



PHOTOGRAM

Monthly Newsletter of the Redlands Camera Club

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2024



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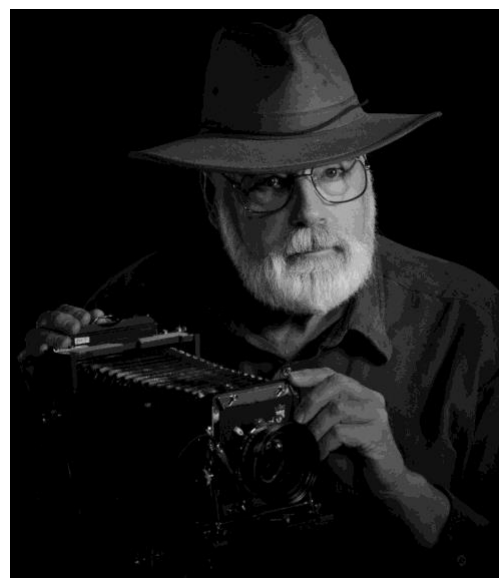
Message from the President

It was with a sad heart that we reported Frank Peele, long time member and champion of the Redlands Camera Club passed this past Wednesday. He was at peace and he was surrounded by family.

Frank Peele was a knowledgeable, dependable, yet humble mentor, instructor, colleague, peer, and friend to many of us. For those that knew him, we all have a story of how Frank encouraged us on our photography journey.

Do you have a memory or photo of Frank that you would like to share?

The Redlands Camera Club will dedicate the August *Photogram* to Frank and the impact he had on so many. We are also planning a tribute to Frank at our August 19 meeting. It will be an in-person meeting with the opportunity for people to join in by Zoom.



Celebration of Life – San Diego

Date: Friday, July 5, 2024

Time: viewing is from 2 to 4 pm, and service begins at 4 pm.

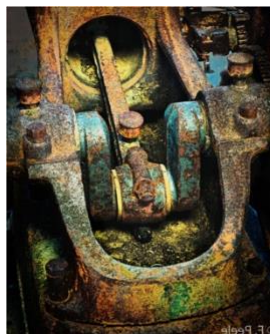
Venue: El Cajon Mortuary 684 S Mollison Ave., El Cajon, CA 92020

The family would ask that you or your organization donate in memory of Frank in lieu of sending flowers and gifts. [Click Here](#) for additional information, and to submit your memories to the RCC.

Rona Herwig

Learn, Shoot, Edit, Share.

I can't wait to see your photos!!





UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Russ Trozera - Vice President/Programs

Introduction to Invertebrate Photography

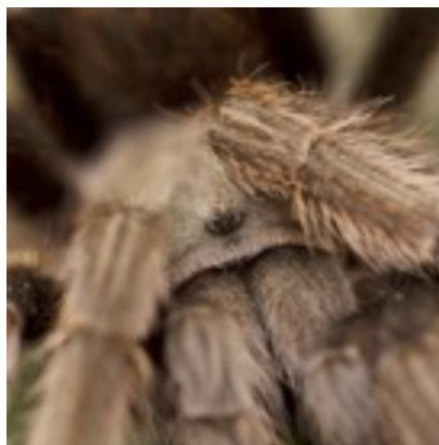
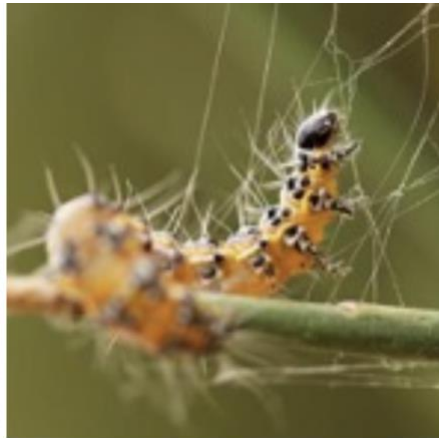
Monday, July 1 @ 7pm

In person & Zoom Meeting – Rachel Landis

In this workshop, participants will learn the approach, techniques, and equipment necessary to photograph invertebrates skillfully, as well as the habits and basic biology of each species. After all, one can only photograph as well as one understands the subject. Bring your camera, lenses, and tripods, as there will be an opportunity to photograph some specimens in a hands-on setting. As our subjects will be on the smaller side, we will learn how to best utilize photographic equipment for macro shots.

