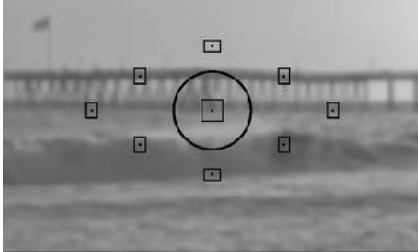


Through the Viewfinder



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October 2023

For **October** judging at our upcoming meeting on **Wednesday 11th**, you should forward your images to *Susannah* at our original submission address ... myvcimages@gmail.com by 8pm Sunday 8th (not Monday!) before the meeting.

The October 11th meeting, and the rest of the year, will only be online, using Gotomeeting, as shown in the below schedule.

Our judge for September was **Chris Broughton**. Chris was the faculty Department Head for Street Photography at the world famous Brooks Institute of Photography, and he led many semesters of students doing street photography for many years in Paris. He is considered a recognized standard in performing and evaluating Street Photography. Chris is a world class find for our club in evaluating each members contributions for critique, street photography, and other photography. We could tell from his verbal critiques that he knew the subject of critical fine art photography very well and applied it to our images.

Our new judge for October is **Dana Rene White**. She received her 4 year Degree in Photojournalism from Cal State Northridge, then was a professional staff photographer for the LA times for 3 years, then a professional staff photographer for the Ventura County Star for 8 years. She was a lead photographer for 8 years with Hartcon Studios, then a free lance photographer for 10 years, then a chief photographer professor for the Catholic University of America. Now, she is a lead Department of Defense photographer and editor for the US Navy at Port Hueneme. Since our Club President Bill works at Port Hueneme, now you know how he found her earlier this year and talked her into being our professional judge for the night! Everyone please welcome her as a first time judge of our submitted images!

Our assignment, B&W Street Portrait photographs, is a relatively limited and specific type of image. Needless to say, color images of the same genre (portrait on a street) converted to B&W, meets the assignment!



Membership Annual Payment Info:

Partial annual payments will be pro-rated on a month to month basis to the end of the year only for new members joining for the first time. All existing members are expected to forward the full annual membership fee to Joyce each year in January.

Joyce Schoppe,

Ventura County Camera Club, Inc.

4875 Mascagni St, Ventura, CA 93003

If necessary, contact Joyce at: jbschoppe@sbcglobal.net

[Only Club Members may submit images for critique by our expert judges.](#)

Member's Digital image entries must be sent to: myvcimages@gmail.com by 8 pm on **Sunday** before the Wednesday night meeting. Files must use the naming format:

TITLE_photog name_date10-23_Assigned/ or Open.jpg

Notice the TITLE is in full caps.

Images should not exceed the **vertical size of 1080 pixels**. Or the **horizontal size of 1920 pixels**, *this is the international standard for full HD images*

Last but not Least!: Call for Digital Image Collection and Projectionist

For many years (too many to count!) Susannah has been collecting the digital images for submission to the judges for monthly club critique, and then hosting the online meetings as the Gotomeeting host projectionist to show the images to the club members at club meetings. At our last meeting at the Palms, she announced she would no longer be doing it for next year starting in 2024. So, we need a new volunteer to do it starting in 2024.

This is your chance to get involved in doing monthly club events, especially related to digital image collection and showing. You will get to see the inside events in putting the images out to the membership.

Please let us know (especially Prez Bill Horstick) if you are interested in assuming this job for the club in 2024. You will need a decent online digital speed connection. Internet download speeds as slow as 6mbps is just good enough, anything more than that is great. The Club will pay for you to have a subscription to GoToMeeting as a paid host and presenter. Needless to say, this is a critical job to continue our future club meetings.....



