# Through the Viewfinder



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———— July 2023 ————

Our July in-person Club meeting will be at the Palms *movie screening room* where the accommodations are luxurious. We will also provide "gotomeeting" online support for those unable to attend in person.

There is a significant change for submitting image files to be judged at our July meeting. Email them to alberthuen@yahoo.com by 8pm Sunday (not Monday!). The extra day gives Albert more time to take over from Susannah the building of the projection files.

Big thanks to Chris Zsarnay for judging our June meeting with the topic of *Complementary Colors*. Chris is a Brooks Institute graduate and successful Ventura County professional commercial photographer for over 30 years. We remember and appreciate his hosting the Club members at his studio some years ago where he showed his techniques to make a hamburger look perfect, like seen on the advertisements from major commercial burger companies. He has supported our Club for many many years and we look forward to hosting his expertise again next year!

Our judge for July is Dan Holmes, of Ventura *landscape* photography fame, he is the former President of CIPPA (Channel Islands Professional Photographers Association). That organization included many Brooks Facility members plus many local professional photographers. Dan is also the multiple winner of the California Professional Landscape Photographer of the year award, plus <u>many</u> others..

Dan is also a many long time supporter of our Club, he has hosted the majority of Club members (before COVID) to be on his "California Coast and Crest" adventures, including yours truly, and also a few of us on his Alaska and Namibian safaris. Needless to say, Dan is a special supporter of our Club.



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#### **Please Join Our Next VCCC Meeting:**

July 12th, Wednesday, @ 6:30pm in the "Movie Screening Room", Regency Palms, 1020 Bismark Way, Oxnard. Gather at 6:15 in the front entrance or the back alley parking lot, use front electric door for quick entry and seating. From back alley, call the front desk at (805) 247-0227 to request back door entry assistance.

This facility is only about a year old, very modern, and very nice! The new "Movie Screening Room" is equipped with the latest high end audio/video equipment including a premium permanent wall mounted silver movie theater screen. The padded seats are big and comfortable with armrests and writing tables. The room has heating and air conditioning. *Please! Don't be late! Late arrivals in a dark room can be annoying!*. Try not to arrive inside the facility lobby before 6:15 or after 6:30. The facility has wifi so we will also use Gotomeeting.com app for those that cannot attend in person. I suggest you use GPS to drive to Bismark Way. Since driving I have missed the turn from Channel Islands Blvd twice to Concord Dr even using GPS, I recommend you turn onto Albany Dr, its easy to see. Curb spaces are often available in front of the building. There are also 20+ empty parking spaces in the new paved alley *behind* the building, you can park in ones marked "Regency Palms Parking Only". Do not park in stalls marked "Residents Only".





**Membership Annual Payment Info:** If you have not already done-so, please mail \$50 for 2023 to Joyce at the below address, or bring your check to the meeting. **Partial annual payments will be pro-rated on a month to month basis...** 

Joyce Schoppe,

Ventura County Camera Club, Inc.

4875 Mascagni St, Ventura, CA 93003

If necessary, contact Joyce at: <a href="mailto:ibschoppe@sbcglobal.net">ibschoppe@sbcglobal.net</a>

Only Club Members... may submit images for critique by our expert judges.

**Member's Digital entries** must be sent to: **alberthuen@yahoo.com** by 8 pm on **Sunday** before the Wednesday night meeting. Files must use the naming format:

TITLE\_photog name\_date03-23\_Assigned/Open.jpg

Images should <u>not exceed the vertical size</u> of **1080 pixels**. That is the standard for full HD images.



Go To Only

"Winter"

January 11:

## **2023 VCCC Schedule**

### **Location, Assigned Topics. & Scheduled Judges:**

Palms+GoTo "Silence" Chris Broughton <a href="https://www.christopherbroughton.com">https://www.christopherbroughton.com</a> February 8: /Club Officials ... due to last minute judge work changes March 8: Palms+GoTo "That Ah-Ha Moment" Pete Scifres https://psa-photo.org/index.php?peter-scifres-0218 Go To Only "On the Edge" April 12: Carl Volpe <a href="https://www.carlvolpephoto.com">https://www.carlvolpephoto.com</a> Palms+GoTo "Dramatic Moment" May 10: Hutch Hutchison https://www.digitaldaydreaming.com June 14: Palms+GoTo "Complementary Colors" **Chris Zsarnay July 12:** Palms+GoTo "Landscapes/Seascapes" Dan Holmes https://www.danholmesphoto.com Wide Angle" August 8: Cynthia Bullard cynthiabullardphotography.com Palms+GoTo

September 13: Go To Only "TBD or I Found this at the Beach" Chris Broughton https://www.christopherbroughton.com

October 11: Go To Only "B&W Street Portrait" David Ingraham <a href="https://davidingraham.com">https://davidingraham.com</a>
November 8: Go To Only "Doorways" Greg Cooper <a href="http://www.mediacooper.com">http://www.mediacooper.com</a>

December 2023: Year End Competition Various Expert Professional Judges

No meeting in December, we conduct the *Year End* Competition of all Merits awarded during the calendar year. *All Digital Merits are automatically entered, so you do not have to do anything if you received a Digital Merit!* 

Front Street View "Regency Palms" Back AlleyView (Parking & Gate)





