



PHOTOGRAM

Monthly Newsletter of the Redlands Camera Club

May
2025



A Blooming Boot
By Tracy Reyes



BEHIND THE LENS

Message from the President

The RCC Member Photo Blog is more than just a gallery—it's a vibrant space for sharing, learning, and connecting. If you are not posting already, here are 7 reasons why you should consider:



1. Showcase Your Work

It's OK to show off! Share your photography with fellow members in a safe space.

2. Receive Constructive Feedback

Engage with peers to gain insights and suggestions that can enhance your photos.

3. Participate in Monthly Challenges

Join themed assignments to help spark and focus your creativity.

4. Document Your Progress

Maintain a visual record of your growth and evolving style over time.

5. Inspire and Be Inspired

Explore diverse perspectives and techniques by viewing others' submissions.

6. Enhance Club Engagement

Contributing fosters a sense of community and encourages others to share.

7. Get the Weekly Blog Summary

Every Sunday we send a recap of the images uploaded to the blog. So even if you've been busy that week, you've got one more touch point of inspiration!

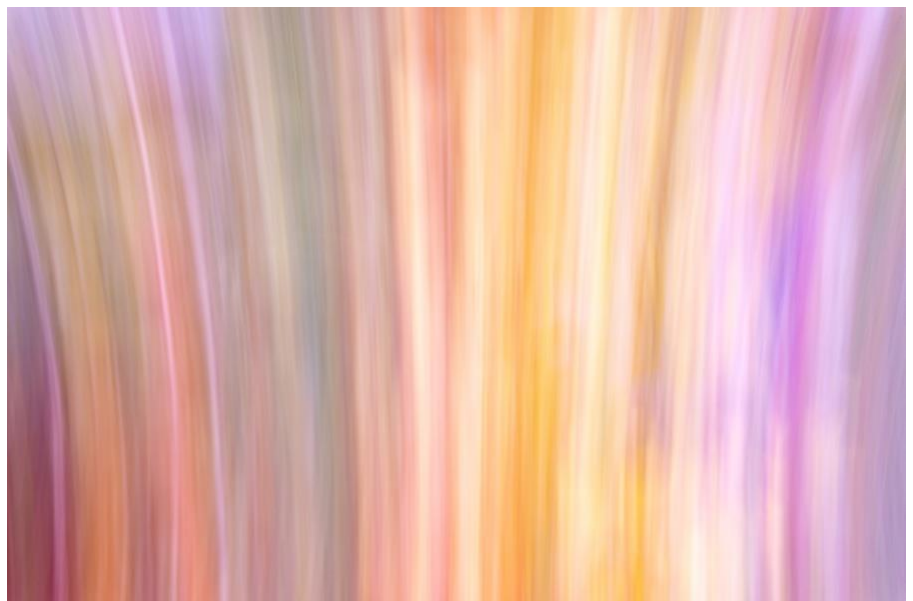
The blog is an integral part of RCC's mission to help photographers "Learn, Shoot, Edit, and Share." By participating, you not only refine your craft but also enrich our collective experience. Visit the RCC Member Photo Blog today!

www.rccphotoblog.com

Learn, Shoot, Edit, Share.

I can't wait to see your photos!!

PS. If you are a Redlands Camera Club member and would like to access our member photo blog, please email Stan Fry @ bassetdude@gmail.com



Spring Abstract (In Camera Movement)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Cheryl Diermyer - Vice President/Programs

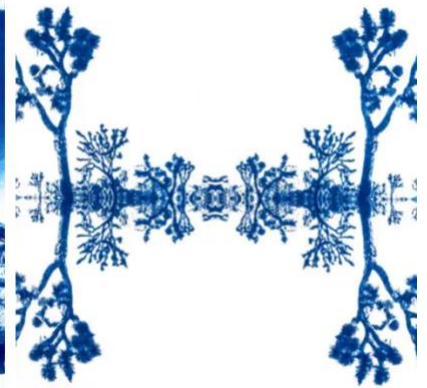


Exploring the Art of Cyanotype Printing

Monday, May 5 @ 7pm

In-Person and Zoom Meeting – Rose Cefalu

From Image Selection to Stunning Presentation. In this presentation, we'll dive into the contemporary cyanotype printing process, covering every step from start to finish. You'll learn how to choose the right image, create enlarged negatives, coat and expose paper, wash prints, and enhance contrast—all while exploring the many variables that influence the final result. Rose will bring large samples showcasing different shades of blue, along with tips and tricks to help you master this beautiful alternative photography technique.