2023 VCCC Schedule

Location, Assigned Topics, & Scheduled Judges:

January 11:	Go To Only	"Winter"	Stephanie Hogue http://www.stephaniehogue.com
February 8:	Palms+GoTo	"Silence"	Chris Broughton https://www.christopherbroughton.com /Club Officials ... due to last minute judge work changes
March 8:	Palms+GoTo	"That Ah-Ha Moment"	Pete Scifres https://psa-photo.org/index.php?peter-scifres-0218
April 12:	Go To Only	"On the Edge"	Carl Volpe https://www.carlvolpephoto.com
May 10:	Palms+GoTo	"Dramatic Moment"	Hutch Hutchison
June 14:	Palms+GoTo	"Complementary Colors"	Chris Zsarnay http://www.zstudios.com
July 12:	Palms+GoTo	"Landscapes/Seascapes"	Dan Holmes https://www.danholmesphoto.com
August 9	Palms+GoTo	"Wide Angle"	Cynthia Bullard cynthiabullardphotography.com
Sept 13	Go To Only	"I Found this at the Beach"	Chris Broughton https://www.christopherbroughton.com
October 11:	Go To Only	"B&W Street Portrait"	Dana Rene White (photoshelter.com)
November 8:	Go To Only	"Doorways"	Greg Cooper http://www.mediacooper.com
December 2023:	<i>Year End Competition</i>		Various Expert Professional Judges

No meeting in December, we conduct the *Year End Competition* of all Merits awarded during the calendar year. *All Digital Merits are automatically entered, so you do not have to do anything if you received a Digital Merit!*



Club Merit Awards

Results of September 2023 Meeting - Critique & Judging

Judge: Chris Broughton

Digital: (28)

Assigned: (21)

"Abandoned Vessel" by JP Watson
"All of a Mind" by Janice Lindsay
"Beach Pebbles" by Albert Huen
"Cash on the Beach" by Bill Horstick
"Driftwood Dragon" by Bill Horstick
"Earth, Sea, Sky" by Steve Light
"Getting a Tan" by Alex Andrews
"Hello" by Alex Andrews
"Hurry" by Albert Huen
"Lifeguard Shack" by Ken MacGregor
"Malibu Border" by Susannah Kramer
"Rocks on the Beach" by Ken MacGregor
"Royal Terns" by Bruce Schoppe
"Silence Surveyance" by Janice Lindsay
"Simeon- Ladies" by Ron Lindsay
"Snowy Egrets" by Bruce Schoppe
"Sunflower in the Surf" by Bill Horstick
"Sunset" by John Ferritto
"The Wreck of the Peter Iredale" by Susannah Kramer
"Velella Velella" by JP Watson
"Where's Mommy" by Susannah Kramer

Open: (7)

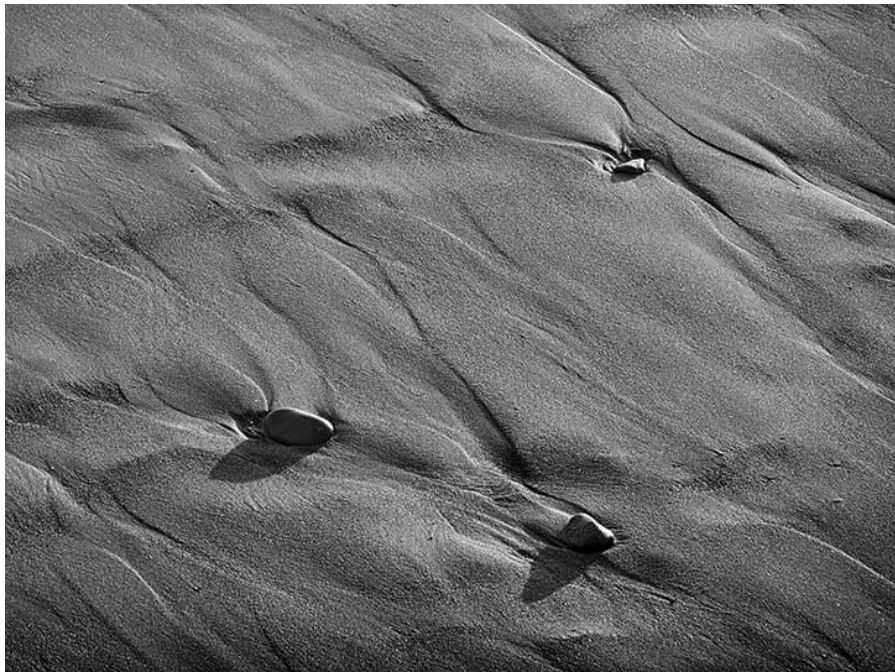
"Church at Budir" by Chuck Zamities
"Evening Light at Vestrahorn" by Chuck Zamities
"Outpost Rainbow" by JP Watson
"Pirate Art" by John Ferritto
"Pond at Hvalnes Iceland" by Chuck Zamities
"Rider" by John Ferritto
"Sunlight and Shadow" by Janice Lindsay



