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Venetian Gardens Judith M Schutz



In my yard Debbie LeCrone

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## Casements Camera Club Est 1976

Promoting the Art of Photography and the unlimited expanse of imagination and creativity

Meetings - 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday monthly 7:00 p.m. at the Casements 25 Riverside Drive Ormond Beach President—Ans van Beek Torkington ansvanbeekphoto@hotmail.com 386-767-6437 Vice President—Paul Johnson colpaj@aol.com 386-795-8570

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Greetings to all. Lately, I've been waking up to the sound of birds singing and chirping outside of my bedroom window and with spring just a sneeze away, thus, the birds have taken over the header. And no, this newsletter will not be for the birds!!!! I prefer to say that it will be for the bugs, (photography bugs). I know, that was a terrible play on words, so I'll give y'all a break and move on to the news.

## RECAP

February's meeting with Joe Zaia's presentation of the slide show program ProShow Gold proved to be quite rewarding. More than 50 members attended this very informative meeting and Joe concluded the meeting by donating a ProShow Producer program (\$295.00 value) as a door prize. Debbie Perez won the door prize and has donated the program back to the club. Debbie is a Mac user and ProShow is a Microsoft only program at this time. If anyone is interested in this program, please contact Ans. Thank you Joe and thank you Debbie!!! And to put the icing on the cake, Ans signed up 7 new members. What a great evening!!!!!

# 25<sup>th</sup> Ebony & Ivory Show

All I can say is HUBBA, HUBBA, HUBBA!!!! What a phenomenal exhibit!!! With 42 photographers submitting 68 entries, the 25<sup>th</sup> E & I exhibit was truly Silver. The reception on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> was well received as members viewed the exhibit and indulged in conversation and camaraderie. An array of tasty delicacies were savored by all and Ans introduced her special surprise, the wine bar.

**The Exhibit will be stricken on Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm.** If anyone is unable to pick up their image at that time, please let Ans know. A very warm THANK YOU to each and everyone who helped make this show such a success. And on behalf of the club, I would like to send out huge THANK YOU to Ans and all of her hard work and to Ed Beckett for judging the show and critiquing the winners.

Before I post the winners and their images, I would like to introduce the "hanging crew." They have expressed they do not want that name, as it reminds them of Old England when they hung people. From left to right: Bill Speno, Richard Rosenthal, David Pruett, Skip Lowery and Tom Silvey. They did an excellent job. Thank you!!!



#### **Honorable Mention:**

#7 - Serenity by Debbie Perez

# 24 - Angel Sunrise by Carol Bader
# 38 - Coming Together by Tom Silvey
# 40 - English Bobbies by Kathleen Pruett
# 61 - Gypsy Camp-India by Skip Lowery

### Merit Award:

# 4 - Gull by Elizabeth Rourke
# 20 - Cosmos after the Rain by Jeanne Figurelli
# 23 - Turnagain Arm Low Tide, AK by Patti Swenson
# 25 - First Touch by Carol Bader
# 59 - Preening by Adelet Kegley

**3rd Place:** # 21 - Stairway to Heaven by Jeanne Figurelli

**2nd Place:** # 63 - A Ride Back in Time by Vicki Payne

**1st Place:** # 41 - Downtown Orlando by Kathleen Pruett

> Best-of-Show: # 6 - Stormy Day by Debbie Perez

### **Casements Award:**

#56 Whale Watching Boats Iceland by Bill Sweeters



Debbie Perez---H M





Carol Bader---H M

Tom Silvey--- H M



Kathleen Pruett---H M



Skip Lowery---H M



Elizabeth Rourke--- M A



Jeanne Figuerlli---M A



Pattie Swenson---M A



Carol Bader---M A



Adelet Kegley---M A



Jeanne Figurelli---3<sup>rd</sup> Place



Vicki Payne---2<sup>nd</sup> Place



Kathleen Pruett---1<sup>st</sup> Place



Debbie Perez---Best of Show



Bill Sweeters---Casements Awards

Congratulations to all !!!!!

**Welcome new members** Pauline Taylor, Kathy Robison, Linda Harrington, Sue Causey, Herb & Barbara Paynter, Gloria Lotzer, Janet Bernardini & Jessica Linkinhoker. Wow, this is really exciting that y'all have taken an interest and joined us. We welcome your creativity and interaction. Again, WELCOME!!!!!!

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### MEMBER'S SPOTLIGHT

Tony Procanik received First Place of Show at the Flagler County Art League Show on Faces earlier this month. The exhibit was for paint artists primarily, but was open to photographers also. Congrats Tony!!!!

New member Herb Paynter informed me that he has recently been signed with the Digital School of Photography as a regular writer. His first article was published earlier this month. Here's the link to that article:

https://digital-photography-school.com/understand-science-photography-technical-terms-mastering-image-tonality/ Congrats Herb, we look forward to more of your articles.

And a last minute news brief, Debbie LeCrone has received 2 awards from ViewBug. Her first award was Winner in "The Colors of Easter Photo Challenge" & the second award was Winner in "Living Coral Photo Challenge." Congrats Debbie!!!!!



The Colors of Easter—Debbie LeCrone



Living Coral—Debbie LeCrone

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting:** The meeting will feature CCC member Donna Armstrong with a slideshow presentation of her Indochina Trip in November 2017. Time permitting, Ans will present some images from the January & February photo challenge. Hope to see y'all there!!!!!

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# FYI

I have been informed that the darkroom equipment posted in last month's newsletter has been donated to Flagler Palm Coast High School and Ed Beckett ( the judge of our 25<sup>th</sup> Ebony & Ivory Show) was very grateful. I am happy to hear that it will be put to use by future aspiring photographers!!!!!

Raphael Torres, Digital Photography Instructor at the Art League of Daytona is planning a Spring Nature and Photoshop Course. Below is his course announcement.

Dear students and friends in photography:

It's almost Springtime and a great opportunity for all of us to get back outdoors and continue learning and enjoying our photography.

I am presently planning a new Spring Nature and Photoshop Course to start on the last week of March as the weather and the light changes for the better.

This course will run for 8 weeks and will alternate each Saturday with time outdoors at various locations in Central Florida (to be announced) to do your Nature photography and then returning the next Saturday to the Art League's studio and classroom to develop and improve your image processing skills. We will use the images you created on each previous field work and make them come alive in your own laptop computers.

I plan to use a variety of applications, including but not only Adobe Photoshop and Elements as well as other lesser known but very useful plug-ins to enhance your pictures.

The 8-week Intermediate course is available to participants at a reduced 10% from the \$35.00 weekly fees if paid in full on the first attended class on Saturday, March 31st., 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Art League of Daytona Beach.

We need to know how many students are planning to attend to confirm this starting date no later than March 24 via email reply to this message. suburbanexplorer@gmail.com

Looking forward to another great adventure outdoors and in the magical classroom.

# In Conclusion

I think that pretty much covers everything this month. Once again, THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the 25<sup>th</sup> Ebony & Ivory Show a huge success. May the warmer temperatures of Spring and the longer daylight evenings (DST) bring you many enjoyable hours of photography!!!!!

Until\_\_\_\_\_

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