



The Covid Times
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Ormond Beach Treasure Hunter during Covid
Sylvia Rohmer

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Promoting the Art of Photography and the unlimited expanse of imagination and creativity
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Casements Camera Club

Greetings to all. We are all tired of the "Covid Times" and these header images are not meant to remind you of our crazy world, but hopefully to inspire you in these **changing** times. Alice's image could depict frustration if you read the body language (arms folded and eyebrows not lifted by a smile), but her shop is open!!!! Now on the other hand, Sylvia's image depicts determination to accept change, with the ability to enjoy the freedom of nature as she searches for that special treasure. So, I ask, where are you today? As photographers, we have so many opportunities and abilities to accept the change and to go hunting for the treasure (that one WOW—BAMM image)!!!!!! On to the news.....

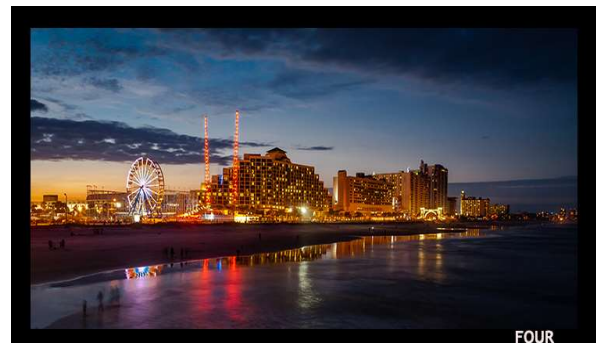
RECAP---The July 30th Zoom meeting went very well. We were happy to see a larger turnout this month and Ans gave a slideshow presentation with images from the Long Exposure Assignment and then announced the winners. Congratulations Donna Armstrong, our first place winner!!! Donna was awarded a free (\$35.00 value) 2021 membership.



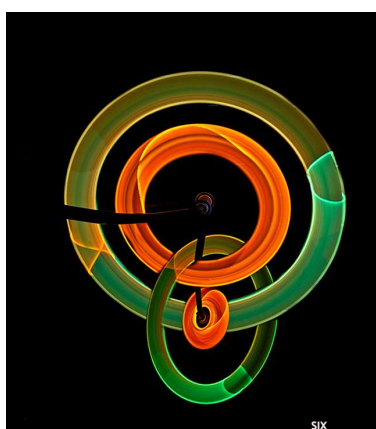
Winner---Donna Armstrong



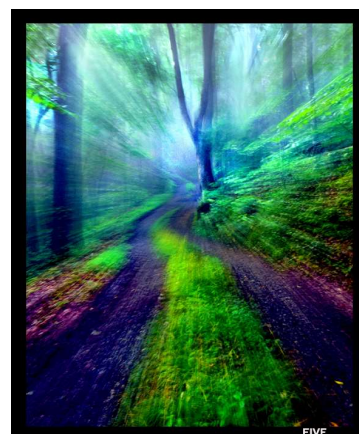
2nd Place—Joan Robinson



3rd Place—Adelet Kegley



4th Place—Stan Mitchell



5th Place—Skip Lowery

Congratulations to all of the winners and “Thank you” to all that participated!!!!

Ans concluded the meeting with slideshow presentations of the January, Blue Springs Park and the February, Marineland Beach Field Trips. To add a “feather in the hat” four winners of the Long Exposure Assignment joined Ans in a Zoom interview with Jarleene Almenas, Associate Editor with the Ormond Beach Observer on Thursday, August 6. The interview went very well and Jarleene wrote an excellent article about the CCC, Ans & the winners. The link was sent out to the club in an email, but if you missed it: <https://www.ormondbeachobserver.com/article/staying-in-focus-casements-camera-club-remains-active-with-assignments-virtual-meetings>

The **August 27 meeting** will be a Zoom meeting again this month. Ans will inform members as to what will be covered in this meeting when she sends out the Zoom link. Hope to see you zoomed in!!!!!!

CCC members were invited to Blake Rudis' webinar, “Finding you in your work” on Tuesday evening August 4. There were over 500 viewers across America and Ontario Canada attending this webinar. It was an excellent webinar. I was totally inspired to learn Photoshop and took advantage of his special discounted offer for a 30day class (sorry ON1, you are on the back burner). It was reported that other CCC members gave this webinar a positive review and also took advantage of Blake's class offer. Many thanks to Ans for getting the CCC this invitation.

One last reminder: Registration for the 40th Annual Show in the Casements is Monday, August 31 from 3:00-5:00 pm. Rules were in last month's newsletter and also sent out via email.

Feedback Friday—Feedback Friday was introduced and discussed in the July Zoom meeting. An email was sent out to the club with details for this “tool for the club.” If you attended Blake's webinar, you would have seen that this idea of constructive critiquing was reinforced. The next Feedback Friday is set for Friday, August 28 at 4:00 pm, and an email will be sent out with the Zoom meeting link. The images below were submitted by Ans as an example as to how the critiquing works. If you need more information, please contact Ans and she will resend the information.

Image 1---Original image

Image 2—Re-edit (wanted a lighter mood)

Image 3—After feedback --combined lighter tree and detailed skies



Original image



Re-edit



After feedback

Congratulations Debbie LeCrone---Debbie received the ViewBug “Summer 2020 Award.”



Debbie LeCrone

PLEASE SEND ANS YOUR “STUCK AT HOME” images for the club's website. I confess, I am guilty this month, as I've been concentrating on learning Photoshop. I have some challenges I want to experiment with and once I finish this class, hopefully I'll be able to apply what I've learned. Your images do not have to be gallery worthy. You can learn more from those “less than perfect” images than you can from that gallery image. Remember the Zen method, “if dat don't work, zen try dis.” You never know who will inspired by your image. So please, share your photography challenges [stuck at home] with the group. Ans has gone above and beyond during these COVID times with challenges and webinars and much more, attempting to keep the CCC alive. So please show her your appreciation and support, and send her you “stuck at home” images.

THANK YOU

In this Loony Tunes world I'll let Porky Pig say it for me, "debigga, debigga, debigga, that's all folks."

Until_____

Stan