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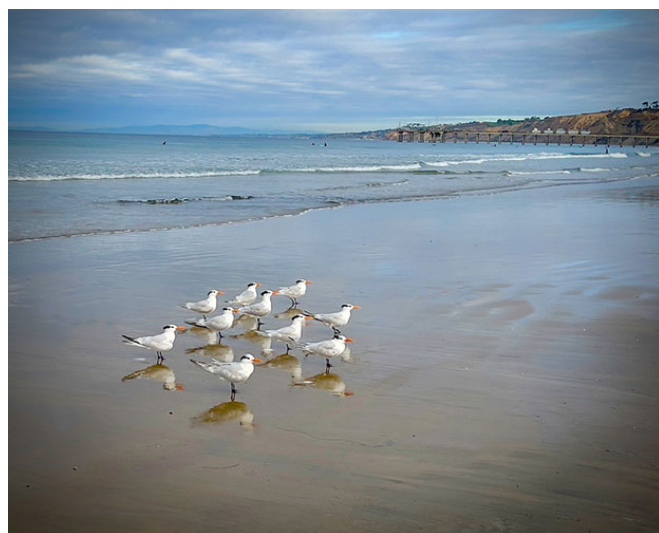
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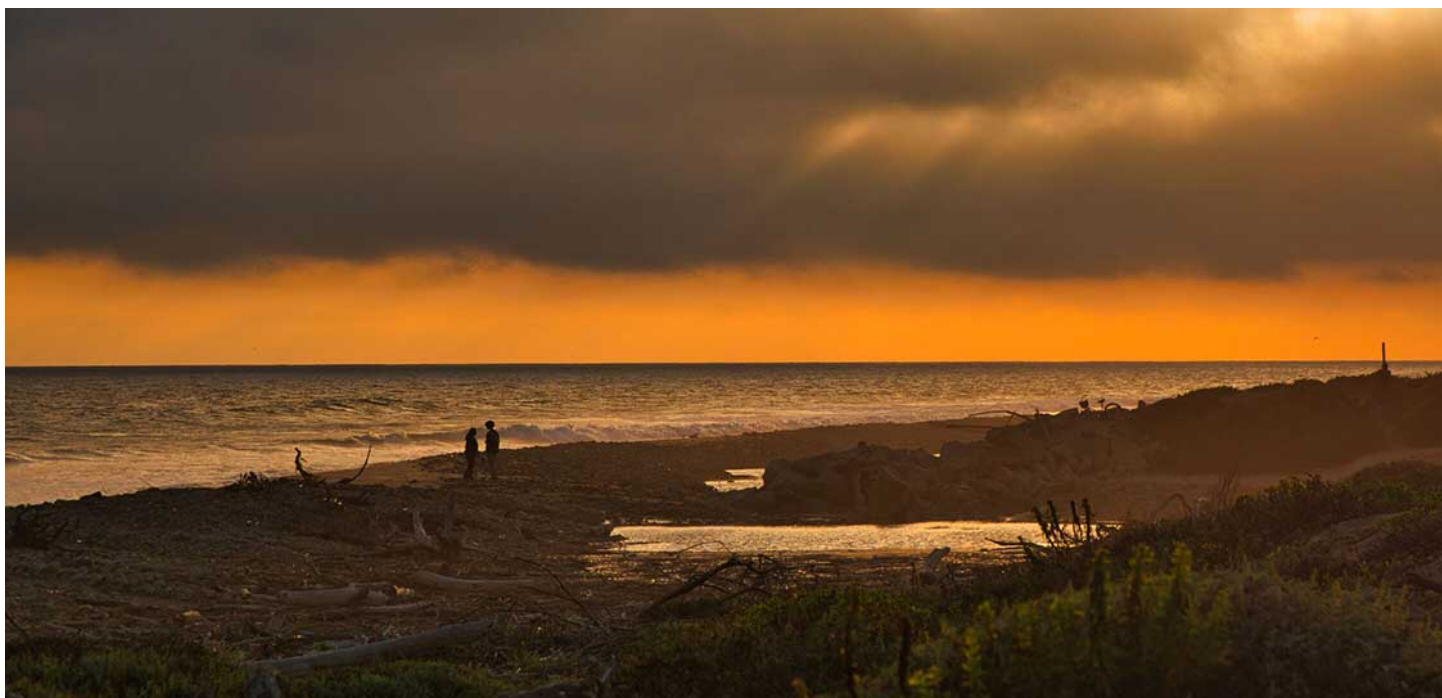
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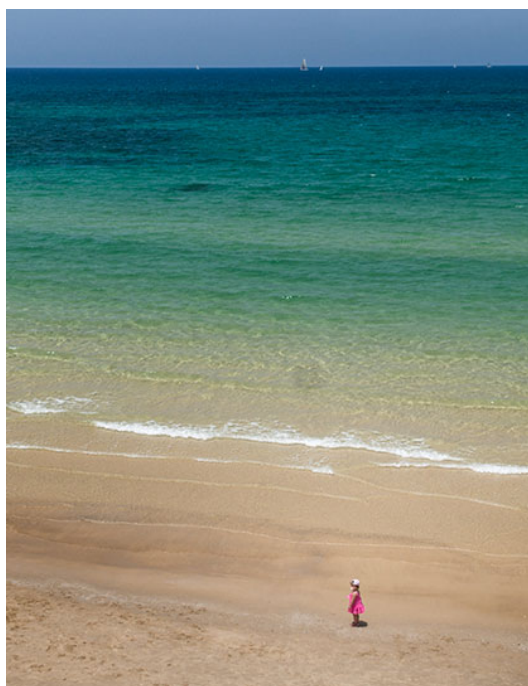
