



PHOTOGRAM

Monthly Newsletter of the Redlands Camera Club

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Arangatram Dancer
by Julie Lowe



BEHIND THE LENS

Message from the President

When we think of reflections in photography, we imagine glassy lakes, shiny windows, or polished floors capturing another version of reality. Yet reflections also carry a deeper meaning, an invitation to pause, look back, and see life from another angle.



A reflection is never the object itself. It is shaped by light, perspective, and distance. In the same way, our own reflections on life are influenced by time, experience, and memory. The more we step back and consider, the more we see patterns, connections, and beauty that were not obvious in the moment.

Photography is an art of noticing, and reflection is an art of understanding. Together, they remind us that what we capture with our camera is never only about the scene. It is also about the story we bring to it. A photograph of a quiet pond is not only water and trees; it can also be peace, gratitude, or longing, depending on the reflection of the photographer's heart.

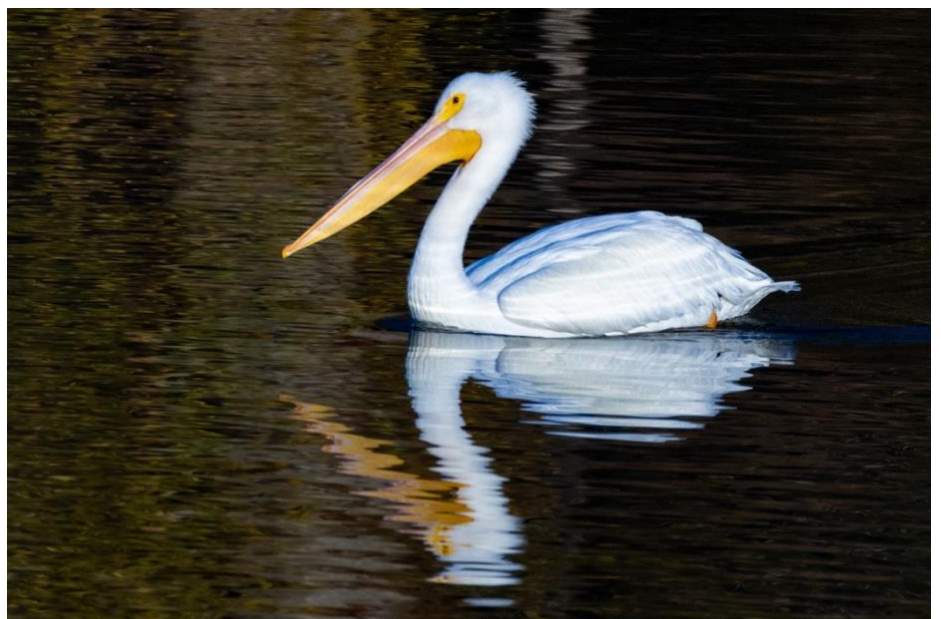
As photographers, we learn that reflections are not always perfect mirrors. They ripple, distort, and sometimes surprise us. Life does the same. Looking back, we often see not a flawless copy of what happened, but a version that challenges us to grow and see differently.

This month, I encourage you to explore reflections both in your images and in yourself. You may find that what appears on the surface points to something deeper within.

Bruce Herwig

Learn, Shoot, Edit, Share.
I can't wait to see your photos!!

PS. A special thanks to Christine Pence for helping gather information for our *Photogram* newsletter. I'm still looking for an editor. Please email me at bruceherwig@gmail.com if you're interested in learning more.



Pelican swimming at Yucaipa Regional Park



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Cheryl Diermyer - Vice President/Programs



Digital Storytelling

Monday, October 6, 2025 @ 7 pm

In-Person and Zoom Meeting

In this engaging presentation, photographers are introduced to the art and practice of digital storytelling—an approach that transforms images into powerful, multi-dimensional narratives. Participants will explore how to write a compelling story, then learn about the process and tools for weaving together audio, text, narration, movement, and photographs to create a dynamic final piece. Examples of digital storytelling clients will be shared, illustrating how clients across diverse fields have used digital stories to connect with audiences and create lasting impact.

Digital storytelling is also a meaningful avenue for capturing personal histories, reflecting on personal growth, and sharing life's milestones. Digital stories can make for heartfelt gifts—especially during the upcoming holidays—offering a unique way to preserve memories and honor loved ones.

Presented by Cheryl

Diermyer. Her certification in digital storytelling from the StoryCenter in Berkeley, CA was a pivotal experience as it reminded Cheryl that photography is a central part of who she is. She returned to her first passion, the visual image and the stories within. People and their stories are at the heart of what draws her to photography.





