

The View finder

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"Tanaya Lake"
by Sherwood Cherry



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September 2009 Events

Meeting/Competition

Where: Living Springs Worship Center
640 Manitou Blvd.
Colorado Springs, CO

When: 7:00 pm
Tuesday, September 1st, 2009

Competition Subject: *Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument* - Any image depicting a scene at the monument

Board Meeting

The members of the board will meet September 15th, 2009.

Travelogue/Workshop

Art Porter will reveal the secrets of present and past China.

Judging for the Fall scavenger hunt will be held after the travelogue.

September Fieldtrip

To be determined...

Any questions call 237-8728 or email streetroder @ netzero.net

President's Corner

Hummingbird Delight

In all my years of being a "bird nut" I have never seen so many hummingbirds. I'm trying to figure out why there are so many. I have a few theories. 1. This spring was a very wet one which produced a lot of flowers. 2. It must have been a good winter south of the border. 3. The flight up from the south must have been good, resulting in few fatalities. 4. I just don't know.

This is how it usually goes at my house. I put out a couple of feeders in spring and get a few broad-tails, then the Rufous shows up and takes over the area, chasing the broad-tails away from the feeder.

This happened as usual until about July, then there were about a hundred broad-tails and they were chasing the Rufous away. The poor Rufous male had no chance against so many broad-tails. This was something I had never seen before, it was fun to watch. Of course I set up camera and tripod and some flashes and attempted to photograph. If you have never photographed hummingbirds, let me tell you it is a challenge, but not impossible. After several attempts at trying to get 3 flashes to flash at 1/16th power I finely gave up and just started shooting with on camera flash at full or 1/2 power. This of course dose not stop wing action, but wing action is acceptable for hummingbirds because that's the way we see them.

If you have them I urge you to try to get some images of them before they head south. You can get some acceptable images with just on camera flash.

Here is how to do it. Go to a flower shop and buy some cone shaped flowers, (red, orange, etc is best) set up the flowers close to the feeders, set camera, tripod and focus in on the flowers. Remove the feeders and wait. Hummingbirds have an amazing memory. They will come back looking for the feeder and not finding it will start to feed on the flowers, where you are waiting to grab an image. Try to focus on the eye (harder than it sounds) The action will be fast and furious, but also very exciting. If you get one good image out of ten or twenty shots it is worth the effort. Good luck.

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Winners Gallery



"Trees in Mist"
Marjorie Card



"Soaptree Yucca in Environment"
Carol Meisenheimer

Winners Gallery



"Sakhalin Cathedral"

Art Porter



"Travertine Landscape"

Jim Van Namee

Digital Projection Competition thru August 2009

Entrants		Subject		Open		Total	
		Current	YTD	Current	YTD	Current	YTD
Card	Marjorie	19	35	18	32	37	67
Cellini	Beverly	16	110	14	104	30	214
Cherry	Sherwood	14	35	17	47	31	82
Deffeyes	Bob	0	30	0	28	0	58
Du Fresne	Bruce	13	114	17	124	30	238
Holm	Bill	17	114	15	100	32	214
James	Deb	0	34	0	32	0	66
Meisenheimer	Carol	0	0	18	124	18	124
Meisenheimer	David	0	0	19	116	19	124
Moldenhauer	Jerry	0	46	0	77	0	123
Porter	Art	0	12	19	80	19	92
Stanley	Bill	0	47	17	62	17	109
Starr	Tim	0	52	0	55	0	107
Steinhauer	Rita	14	41	15	38	29	79
Swanger	Spencer	0	65	0	94	0	159
Swanson	Al	0	80	14	110	14	190
Van Namee	Jim	0	33	20	78	20	111
Vignone	Jacqueline	0	13	0	16	0	29
Woodruff	T.W.	0	72	17	104	17	176

Subject: Flowering Trees	
Awards	Honorable Mention
Firework in Tree by Bill Holm	Orange Blossoms by Marjorie Card
Jacarundi Tree by Marjorie Card	Catkin by Beverly Cellini
Open	
Awards	Honorable Mention
Travertine Landscape by Jim Van Namee	Soaptree Yucca by Carol Meisenheimer
Storm Clouds Above Wind Farm by Marjorie Card	Tanaya Lake by Sherwood Cherry
Mother & Child Framed by David Meisenheimer	Shatalin Cathedral by Art Porter

Winners Gallery



"Fireworks in a Tree"
Bill Holm



"Variegated Leaves"
Marjorie Card



"Mother & Child Framed"
David Meisenheimer

2009 Competition Subjects

January

Curves - Image emphasizing one or more curves.