Rose Cefalu: Rose Cefalu is always snapping iPhone photos and posting to Instagram (@joshuatreedesertrose, @rosecefaluphoto). She loves travel, printing, candle-making, and color-mixing. In 2019, she launched a cyanotype workshop to revive this vintage photo process. Rose also produces award-winning content and is currently the Photography Director at Emmy magazine.

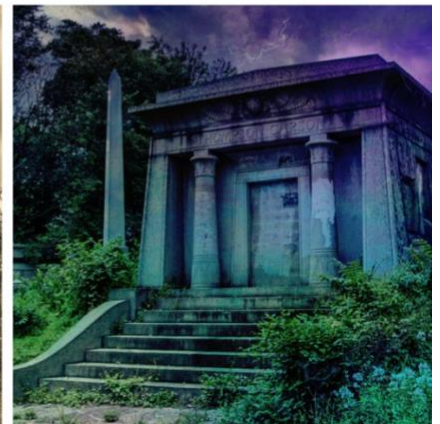
RoseCefaluPhoto.com

Working with Gradients and Gradient Maps

Monday, May 19 @ 7pm

Zoom Meeting – Hazel Meredith, APSA, HonNEC

In this presentation we will delve into the myriad of possibilities with gradients in Photoshop. We will explore Duo Tones, Creative Coloring, and use a Gradient Map to change the color palette of an image (or texture) and show how these techniques can bring a new level of creativity and polish to your editing workflow.



Hazel Meredith is an award-winning photographer and a sought-after teacher, speaker, and competition judge. She began teaching in 2007 and now does seminars at camera clubs and conferences across the U.S. She is the author of two eBooks on working with textures, and has released two creative courses. She and her husband produce the “Virtual Creative Photography Conference” with attendees from around the world. Hazel loves the creative aspect of photography and post-processing, especially the use of textures and software to create unique images. She is actively involved with the photographic community, and has held leadership roles and received honorary distinctions from several organizations. In the Fall of 2020 she was the recipient of the Ashbrook Award of Digital Imaging Instruction from the Photographic Society of America.

meredithimages.com



COMPETITION UPDATE

Julie Lowe - Competition Chair



I would like to formally introduce myself to you. My name is Julie Lowe and I'm the new Competition Chair for the 2025-2026 year.

I've been a member of the club since February 2024. I have thoroughly enjoyed attending the club meetings and going on a few club field trips. Best of all is getting to know some of the members and learning from everyone that I've met. I'm having such a good time at this club that I wanted to be more involved with the club.

Both Bruce and Carl have been training me for the role of Competition Chair since the Spring Competition. Congratulations to all the Spring Competition winners! For those winners who were not present at the meeting to accept their awards, I will bring them in to our next in-person meeting. For those winners who don't attend our in-person meeting, I will email them their digital certificates.

I will be formally starting my role in the next competition, which is our Summer Competition. It will start on May 19th and end on June 9th. We will be judging the entries on June 16th. The Category X for the Summer Competition will be **"Architecture."** For more information about this competition and all the competition rules, visit our website's Competition page. *I look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings and getting to know all of you.*



Congratulations to Carl Detrow on receiving the **Life Time Achievement Award** for his many years of service to the Redlands Camera Club!!



UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

Brian Spears - Field Trips

Street Photography Bingo

Laguna Beach Field Trip

Saturday, May 17 @ 10:00 am



Many members have expressed interest in learning and practicing street photography, so we've put together a fun and interactive field trip! You'll get to explore the art of street photography while playing "photo bingo." Each participant will receive a bingo card filled with street photography prompts based on locations and scenes between Laguna Beach and Dana Point.

We'll use the free trolley that runs through this scenic coastal area, hopping on and off throughout the day to capture a variety of images—from street scenes and people to architecture and unique moments. The goal is to fill in your bingo card by photographing the prompts—whether it's a single row, a full board, or just your favorite shots!

Meet-up Location:

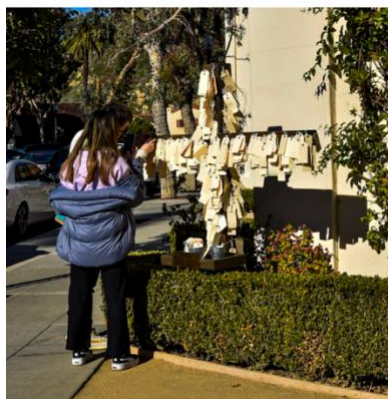
Laguna Beach @ the Main Beach
Lifeguard Tower
105 N Coast Hwy
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

What to Bring:

- Hat & Sunscreen
- Water
- Camera (of course!)