If you have telephoto, macro lenses or extension tubes, please bring them.

We will zoom the Summer Contest winners and the into talk by Rachel Landis. Once we start photographing, we will stop the Zoom meeting.





Using Plugins to Improve the Quality of Your Images

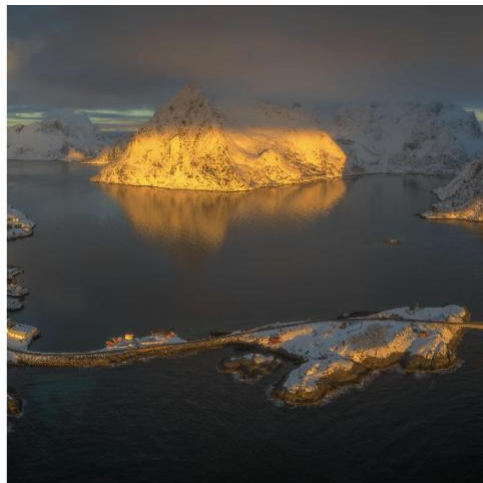
Monday, July 15 @ 7pm

Zoom Meeting – Nic Stove

Join professional nature photographer Nic Stover to talk about ways we can improve the quality of our images using plugins. Plugins are software programs designed to supplement the capabilities of our editing software and can often do a better job improving your images than Lightroom or Photoshop alone.

This presentation is about two software programs can increase the sharpness of your images, and enable you to print with more detail. The first is the Topaz Labs collection. It does not replace parts of your image with scenes that do not exist but instead reduce noise, sharpen, and help you scale your images to larger sizes. Nic will demonstrate DeNoise AI, Sharpen AI, and GigaPixel AI.

Nic will also demonstrate the two plugins created by NIK from DxO: Color Efex and Nik Silver Efex for Black & White Photography. These work in BOTH Lightroom and Photoshop, but they also work as stand-alone programs.





MISSION SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO FIELD TRIP

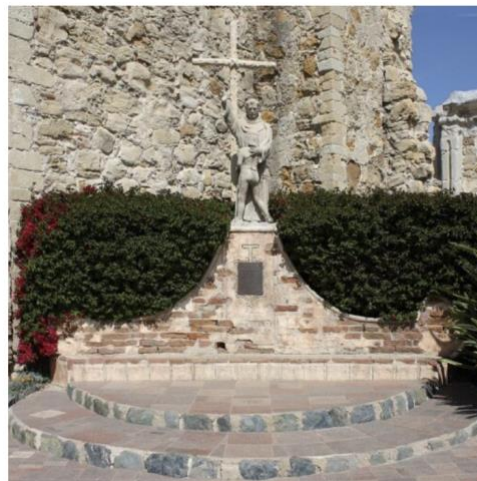
Brian Spears - Field Trips

Saturday, July 20 @ 10 pm

Mission San Juan Capistrano is a historic landmark in California, founded over 200 years ago. It's known for its chapel, multicultural heritage, and annual migration of swallows. Originally a self-sufficient community, it served as a center for agriculture, education, and religion.

- We will meet at the Mission San Juan Capistrano on Saturday, July 20 @ 10 am. 26801 Old Mission Road, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675.
- You are free to use a car or train as it's up to you, so please plan accordingly
- After we photograph the mission, we will meet for lunch. After that, feel free to continue to explore the area or head home.

[CLICK HERE](#) to RSVP





BIG BEAR STAR TRAILS FIELD TRIP



Star Trails by Jason Baird



13 of us setting up at Boulder Bay to shot the stars!