Create Compelling Pictures of People

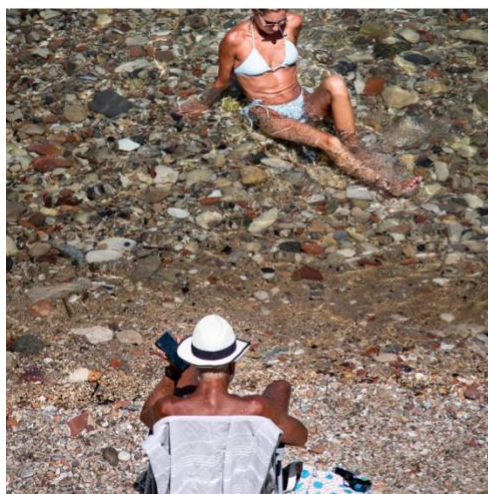
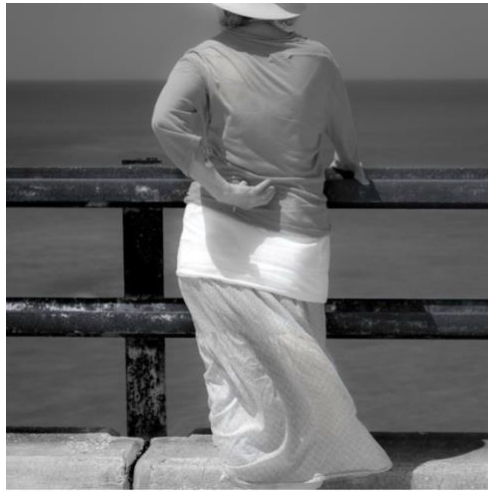
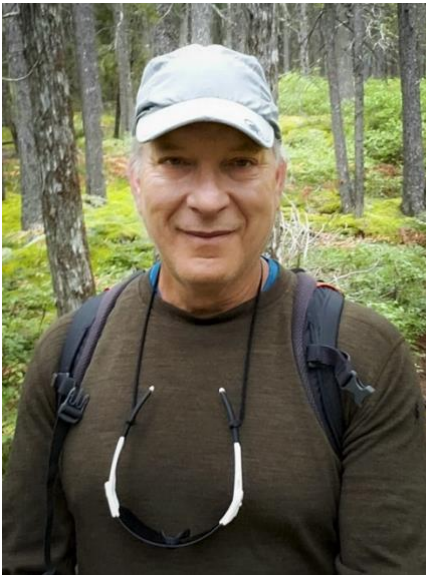
Monday, October 20, 2025 @ 7pm

Zoom Meeting

This presentation explores how to compose pictures with people in them to draw the viewer in, evoke emotion, and tell a story. Posed portraits, environmental portraits, street portraiture, and travel photographs will all be included in the discussion. We will review many of the core tenets of composition and how to capture the right gestures, background, expressions, lighting, perspective, camera settings, and more. Ray will share ideas for creating more impactful and memorable pictures.

Presented by Ray Schneider

Ray is a freelance photographer whose images span numerous genres including portrait, street, landscape, animals, and events. An avid traveler, his images come from over 30 countries. He has published a book entitled *What the Photographer Sees*. Ray also recently received a Portfolio Merit Award from Black and White Magazine.





COMPETITION UPDATE

Julie Lowe - Competition Chair

Our Winter Photo Competition is almost here! Get your cameras ready and start capturing your best shots—you won't want to miss this chance to showcase your masterpiece(s).

- Entries will be accepted from October 20 - November 10.
- The judging will be via Zoom, on November 17 @ 6:30 pm
- and the awards will be given out on December 1.

Category X will be "TOYS." We will accept limited digital manipulations to these images for Category X. I can't wait to see your creative entries!



Hot & Spicy
Tracy Rayes

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. [Click Here to Renew Your Membership](#)



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

To all RCC members please help us welcome our newest members:
James Capo and Siobhan Feeney



Scott Kelby's Worldwide PHOTO WALK

OCTOBER 4, 2025



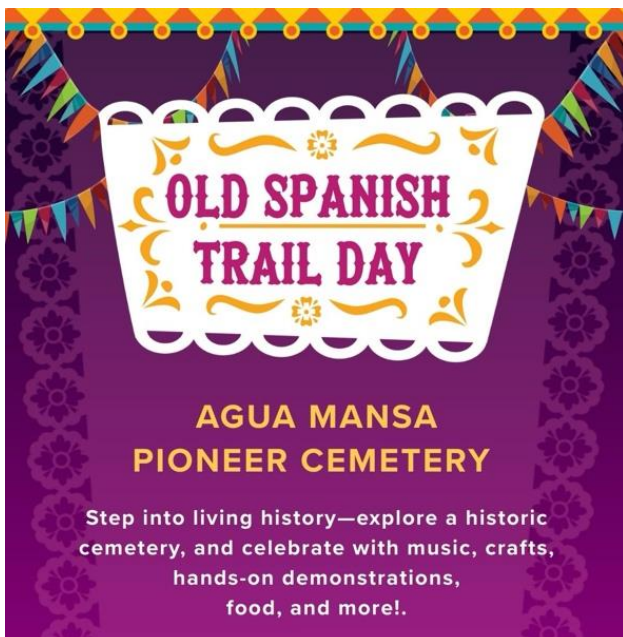
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DOWNTOWN REDLANDS