Get ready for a fun, spontaneous day of photography, creativity, and coastal adventure!

Field Trip Leader: Brian Spears
RCCfieldtrips@gmail.com



Photos courtesy Brian Spears

If you are interested in carpooling, let us know in the RSVP. We'll leave Coco's Bakery Restaurant in Redlands at 8:45 am sharp. 1140 W Colton Ave, Redlands, CA 92374.

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

Have an idea for a field trip, or if you would like to lead one?
We would love to hear from you. RedlandsCameraClub.org/SuggestionBox



CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Stephanie Billings - Membership Chair



FISCAL YEAR 25-26 RENEWALS ARE DUE

MEMBERS: I want to thank everyone who has paid their membership dues for our new fiscal year, which begins on April 1st. As of 04/25/25 only 42% of our members have renewed. If you have not already paid, please take a minute or two go online and fill out the form, hit pay and you're all done. If you would rather pay at the monthly meeting, please bring a completed renewal/new member form and your payment. It's just that easy!

If you have any questions about your membership, contact Stephanie Billings at:HeartandSoul4@yahoo.com

[Click Here to Renew Your Membership](#)

MEET NEW MEMBER ANALILA SAENZ

Hello! My name is Ana, and I live in the beautiful Coachella Valley. I'm an elementary school teacher, and while my days are dedicated to addressing the educational, behavioral, and social needs of my students, photography has become my creative outlet. My journey in photography began in 2020 during the Covid pandemic. With so much time at home, I found myself searching for a new hobby—and that's when photography caught my attention.



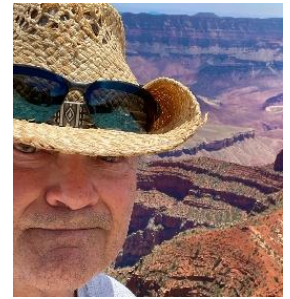
The arts have always intrigued me, and I've always had a deep appreciation for creativity in all its forms. During the pandemic, we brought a new puppy into our home, and I started capturing adorable moments of him. This quickly sparked my interest in photographing not only our dog but also the world around me. I began experimenting with different photography styles, from nature and landscape shots to macro and still photography.

As an amateur photographer, I'm still in the process of building a solid foundation of technical skills, but I'm eager to keep learning and growing along the way. My current focus is on improving my composition and unlocking my full creative potential. Photography has become a way for me to slow down, observe, and connect with the world in a new way, and I'm excited to continue exploring and growing in this art form.

WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?

Mike Livingston - Publicity

“Where have you been?” When was the last time you heard someone say that and you excitedly laid out your latest adventure?



Don't have an interesting story about where you've been tuning your camera skills recently? Need ideas for things to shoot? See what's NEW on the **Photo Ops Calendar**, which can be found on the RCC website under the Member Resources tab.

- Cinco de Mayo
- the Idyllwild Celtic Faire (May)
- Comic Con (July)
- the Renaissance Pleasure Faire (May), and more.

Go solo or, better yet, buddy up with a fellow RCC member. Shoot to practice what you learn from RCC programs and educational workshops. Shoot, edit as desired, then share what you've done.

Even if fellow members don't ask directly, we want to know: “Where have you been.”



