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The Santa Maria Camera Club Newsletter October 2024

President's Message

Hope you all will be able to make our meeting on October 2 when we have the special presentation: "Three Photographers: Three Visions." Chuck Uebele, Jim McKinnis, and I will be presenting our photography. Thanks to Heidi Gruetzemacher for setting this up. She even got news coverage for us, including Santa Maria Sun, who will be there for the presentation!

Invite a friend and be sure to RSVP so we can make this an extra special night. And come at 6:30 PM for a reception before the presentation.

Jeanne



SMCC Program Meeting
October 2, 2024

Santa Maria Camera Club Presents

Three Photographers - Three Visions

Join Us on Wednesday October 2, 2024 6:30 - 8:30



Spoonbills Landing by Jeanne Sparks



Cutting Through The Grunge
by Chuck Uebele



M&E Discount Center by Jim McKinniss

Jeanne Sparks loves to photograph birds, from hummingbirds to roseate spoonbills to great blue herons. Her passion for birds began as a child in Florida and expanded with her travels to Central and South America where she was amazed by the huge flocks of birds she saw. Later she realized California, and even Santa Barbara County, has an abundance of bird life. Sparks' images have won awards from local and national photography associations. She will be presenting a collection of her bird images. Sparks is the president of the Santa Maria Camera Club, a co-executive director of a local nonprofit and is known for her columns and photographs that were published in a local newspaper for many years.

Find her at www.facebook.com/JeanneSparksPhoto and www.facebook.com/wheressparkie

Chuck Uebele is a retired aerospace photographer. He is an Adobe Community Expert assisting others in Photoshop and other Adobe products. The work of Edward Weston got Chuck interested in large format photography. Jerry Uelsmann's work inspired his exploration of compositing images in the darkroom, leading to his expert knowledge in digital compositing. Uebele will show a variety of works including large format photography, digital compositing and other interests such as kayaking, launch and infrared photography. Additionally, he will show images created with Photoshop's Extendedscript and Deco Script.

Jim McKinniss is a retired educator from the University of CA. After retiring he attended Otis College of Art and Design in Los Angeles. McKinniss has an eclectic interest in making photographs and has multiple bodies of work. Those include Equine which studies horses, Ten Years in Venice, Home, and Man in Black. Jim's work has been published numerous times in on-line publications and in print including SHOTS Magazine, Photographs that inspire, and Black&White Magazine. His work has appeared in galleries across the country including the San Diego Art Institute, the Hide Gallery-Fremont, CA, the Carol Watson Gallery-TX, Griffin Museum - MA, SE Center for Photography-SC, Collector Works and Duncan Miller Gallery-Santa Monica, CA, and the Vermont Photoplace Gallery. Author of six photobooks and contributor to two others, McKinniss will be showing street photographs from Milan, Los Angeles, Hollywood, Paris and Venice, Italy. All images were made between 2012 and 2018. Much of Jim's work has been influenced by Robert Frank and Gary Winogrand.

jimmckinniss.photography.com

Reception 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Program Begins at 7:00 p.m.

Seating is Limited

To Attend Please RSVP to santamariacameraclub@gmail.com

SMCC Field Trips for October 2024 and Beyond by Penni Powell

We will have a field trip in the latter half of October, so I will send an email about it to the membership. If you have an idea to share with others, please send out your own email via SMCC.

SEPTEMBER COMPETITION RESULT

Judge: **Lloyd Moriarity**

Digital Monochrome

1ST PLACE	Another winter to go through	Elaine Calvert
2ND PLACE	Hole-y hail	Cheryl Decker
3RD PLACE	Grounded	Gregory Doudna
HONORABLE MENTION	Emerging from the fog	Ron Calvert

Digital color

1ST PLACE	The rock under siege	Gregory Doudna
2ND PLACE	Headwaters of a flash flood	Ed E Powell
3RD PLACE	Monsoon at sunset	Cheryl Decker
HONORABLE MENTION	Under the rainbow	Gregory Doudna

Congratulation to everyone



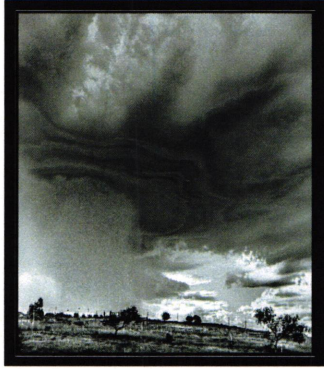
By Gregory Doudna



By Elaine Calvert



By Ed E Powell



By Cheryl Decker



By Cheryl Decker



By Gregory Doudna



By Gregory Doudna



By Ron Calvert

USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLUB

Meetings	In October there will be a program meeting (October 2) and the competition meeting (October 16)
Location	In October, the first meeting will be held at Merrill Garden Retirements Center at 1350 N. Suey Road, Santa Maria. The second meeting will be via Webex. If you want to participate, <i>please send an email to santamariacameraclub@gmail.com</i>
Membership dues	\$ 35 per person; \$ 50 Family; \$ 30 to participate in the competition meeting. All the due are per year
2024 Club officers	President: Jeanne Sparks Vice President: Elaine Calvert Secretary: Frank Tromp Treasurer: Alan Upshaw
At-large Board Members	Nyla James, Harold Litwiler, Jim McKinniss, Flavio Parigi, Penni Powell, Diane Thomsen
2024 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	Cheryl Decker
2024 Special Subjects	March – Patterns in nature June – Abstractions September – Weather
Submit your images for digital competition to:	All the digital images can only be submitted by email at this email address santamariacameraclub@gmail.com All the digital images MUST be received no later than the Sunday prior to the Wednesday competition. Images not received on 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
Slide Projectionist	Ed E. Powel
SMCC Directory & Calendar	Rosie Brancacio
Historian	Nyla James
Judge Recruitment	Harold Litwiler
Saturday Chat	Jim McKinniss
Point Tabulator	Richard Russ & Flavio Parigi
Print Coordinators	Flavio Parigi & Jim Snodgrass
Slide Coordinator	Elaine Calvert
Image scoring	Elaine Calvert, Ramona Cashmore, Penni Powell
Program Recruitment	Elaine Calvert
Refreshment	Everyone
PSA Representative	Nyla Janes
Library Coordinator	Ed E Powell
Meeting room setup	Everyone
Membership recruitment	Richard Russ
Field trips	Penni Powell, Bob Mihelic, Rosie Brancacio, Bonnie Adams, Alan Upshaw, Greg Doudna
Name Tags	Nyla James

- "A good snapshot keeps a moment from running away"
— Eudora Welty