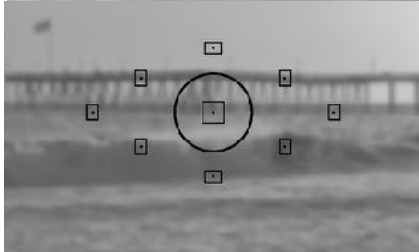


Through the Viewfinder



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Many thanks go to [Hutch Hutchison](#) for supporting our May meeting. Hutch is a very experienced PSA Judge, having judged hundreds of SoCal plus international club events over the years. He provided valuable detailed advice about composition, image impact, and especially his main interest... how to photograph air shows! The air show "challenge" is to show the blur of the propellers using a slow enough shutter speed while also keeping the body of the aircraft in sharp focus. Believe me, it takes lots of practice!

Wings Over Camarillo... on August 19 & 20. You can buy tickets online and skip the line at the gate. Bring a long lens like a 200mm, or much better, a 400mm if you have it. The sound of "thundering" WW2 aircraft engines is unmistakable and this airshow has it in spades.

Our scheduled judge for **June** is professional photographer [Chris Zsarnay](#). Our Assigned Subject is "Complementary Colors". If you don't know what that is, then *Google it!* Chris is a very experienced Brooks graduate professional photographer in Ventura County, and for 3 decades he continues to operate a pro studio (Z Studios) that specializes in Commercial Product photography. One of Chris's favorite stories is how he was the first Pro in Ventura to switch from film to digital. His first digital camera was about 1 megapixel, and cost him thousands of \$!

If you have not yet visited the Palms for our In-person Club meetings, then why not? The [movie screening room](#) accommodations are luxurious.

The turnout for the club get together at the Santa Paula Airport Open House was light, but those that did attend had a very lovely breakfast at the popular "Flight 126 Cafe".

There is a significant change for submitting image files for our June meeting. Email them to alberthuen@yahoo.com by 8pm **Sunday** (not Monday!). The extra day gives Albert more time to take over from Susannah the building of the projection files.



Please Join Our Next VCCC Meeting:

June 14th, Wednesday, @ 6:30pm in the “Movie Screening Room”, Regency Palms, 1020 Bismark Way, Oxnard. Gather at **6:15** in the front entrance or the back alley parking lot, use front electric door for quick entry and seating. From back alley, call the front desk at **(805) 247-0227** to request back door entry assistance.

This facility is only about a year old, very modern, and very nice! The new “Movie Screening Room” is equipped with the latest high end audio/video equipment, including a ceiling mounted Epson 4K projector and a premium permanent wall mounted silver movie theater screen. The padded seats are big and comfortable with armrests and writing tables. The room has heating and air conditioning.

Try not to arrive inside the facility lobby before 6:15. The facility has wifi so we will also use Gotomeeting.com app for those that cannot attend in person. The cost to the Club is less than what we were paying for our old room at the Poinsettia. I suggest you use GPS to drive to [Bismark Way](#). Since driving I have missed the turn from Channel Islands Blvd twice to Concord Dr even using GPS, I recommend you turn onto [Albany Dr](#), its easy to see. Curb spaces are often available in front of the building. There are also plenty of empty parking spaces in the new paved alley *behind* the building, you can park in ones marked “Regency Palms Parking Only”. Do not park in stalls marked “Residents Only”.



Membership Annual Payment Info: If you have not already done-so, please mail **\$50 for 2023** to Joyce at the below address, or bring your check to the meeting. Partial annual payments will be pro-rated...

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 entries must be sent to: alberthuen@yahoo.com by **8 pm** on **Sunday** before the Wednesday night meeting. Files must use the naming format:

TITLE_photog name_date03-23_Assigned/Open.jpg

Images should not exceed the vertical size of **1080 pixels**. That is the standard for full HD images.



2023 VCCC Schedule

Location, Assigned Topics, & Scheduled Judges:

January 11:	Virtual Go To “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:	Virtual Go To “On the Edge”	Carl Volpe https://www.carlvolpephoto.com
May 10:	Palms+GoTo “Dramatic Moment”	Hutch Hutchison https://www.digitaldaydreaming.com
June 14:	Palms+GoTo “Complementary Colors”	Chris Zsarnay http://www.zstudios.com
July 12:	Palms+GoTo “Landscapes”	Dan Holmes https://www.danholmesphoto.com
August 8:	Palms+GoTo “Wide Angle”	Cynthia Bullard cynthiabullardphotography.com
September 13:	TBD “I Found This at the Beach”	Chris Broughton https://www.christopherbroughton.com
October 11:	Virtual Go To “B&W Abstract”	TBD
November 8:	Virtual Go To “Street Portraits”	Greg Cooper http://www.mediacooper.com
December 2023:	Year End Competition	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!*

Front Street View

“Regency Palms”

Back Alley View (Parking & Gate)



Club Merit Awards

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Judge: Hutch Hutchison

Digital:

Assigned: (9) "Dramatic Moment"

"Acrobat" by Steve Light
"Focus Here" by Chris Sucameli
"Here It Comes" by JP Watson
"No Touch" by Steve Ginn
"Should I Stay or Should I Go" by Steve Ginn
"Spark Buzz Electric" by Ken MacGregor
"Street Riders Rule" by Alex Andrews
"Sunset Over the Palouse" by Susannah Kramer
"The Dance" by JP Watson

Open: (11)

"A Snails World" by Janice Lindsay
"Agave" by Susannah Kramer
"Evening Color at Kirkjufell" by Chuck Zamites
"How Many Avocets" by Bruce Schoppe
"Koi Art" by Bill Horstick
"Lotusland" by Bruce Schoppe
"Mona Lisa Abstract" by Bill Horstick
"Morning at Ediza Lake" by Chuck Zamites
"Scene at Toroweap" by Chuck Zamites
"Sounds of Silence" by Albert Huen
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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):

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

Robert Fields (Fine Art Travel Photography - MS Degree Brooks Institute)

<http://www.robertfields.com>

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 World Traveling 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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Membership: jbschoppe@sbcglobal.net

WebMaster: captain119@gmail.com

Image Submissions (**members only!**):

myvcimages@gmail.com normally

alberthuen@yahoo.com for June meeting!



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