DARKROOM EQUIPMENT

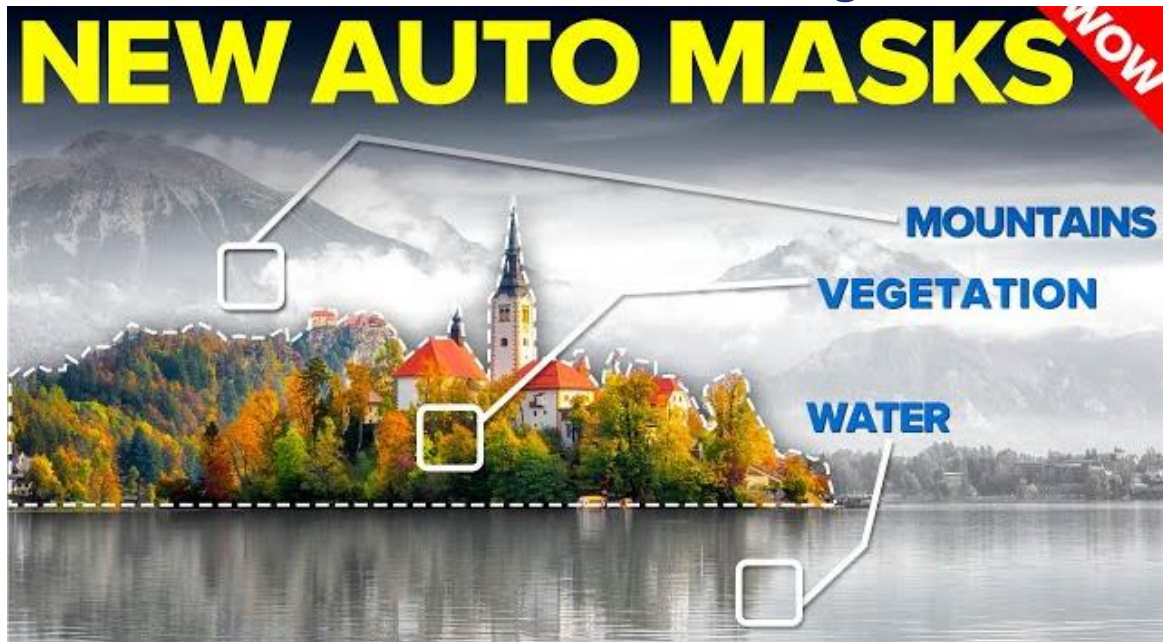
I have an assortment of darkroom equipment that I would like to part with. I live in Banning and would welcome any calls or emails of interested parties.

- Enlarger
- Timer and Trays
- Tripod
- Negative sleeves
- Dandy Snap Shot (*looks like part of a rifle & there would be a charge for it*)
- Some photography books

Thank you. Sharon Middleton, 951-267-3806

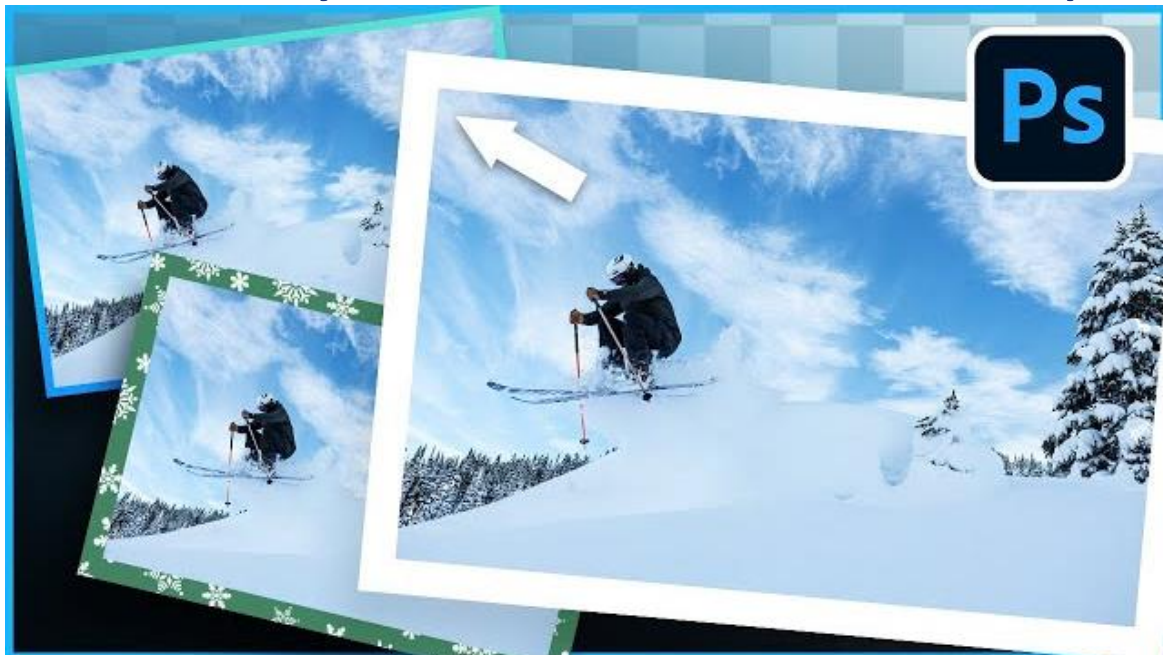
PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS OF THE MONTH

BIG FEATURE! What's New in Lightroom



[Click Here](#) To Watch (11 min)

5 EASY Ways To Create A Border In Photoshop



[Click Here](#) To Watch (6 min)

