with the viewer. That was not my intent in developing the image. I developed this image (out of a series) because the male was not looking at the photographer and, in my opinion, appeared much more candid and much less



Set for Summer

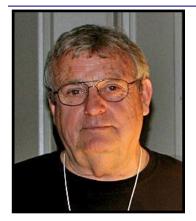
By Elizabeth Bedard





I took this image in Kauai. My husband and I were walking around a little shopping mall, it was dark and I didn't have my camera and we came across these chairs and I told him we must come back. The next day we did go back, Although the chairs were wired together, they were slightly crooked, so we straightened them out and made sure they were even.





Lassie, A Portrait

By Patrick Rhames



This image was shot at the harbor in Charleston, Oregon. The date was October 25, 2017 and the time was 2:08 PM.

Equipment used and settings: Nikon D850, on a tripod, mounted with a Nikkor 24-70mm, f/2.8, manual exposure, ISO400, focal length 27mm, Focus mode manual, aperture f/22, shutter 1/250, metering matrix, white balance Direct Daylight. (At least one of you is wondering why I used an aperture of f/22. I'm not sure, now, and I'm wondering, myself.)



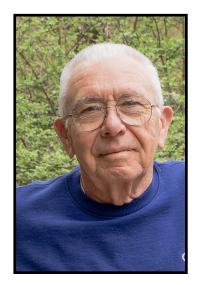
Scouting the fishing fleet in the harbor for interesting subject matter, I found this working but less than pristine ship among the many much more "presentable" ships that make up the vast majority of the fleet. I knew immediately that I had to shoot it. Fortunately, there was some cloud cover and the light was nice, needing no modifiers. Contrary to what I recalled in front of you all at the July meeting, this was a single shot, not a product of HDR processing. (Hey! I'm just a man and an old one, at that).

As above, basic RAW editing was done in Lightroom with the major editing done in PhotoShop with heavy



use of NIK plugins. In particular, I amped up the contrast (using a secret formula) to emphasize the "weathered" appearance of the vessel and get that nice reflective water. It was also printed on metallic paper giving the print added glossiness to emphasize color and detail.

One of several judges that reviewed this image opined that there should have been a person on the vessel to create added interest. I developed this image as a portrait (albeit of an inanimate object) not some sort of Photojournalistic story. Ergo, the title "Lassie, a Portrait". (Geez, I wish they would listen to the titles).



Hummingbird and Petunia, On Target

By Ray Anderson





The photo of the humming bird and petunia was a choreographed shot using a technique I found on YouTube. The technique entices the bird to hone in on a specific flower. This allows for pre-focus and positioning the camera in advance. A little subterfuge (substituting a flower for a feeder) was used but in no way caused the birds any stress. This idea wouldn't be fair to use in a wildlife competition but was fun to play around with. The camera used was a Sony a7rii mounted on a tripod with a 400mm lens. Settings were manual; aperture f/5.6, shutter I/1000, iso 800, a speed light and flash extender were also used.









### Pictures from the BBQ

A big than you to everyone who helped with the BBQ from Cooking, Decorating, Clean up, etc. We couldn't do it without you!











Paul Smiley, Print Chairman Jim Cunningham, Judge John Crawford, Vice President



#### Fresno Fair—2018

As most of you are aware, the Fresno Fair's Exhibition Guidelines have been posted on their website. They are starting an Experienced Photography Category to help make if fair to all who enter in the arts and photography.



Digitals Due

Digital, 3 max

September 11

September 18

#### **EXPERIENCED PHOTOGRAPHY**

A person who engages in an event or activity as a pastime rather than a profession AND ALSO has extended knowledge and skill beyond novice or amateur photography AND OR a person who has place 1st,2nd, 3rd or Best Of Show in the Fresno Fair's Amateur photography division for 2 or more consecutive years.

Limit: 4 Entries per Class per Exhibitor

Entry Fee \$9.00 per Entry (Non-Refundable)

All Fees Due at the Time of Entry Form Submission

Online Entries Due September 10, 2018

All Entries Will Be Accepted Unless Notified

Awards Offered 1st thru 3rd

Honorable Mention

7 p.m.

7 p.m.

Ribbons

#### **2018 Schedule of Competitions and Programs**

October 16	Prints, 3 max	7 p.m.
November 13 November 20	Digitals Due Digitals, 3 max	7 p.m. 7 p.m.
December 8 December 15	Digitals Due for Year End Year End Awards Luncheon	10 a.m.