EDUCATION UPDATE

Dave Ficke – Education Chair



Redlands Camera Club is dedicated to helping everyone strive to be a better photographer. We are offering a ***Sports Photojournalism*** class in August for those who strive to take better sports images that tell a story and have high impact.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and register.



For other topics such as portrait, still life, architecture, flower photography or any of several topics, reach out to me and suggest a topic. We will do our best to make it happen.

On the other hand, if there is one of our members that is interested in covering a topic that you are fond of, let me know and let's discuss the possibilities.



CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Stephanie Billings - Membership Chair

The Redlands Camera Club (RCC) offers a variety of activities for those passionate about photography whether a beginner or a seasoned veteran. Our mission is to aide photographers of all levels in developing their skills through membership critiques of their work, exposure to the work of others and educational opportunities via our guest speakers, and field trips.

I want to thank everyone who has paid their membership dues for our new fiscal year, which began on April 1st. If you have not already paid, IT IS NOW \$45. Please take a minute and renew your membership. If you would rather pay at the monthly meeting, please bring a completed renewal/new member form (found online) and your payment. It's just that easy!

Let's all welcome our newest member **Michael Waddington**



COMPETITION UPDATE

Carl Detrow - Competition Chair

The Awards for the Summer 2024 competition will be announced and ribbons presented at the Monday, July 1 in-person meeting. This competition featured a lot of fine images, and the range for the Best of Show ribbon was extremely tight. Congratulations to all who entered.

By the Winter competition We hope to transfer to a new organization system from Printcompetition.com. It will enable us to provide much higher definition images than Zoom to our judges and an improved scoring system. Right now, it looks like entrants will need to pay a nominal annual fee to use the system (Last we heard, \$14} and a premium membership will be available with more access to historical and other data. We will still have to collect \$10 to cover our costs and club membership will still be required. We will try to have a dry run during the next few months to build our procedures. We as a club will not have to pay for the service, other than the annual fee collected from each entrant. You may be able to use your entry fee to cover the cost of entering competitions with other clubs that use the system.

Once again, I thank you for participating in the current competition. *I promise that there will be no bad jokes or mention of politics during the presentation of awards.*