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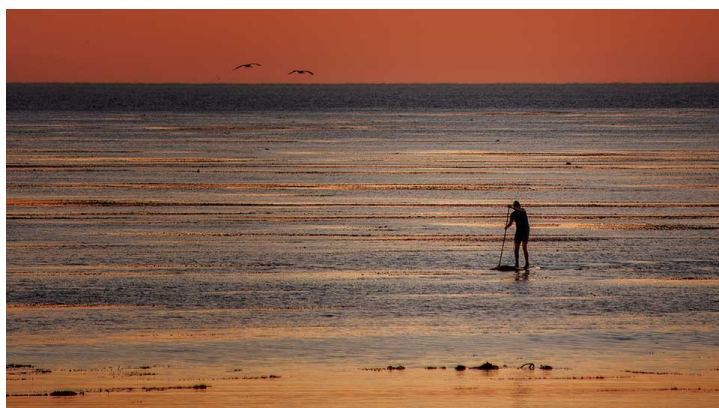
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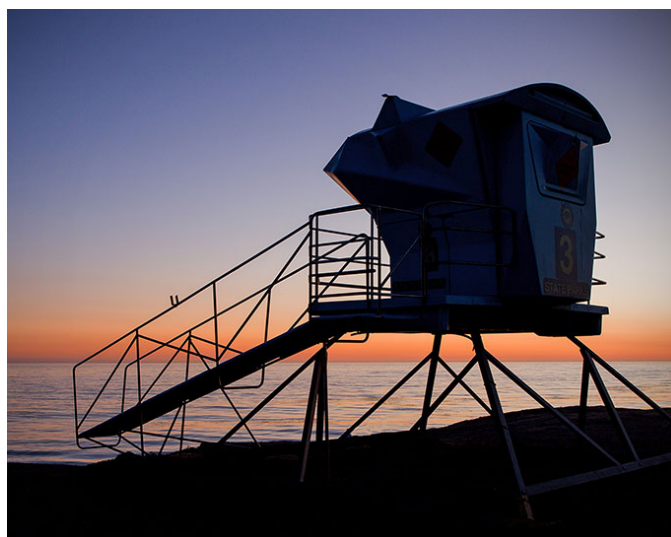
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Professional & Expert Support