#### **PSA Information**

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

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PSA has a <u>Personalized Image Evaluation Service</u>. This service is especially helpful if the maker wants to have his/her skills evaluated, if the maker would

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 <u>Image Analysis Course</u>, 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

http://psa-photo/org.php?member-education-mentor-service

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#### **PSA Galleries**

PSA has several galleries on this website where members can share their photography with others.

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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.



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

### Fresno Camera Club Membership for January 1 – December 31, 2018

The completed form below, together with your check/cash, will pay your dues for the year 2016 and/or renew your membership.

Remember Horn Photo gives a 15% discount on developing and printing to members of the FCC.

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

Date	Class Name	Cost	Information
9/11	Nikon Z Launch Party	Free	www.hornphoto.com
9/14	Sequoia Wildlife Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
9/25-29	Colorado Fall Colors Safari	\$1,250	www.amwestphoto.com
10/1-5	Yellowstone/Grand Teatons Fall Safari	\$1,250	www.amwestphoto.com
10/6	Traveling Mirrorles, Capturing Awesomeness	<u>\$50</u>	www.hornphoto.com
10/11	Yosemite Fall Colors Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
10/11	Yosemite Star Fields Safari	\$125	www.amwestphoto.com
10/15-16	2 Day Bobcat Safari	\$500	www.amwestphoto.com
10/18	Mineral King Explore! Safari	\$150	www.amwestphoto.com
10/20	Horn Photo's Clicking Caravan	Free	www.hornphoto.com
10/23	Bobcat Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
10/25	Beginner Photo Walk Cambria	\$90	www.amwestphoto.com
10/28	Camera Essentials, Creative Controls and Exposure	\$35	www.hornphoto.com
10/30-11/2	Zion and Bryce Canyon Fall Safari	\$1,000	www.amwestphoto.com

#### **Local Photo Opportunities**



Saturday, September 15, 2018
Kearney Park
Gates open at 9 am
\$15 admission
http://fresnoscottishsociety.org/



Saturday, Oct. 27th 8am-5pm & Sunday, Oct. 28th 8am-5pm

Hot Air Balloons at the Clovis Rodeo Grounds

https://clovischamber.com/events/clovis\_fest/



# San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council - SJVCCC

CP = Color Prints
MP = Monochrome
Prints
P = Pictorial
T = Travel
N = Nature
PJ = Photojournalism

FCC Member	СР	Class	MP	Class	Р	Class	Т	Class	N	Class	PJ	Class
Anna Hadfield						Α		Α		Α		AAA
Art Serabian	10/9	AA	9/9	AAA	10/10	Α						
Craig Hadfield						Α				Α		AAA
Dee Humphrey	10/10	AA	9/9	AAA	9/9	AA	9/10	Α	9/9	AA	9/10	AA
Elizabeth Bedard	9/9	AA	9/9	AA	9/9	Α	9/9	AAA	9/9	AA	10/9	AA
Jennifer Doerrie					10/10	AA	9/10	AAA	10/10	AA		
John Greening	9/9	AA	9/9	AA		AA		AAA		AA		AAA
Jonathan Rollins	10/10	Α	9/10	Α	9/10	Α	9/9	Α	10/10	Α	9/10	Α
Loye Stone	9/10	AA	10/10	AAA	9/10	AA	9/10	AA	10/10	AAA	10/9	AA
Pat Rhames	10/10	AAA	10/10	AAA	10/9	Α	9/10	AAA	8/10	AAA	10/10	AAA
Robert Boshart					9/10	Α			9/9	Α		
Shelley Stone	9/9	AA	9/10	AA	9/10	AA	9/9	AA	10/9	AA	10/9	Α

Next meeting: Sunday, September 9th at 10 am at the Ramada at Shaw and 41

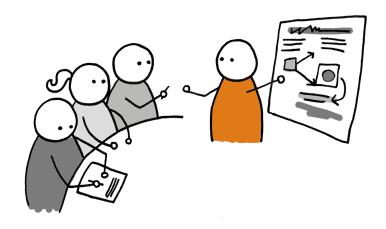
September is our presentation month, here are some of the topics:

Doug Ridgeway—Tips on Landscape Photography

Loye Stone—Intro to Proshow Gold

Also programs by Sam Shaw and Craig Hadfield.

Programs are free, lunch will be the usual price at the Ramada



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Check out <a href="www.fresnocameraclub.org">www.fresnocameraclub.org</a> Email Elizabeth if you have any articles for the Fresno Camera Club website.

**Craig J. Hadfield** is webmaster of <a href="www.sjvccc.org">www.sjvccc.org</a>. and he would like to have your interesting articles to post on the website, email him at bcard@bobsbunker.net.

#### "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.

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