Stephanie Hogue http://www.stephaniehogue.com



#### Results of June 2023 Meeting - Critique & Judging

**Judge: Chris Zsarnay** 

## **Digital:**

Assigned: (14) "Complementary Colors"

"A Familiar View" by Steve Ginn
"Angel Orange Teal" by Ken MacGregor
"Bierded Iris" by Pat Wynn
"Cactus Bloom" by Chris Martens
"Chairs and Vowels" by Bill Horstick
"Daisies" by Steve Ginn
"Dead Heat" by Steve Light
"Eye Owe You" by Alex Andrews
"Floating" by JP Watson
"Floral" by John Ferritto
"Kayak Couple" by Bill Horstick
"Mountains Majesty" by Steve Ginn
"Peonies" by Ron Lindsay
"Tulip" by John Ferritto

**Open: (15)** 

"Black Oyster Catcher" by Ed Pinsky
"Blue Grossbeak" by Ed Pinsky
"Dancing Queen" by Ken MacGregor
"Flitting Pretty" by Janice Lindsay
"Long Billed Thrush" by Ed Pinsky
"Morning Garden" by Albert Huen
"Pink" by John Ferritto
"Reflecting" by Albert Huen
"Scene at Halvanes Iceland" by Chuck Zamites
"Scene at Kpkulsarlon" by Chuck Zamites
"Scene at Kelfoss" by Chuck Zamites
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"Scene at Kelfoss" by Lanice Lindsay
"Ta Da!" by Janice Lindsay
"You Got the Point" by Albert Huen
"Zoltar the Reflection" by Bill Horstick



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"Scene at Halvanes Iceland" by Chuck Zamites



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### Results of June 2023 Meeting - Critique & Judging



"Scene at Kpkulsarion " by Chuck Zamites



"Scene at Kelfoss" by Chuck Zamites



"Shady Conversation" by Janice Lindsay



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"You Got the Point" by Albert Huen



"Ta Da!" by Janice Lindsay



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## **Professional & Expert Support**

Below are some of the distinguished local expert photographers that have been gracious in providing their free time as judges, <u>on a repeating basis</u>, to attend and critique member's images at our recent Club meetings.

Thank you all for supporting our Club!

Dan Holmes (Award Winning Ventura Landscape Photography, Workshops, Tours, and Photo Adventures): http://www.danholmesphoto.com/Danholmesphoto.com/Workshops.html

Robert Fields (Fine Art Travel Photography - MS Degree Brooks Institute) http://www.robertfields.com

Donna Granata (Founder of "Focus on the Masters", ex-Brooks Institute Faculty) www.focusonthemasters.com/Donna Granata.html

Christopher Broughton (ex-Brooks Institute Faculty Instructor - Street Photography - and current Ventura College Photography Instructor) <a href="https://www.christopherbroughton.com/">https://www.christopherbroughton.com/</a>

Gary Moss Photography (Principal Photographer and <u>Photo Editor</u> of 805 Living Magazine) <a href="http://www.garymossphotography.com">http://www.garymossphotography.com</a>

Chris Zsarnay (Photographer in Ventura 33 years - local successful commercial studio - Brooks Institute Grad) <a href="http://www.zstudios.com">http://www.zstudios.com</a> choose Portfolios then Food, Product, etc. (805) 644-5554

Greg Cooper (ex-Ventura College Instructor & ex-Brooks Institute Faculty Instructor of Photojournalism) http://www.mediacooper.com

Pete Scifres (Published PSA Photographer - Night Astrophotography Specialist) https://psa-photo.org/index.php?peter-scifres-0218

Scott Miles "The Scientific Photographer" ex - Brooks Institute Faculty Instructor <a href="https://thescientificphotographer.com">https://thescientificphotographer.com</a>

Hutch Hutchison (Photographic Society of America POC and Judge) <a href="https://psa-photo.org/index.php?geo-hutchison-0717#ad-image-0">https://psa-photo.org/index.php?geo-hutchison-0717#ad-image-0</a>

Carl Volpe (Ventura County World Traveling Artist - Fine Art Photography) https://www.carlvolpephoto.com

John Grusd (Hollywood Animation Producer/ Director and Highly Awarded Still Photographer) https://www.johngrusdphoto.com/about/

Cynthia Bullard (Portrait Photographer and Commercial Studio Facility Owner in Ventura) https://www.cynthiabullardphotography.com



## Ventura County Camera Club:

<u>Our Mission</u>: To promote the art, science, technique, and enjoyment of fine art photography through sharing, education, cooperation, association, and fellowship.

#### Club Web Links:

General Info/President: 67billh@gmail.com





#### 2023 Club Officials

President:
Bill Horstick

Vice President
Janice Lindsay

**Treasurer**: Bruce Schoppe

**Secretary:** Evan Maidaa

#### **Committee Chairs:**

Judge Coordinator:
Bill Horstick

Membership Chair: Joyce Schoppe

Web Site Master and Facebook Administrator:

Evan Maidaa

**Newsletter Editor:** Ken MacGregor

Monthly Digital Image
Entries and Projection:
Susannah Kramer
Evan Maidaa (backup)

Albert Huen (backup)

Publicity, Year End Tech, and Room Setup: John Ferritto