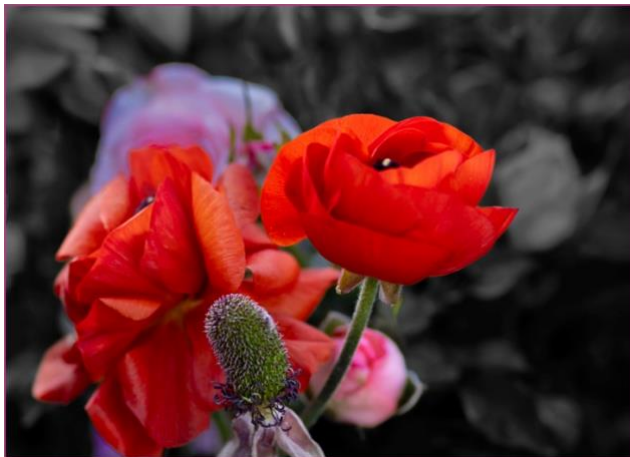
Have a Lightroom or Photoshop video you would recommend?
Let us know! Email bruceherwig@gmail.com

PHOTOGRAM CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH

"SPRING"



Springtime, A Still life by Heidi Wilson



Spring in color and B&W
by Stephanie Billings



In Springtime Red Buds
by Cheryl Callanan



Rose in B&W by Ipyani Lockert



Spring Blooms by Terri McMichael



Spring Storm Poster by Jim Hendon



Purple Spring by Linda deBaun

PHOTOGRAM CHALLENGE FOR MAY IS "Street Photography"

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

BEST OF THE BLOG – President’s Choice



trot, trot, trotting *by Stephanie Billings*

This is one of my images of the wild white horses of Camargue, France. The Guardians gathered several of them up for us to photograph each morning and evening. Originally the Guardians came from several different Gypsy Families, but now there are only two Guardians who are from one of the original families. This man is one of them. I wanted to process some of the photos in B&W and after Monday’s speaker I decided to try it out.

Joining the Redlands Camera Club Photo Blog offers a supportive, safe space to showcase your work, comment on photos, and stay connected with fellow RCC photographers.

If you are a Redlands Camera Club member and would like to access to our member photo blog, please email Stan Fry, at bassetdude@gmail.com

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AIRSHOW

This field trip was attended by Brian Spears, Dave Garner, Terri McMichael, Michelle Giesler, and Russ Trozera. We photographed from the east side in the morning and moved to the west in the afternoon for better light. Dave and Russ had planned ahead, knowing parking would be limited. Terri and Michelle took over 2,500 photos, and Russ took about 4,500!





MEMBER GOOD NEWS

Congratulations Brian Spears! He was accepted into this show, featuring the work of local artists who have created art focusing on the theme of mental health and wellness.

MEET THE ARTIST

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY Behavioral Health

SCAN HERE TO RSVP

Friday
May 9
6-7:30 p.m.

Fontana Lewis Library &
Technology Center
8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana

MEET THE ARTIST

Event Date:

Friday, May 9, 2025

Event Location:

Fontana Lewis Library
and Technology Center
8437 Sierra Avenue,
Fontana, CA

Event Time:

6-7:30 p.m.

*Event is free and open
to the public*

Did you win a photography award, get published or in a show?

Let us know about it! Don't be bashful...we would love to celebrate you and your accomplishments! There is a form on the website called "Good News."

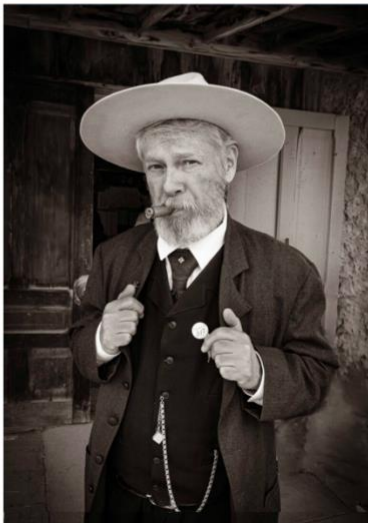
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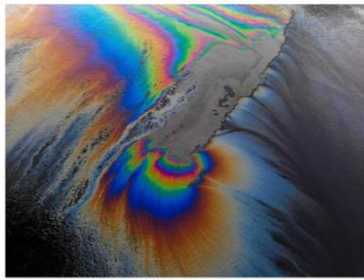
SPRING 2025 Competition Winners



BEST OF SHOW

Russell Trozera – Cowboy Sunset







YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU...

Club Secretary - Attend the quarterly RCC Board Meetings and take notes. Provide input and feedback into club decisions. *3 hours quarterly*

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*

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

RCC LEADERSHIP 2025-26



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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