Below are some of the distinguished local expert photographers that have been gracious in providing their free time as judges, on a repeating basis, to attend and critique member's images at our recent Club meetings.

Thank you all for supporting our Club!

Dan Holmes (Award Winning Ventura Landscape Photography, Workshops, Tours, and Photo Adventures, past President of CI Professional Photographers Association):

<http://www.danholmesphoto.com/Danholmesphoto.com/Workshops.html>

Donna Granata (Founder of "Focus on the Masters", ex-Brooks Institute Faculty)

www.focusonthemasters.com/Donna_Granata.html

Christopher Broughton (ex-Brooks Institute Faculty Instructor - Street Photography - and current Ventura College Photography Instructor) <https://www.christopherbroughton.com/>

Gary Moss Photography (Principal Photographer and Photo Editor of 805 Living Magazine)

<http://www.garymossphotography.com>

Chris Zsarnay (Photographer in Ventura 33 years - local successful commercial studio - Brooks Institute Grad)

<http://www.zstudios.com> choose Portfolios then Food, Product, etc. (805) 644-5554

Greg Cooper (ex-Ventura College Instructor & ex-Brooks Institute Faculty Instructor of Photojournalism)

<http://www.mediacooper.com>

Pete Scifres (Published PSA Photographer - Night Astrophotography Specialist)

<https://psa-photo.org/index.php?peter-scifres-0218>

Scott Miles "The Scientific Photographer" ex - Brooks Institute Faculty Instructor

<https://thescientificphotographer.com>

Hutch Hutchison (Photographic Society of America POC and Judge)

<https://psa-photo.org/index.php?geo-hutchison-0717#ad-image-0>

Carl Volpe (Ventura County Artist - Fine Art Photography)

<https://www.carlvolpephoto.com>

John Grusd (Hollywood Animation Producer/ Director and Highly Awarded Still Photographer)

<https://www.johngrusdphoto.com/about/>

Cynthia Bullard (Portrait Photographer and Commercial Studio Facility Owner in Ventura)

<https://www.cynthiabullardphotography.com>



Ventura County Camera Club:

Our Mission: To promote the art, science, technique, and enjoyment of fine art photography through sharing, education, cooperation, association, and fellowship.

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WebMaster: captain119@gmail.com

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myvcimages@gmail.com



2023 Club Officials

President:

Bill Horstick

Vice President

Janice Lindsay

Treasurer:

Bruce Schoppe

Secretary:

Evan Maidaa

Committee Chairs:

Judge Coordinator:

Bill Horstick

Membership Chair:

Joyce Schoppe

Web Site Master and Facebook Administrator:

Evan Maidaa

Newsletter Editor:

Ken MacGregor

Monthly Digital Image Entries and Projection:

Susannah Kramer

Evan Maidaa (backup)

Albert Huen (backup)

Publicity, Year End Tech, and Room Setup: John Ferritto