9:30-10:30 am

Walk will start at Ed Hales Park 101 E. State St. Redlands CA. The walk will consist of exploring painted murals in the downtown area, Umbrella Alley, Ed Hales Clock Park, Farmers Market in Downtown Redlands, Redlands Visitor Center, and Redlands Art Association Gallery.

Lead by Russ Trozera



OLD SPANISH TRAIL DAY

@ The Auga Mansa Pioneer Cemetery

11:00am-1pm

Join us for an adventurous day which will include self-guided tours of a mock Old Spanish Trail around the cemetery, live entertainment, historical demonstrations, arts & crafts, educational resource tables, and refreshments.

Lead by Brian Spears



UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

Brian Spears - Field Trips

UCR California Museum of Photography

Saturday, October 18, 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM



Join us for a private viewing of the “Between Seeing and Feeling” and “The Lost Years: Ansel Adams” exhibits at the UCR California Museum of Photography, downtown Riverside.

Cost: \$15. We’ve prepaid for the group...bring cash to Cheryl. *Exact amount appreciated.*

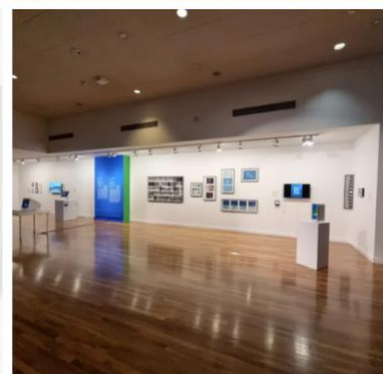
Between Seeing and Feeling: Touch is a deeply human experience, conveying joy, intimacy, love, and grief. Though it is not immediately associated with photography, throughout the medium’s history, artists have sought to capture feeling on film, asking what it means to feel a photograph. The exhibition highlights how photography can engage not just our eyes, but also suggest movement, touch, and even sound.

The Lost Years: Ansel Adams - What? Ansel Adams is hired for a six-year commission from the University of California, the largest project the photographer ever tackled (his personal Yosemite obsession aside)? Fiat Lux’s over 7,500 images reveal an artist whose photographic coordinates have become unfixed. We see a great photographer off-balance. We witness an artist swimming hard against the tide of relentless change.

Where to Meet: At 10:50 AM we will meet outside near the front doors of the UCR California Museum of Photography, 3824 Main Street, Riverside, CA.

Post Event Comradery: Urban Drip Patio or Simple Simons Bistro Patio or Las Campanas Mexican Patio at the Mission Inn (1 Block walk). There are several places for the group to decide.

[Click Here to RSVP](#)





MEMBER GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to Ed Gandara



My photograph "Cozy Winter" won the *Fred Van Suchtelen* Award in the Whittier Art Association's "Floral, Fauna & Figurines" juried show in September 2025.

www.WhittierArtGallery.org

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."

RedlandsCameraClub.org/GoodNews

PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS OF THE MONTH

Toy Photography - Photographing Action Figures in Action



[Click Here](#) To Watch (5 min)

Explore Blending Modes in Photoshop



[Click Here](#) To Watch (25 min)

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

PHOTOGRAM CHALLENGE SEPTEMBER WAS “REFLECTION”