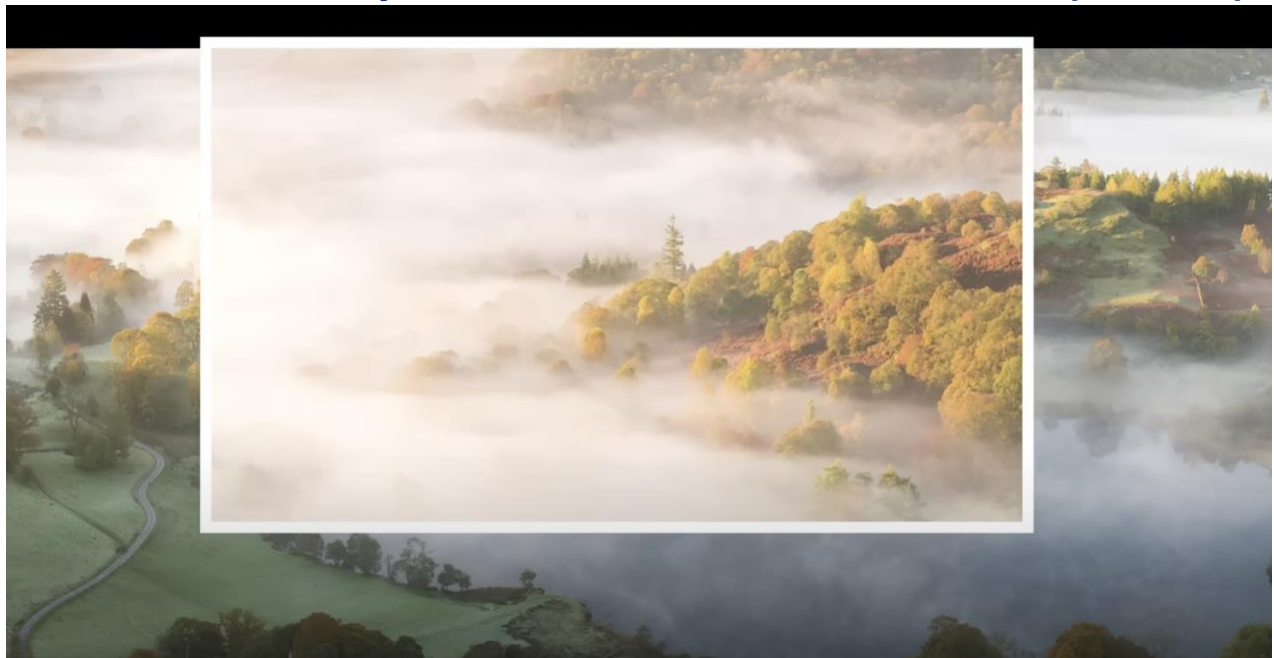
EDITING TIPS OF THE MONTH

90% of Photo Editing Basics in Just 15 Minutes



[Click Here](#) To Watch (15 min)

The EASIEST way to SHOOT and STITCH PANOS (16 min)



[Click Here](#) To Watch (14 min)

Have a Lightroom or Photoshop video you would recommend?
Let us know! Email bruceherwig@gmail.com

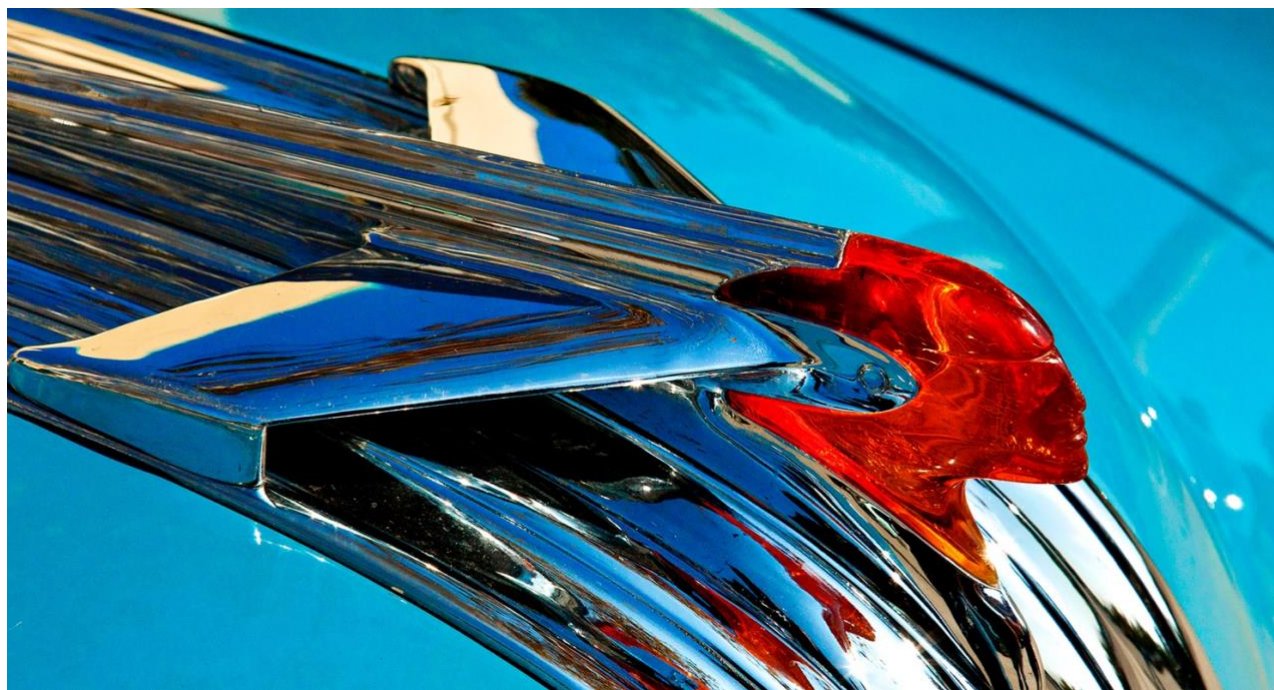


PHOTOGRAM CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH

"RED WHITE AND BLUE"