February

Shades of Gray - An image depicting shades of gray

March

Bovine - An image containing anything related to bovines (cows or oxen)

April

PSA/Spring Scavenger Hunt - Subjects on previous page - judging will take place on March 31st.

May

Walking the Dog - Image containing any scene related to walking a dog

June

Cute - Anything you deem as cute

July

Outhouses - Scene containing at least one outhouse

August

Flowering Trees - Scene containing any part of a flowering tree

September

Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument - Any image depicting a scene at the monument

October

Fall Scavenger Hunt - Subjects on previous page

November

At the Farmer's Market - An image containing anything relating to a farmer's market

December

Salon - Subjects to be announced later in the year

Winners Gallery



"Storm Clouds Above Wind Farm"
Marjorie Card



"Lemon Trumpets"
Sherwood Cherry

Print Competition thru August 2009

Entrant		Subject		Open		Total	
		Current Month	YTD	Current Month	YTD	Current Month	YTD
Card	Bob	8	8	7	7	15	15
Card	Marjorie	20	20	22	38	42	58
Cellini	Beverly	15	98	16	102	31	200
Cherry	Sherwood	0	0	0	16	0	16
Deffeyes	Bob	0	41	0	0	0	41
Ellis	Nancy	0	0	19	26	19	26
Lloyd	Bill	0	79	16	98	16	177
Meisenheimer	Carol	16	130	16	105	32	235
Meisenheimer	David	18	123	20	124	38	247
Saj	Andrew	19	57	16	64	35	121
Stanley	Bill	13	98	14	112	27	210
Starr	Tim	0	51	0	57	0	108
Steinhauer	Rita	15	109	15	101	30	210
Swanson	Al	0	22	16	97	16	119
Van Namee	Jim	0	48	22	93	22	141
Vignone	Jacqueline	15	92	15	89	30	181

Subject: Flowering Trees

Awards	Honorable Mention
Hanging on the Tree by Andrew Saj	Banana Tree Blossom by David Meisenheimer
Palo Verde Painting by Marjorie Card	Apple Blossom Cluster by Marjorie Card

Open	Honorable Mention
Snowy Overlook by David Meisenheimer	We Will Never Forget Them by Nancy Ellis
Dawn Patrol by Jim Van Namee	Three Lillies by Jim Van Namee
Trees in the Midst by Marjorie Card	Variegated Leaves by Marjorie Card

Slide Competition thru August 2009

Entrant		Subject		Open		Total	
		Current Month	YTD	Current Month	YTD	Current Month	YTD
Cellini	Beverly	15	99	14	110	29	209
de Naray	Andy	7	98	16	117	23	215
Meisenheimer	Carol	15	109	22	127	37	236
Meisenheimer	David	18	129	22	136	40	265
Moldenhauer	Jerry	0	63	0	82	0	145
Moldenhauer	Tom	0	66	15	99	15	165
Starr	Tim	0	39	0	46	0	85
Stewart	William	17	91	15	116	32	207
Swanger	Spencer	0	97	0	96	0	193
Woodruff	TW	0	12	0	14	0	26

Subject: Flowering Trees	
Awards	Honorable Mention
Sorry...not available at press time!	

Open	
Awards	Honorable Mention
Monument Valley Dunes by David Meisenheimer	Two on the Dunes by David Meisenheimer
Love Times Two by Carol Meisenheimer	A Perturbed Puma by Carol Meisenheimer

Winners Gallery



"Orange Blossoms"
Marjorie Card

"Paloverde Painting"
Marjorie Card



Winners Gallery



"Jacaranda Tree"
Marjorie Card

"Apple Blossom Cluster"
Marjorie Card



For Sale

Pentax ESII, excellent condition, with original camera case

50mm Pentax lens

28mm Vivitar lens

135mm pentax lens

400mm Bushnell 6.3 lens

Bushnell 2X tele converter

60mm mamiya/sekor macro lens

yashica 11mm,18mm and 36mm tube set

3 leather 35mm film cases, and a hard case to keep it all together.

Best offer takes it.

Contact Jerry Moldenhauer at streetroder@netzero.net or at one of the meetings.

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