Reflecting Kimberly Crest - Judith Sparhawk



Roseate Spoonbill - James Capo



Double Vision - Tracy Reyes



Ripple Reflections - Wayne Purcell



Barred Owl and Reflection -
Dorothy Cunningham



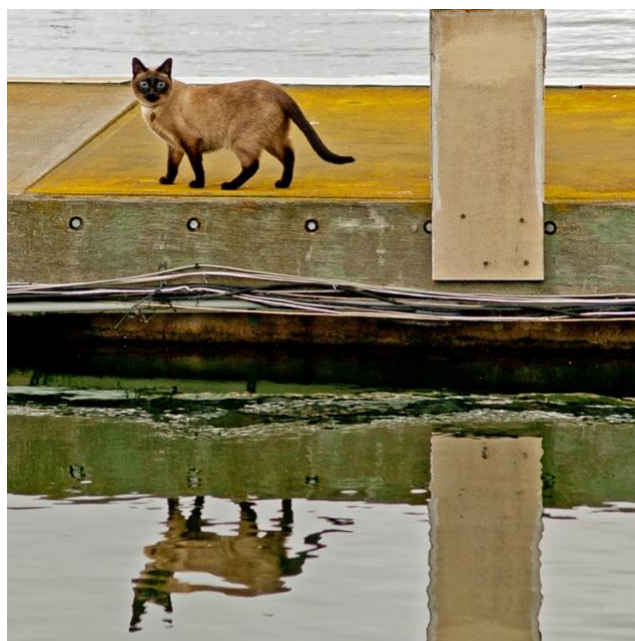
Lily at the Getty - Carol Farrar



Jenks Lake - Ashley Jones



August Boating in Nova Scotia
- Christine Pence



Dock Patrol - Jim Hendon



Bubble View – Heidi Wilson



Airstream Reflection - Linda deBaun



Golden Pavilion, Kyoto, Japan
- Heidi Wilson



Reflecting The View - by Cheryl Callanan



D Belly Full - by Carol Farrar



Selfie - by James Capo

PHOTOGRAM CHALLENGE FOR OCTOBER IS "ORANGE"

Please post your images on the [RCC Photo Blog](https://www.redlandscameraclub.org/blog) #Orange or email Bruce Herwig at bruceherwig@gmail.com with your photos! **Deadline OCTOBER 25.**



BEST OF THE BLOG – President's Choice



Blue Reflections of Angel Palms by Linda DeBaun

I love blue. Blue in skies, in pools, in colorings, paintings, photos Nature blesses me here. In this picture, I tried to capture the rippling effects in the pool, with clouds and angel palms.

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.

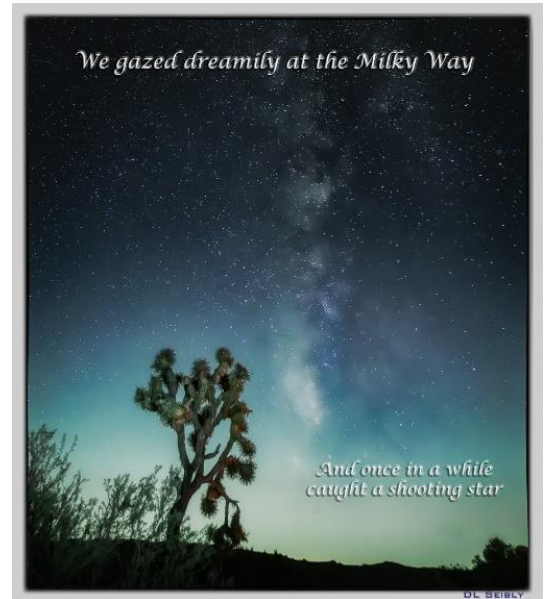
If you are a Redlands Camera Club member and would like to access to our member photo blog, please email Stan Fry, at bassetdude@gmail.com

JOSHUA TREE FIELD TRIP

On Friday, September 19, 25 RCC members and guest converged on Hidden Valley, where the Milky Way rose above the surrounding boulders. We left with images of the galaxy's core and the memories of a beautiful outing under the stars.



by Cheryl Callanan



by Deborah Seibly



by Jim Wayda



by Bruce Herwig



by Tom Powers



SHARING OUR TALENTS...



Mansion Memories, serving kids and families in crisis. Families spend an afternoon on the grounds of the Burroughs Mansion, where they are treated everyone to fun and games, food and drinks, and a whole lot of smiles and laughter. *It was a great opportunity to capture the magic!*



...AND LOVE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY!



The Redlands Area Historical Society hosted the 1st Annual Heritage Club Fair. Mike Livingston and Bruce Herwig ran the booth representing the Redlands Camera Club, founded in 1896...and we weren't even the oldest club! Redlands has a rich heritage of clubs and community participation. It's one of the things that make our City so special!



CHECK OUT THE CLUB ON YOUTUBE!



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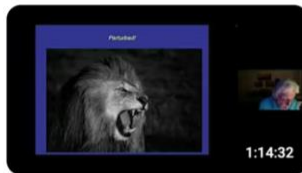
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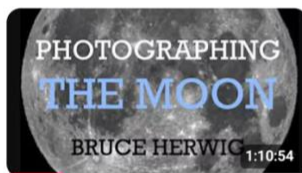
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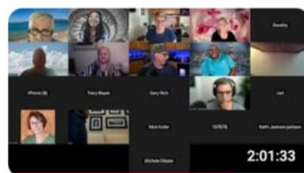
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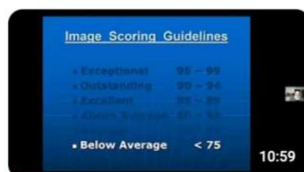
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OUR CLUB NEEDS YOU...

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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Club Secretary Needed

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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