America's Pastime by Tracy Reyes



Pontiac by Michael Graves



Stars & Stripes Forever by Michael Graves



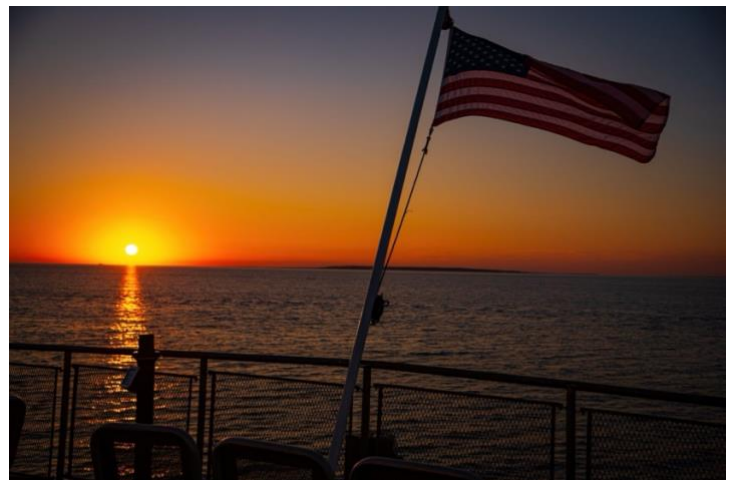
Dawns Early Light
November 10, 2021 by Russell Trozera



By Judith Sparhawk



Coasting up Palouse Hwy by Stephanie Billings



American Flag Over the Bay
by Thomas Powers

PHOTOGRAM CHALLENGE FOR AUGUST IS "SUMMER FUN"

Show off your patriotism! Please post your images on the [RCC Photo Blog](#) or email Bruce Herwig at bruceherwig@gmail.com with your photos! **Deadline Auguts 25.**



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ART ASSOCIATION

Call For Entries

Community Photography Show

Redlands Art Association announces the 15th Annual Photography Show, to be held July 29th through August 10th at the RAA Gallery at 215 E State Street. This show is open to the public, no membership required for participation. Here is a chance to show off that favorite photo or two in a professional gallery, for all to see.

Take-in of entries will be on Saturday, July 27th, from 1 to 4 pm at the gallery. Fees for entry are \$5 for one, \$8 for two. All entries must be ready to hang, with wires on the back. Prints must be framed and under glass, unless printed on canvas or metal. There are no theme or size requirements.

[CLICK HERE](#) to download an entry form.

A reception will be held on Saturday, August 3rd, from 1 to 4 pm, for an opportunity to invite family and friends to come and enjoy the show, with refreshments provided. The show will end on Saturday, August 10, with participants picking up their photos from 1-4 pm that day. For questions, email Judith Sparhawk at: jsparhawk746@yahoo.com.





WANTED

Photogram Editor - Know Microsoft Word? Work with an existing template and help coordinate the design of this essential club resource! *4-6 hours per month*

Historian – We have a ton of historical documents that need to be scanned and organized for our archives.

Like to learn more? Contact Bruce Herwig bruceherwig@gmail.com 909-742-9206.

RCC LEADERSHIP 2024-25



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Redlands Camera Club meetings are held the first and third Monday of each month. @ 7 pm.

1st Monday = In Person & Zoom
3rd Monday = Zoom Only

In Person Meetings:
First Presbyterian Church, Redlands, CA
Click For Directions

Visitors are always welcome at any of our meetings!

Member Since 1986

