

# CCC NOVEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

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**Meetings: 4th Tuesday monthly 3pm-5pm25 Riverside Dr. Ormond Beach 32176**

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## Ten Day Challenge LANDSCAPE

Begins **November 11** – ends before Turkey Time – **November 20**. Perfect weather to get out and enjoy shooting the beauty around you. Email Ans or Judy Speno to be put on the List of Participants. Rules and list of entrants will be sent by November 10.

## HOLLYDAZE NOTES

The annual **ChristmasTree** decorating at the Casements will take place on **November 27, 9-10a.m.** Members are encouraged to make a photographic decoration for the tree and participate in Decorating from 9 a.m.–10 a.m.

**Speaking of Santa** – it's that Time of Year to sign up for the **Annual CCC**

**Christmas Party, Wednesday December 13 at 3 pm.** Let Ans or the Board know **How Many** will be in **Your Party** and what you plan to bring. The Board will provide drinks and there will be wine.

Help make the party **Merry & Bright** by sending Ans **FIVE FAVORITE 2023 PIX** for the Slide Show.

## NEXT Regular CCC Meeting – November 14.

November 14 meeting is the Election of the Board. Donna Armstrong and Neala McCarten will do a member presentation about their trip to Israel and Jordan in April. The meeting promises to be interesting, lively and informative.

## LOOKING BACK - thanks to talented **Judy Speno** for being the **Featured Artist in the**

**Minimalism Challenge.** Judy does so much in efficiently producing the multi Challenges throughout the year. She's always ready with her beautiful



**Thanks again to Jeffri Moore** who spoke on **Cellphone Photography** at the September meeting. Ans has the hand-out of notes for tips and advice on improving cell photography. It's far more versatile than Selfies. There is, however, a ratio in camera settings or preferences that affect the usefulness to technically exhibit photos. Ratio should be set to FUL or 3:4. A ratio of 16:9 (very narrow) basically eliminates pix for slideshows or videos. ReSET RATIO & RULE PHOTOWORLD.

The presentation at the **October meeting** was a bit more than unusual. The guest speaker, **Christina Katsolis** the lead museum technician, couldn't come because of severe understaffing at the Museum BUT the talented CCC Board jumped in and saved the day. There was quite a bit of input and insight on how to curate for exhibits.

**Speaking of Exhibits** – CCC has been invited to exhibit in the Southeast Museum of Photography with the theme of **Still Life**. The Board asks members to **enter 10 images at 300ppi**. These can be current or harvested from 5 years ago. There were 2 Still Life Challenges during that period so finding your ideal image may be easier than anticipated. Entry fee is required but amount is unannounced at this point.

This invitation to exhibit at one of the South's finest galleries is a major honor and recognition for CCC. Every member needs to participate and proudly show the best of their work.

**IT's THAT TIME OF YEAR** – let the bad photos begin. Folks will be gathering around trees, tables, turkey and most people nowadays will be taking photos. Most will be pretty awful, mine included. Gathering-style photos are usually made fast, without positioning, attention to lighting or slap-snappy pix of people stiffly frozen in a pose. These beauties may be sentimental but keepers they ain't. It's more likely you want to delete the pix than print and hang. **Just for fun – send some to share in some way**. The Net is full of tips on getting the one in a million shot. My favorite article was **Digital-Photography-School.com** that suggested we Get Down on Eye Level with Kids. Adjust the ISO instead of using flash. Shoot moments, not poses. Know when to put the camera down. Invest in prime lens. In the final analysis who cares. Holidays are created for Joy and Memory so Let's Make Magic whatever way we can.