

Group	Title	Score	Comments
Creative Group A			
6	Yee Haw	1st	creative, clever & complex
1	A Post Coital Smoke	2nd	creative title and idea
3	Other Worlds		very subtle but effective
2	Bodie		nice use of filters
5	Sierra Water fall		nice use of filters
4	Poppies with halo's		nice idea
Creative Group AA			
6	Magical Bird	1st	very effective & creative idea
2	Beauty of the Past	2nd	nice use of filter
3	Explosions in the Sky		creative idea
4	Moon ink		nice image
5	Nature's Color Palette		nice use of filters
1	Above clouds		nice image
Group			
Nature Group A			
12	grey heron wrestling an eel	1st	impeccable timing
6	Black crowned night herons with chick	2nd	beautiful
3	Ashey headed goose with chicks	3rd	composition, timing, lighting, wonderful

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9	Devil Mantis nymph eating	HM	nice closeup
21	Thermal Crust	HM	lighting is perfect
17	Painted Lady	HM	nice, fast shutter
16	Iris Douglasiana		great light, composition
8	Dessert Mariposa Lily		great color
5	Big Laughing gym...		nice lighting
2	Angry goose		timing is everything here
20	Pregnant Cow Moose		great catch
13	guanaco nursing calf		great timing
4	Beach primrose		nice color
7	common garter snake		tongue makes this image
11	Elephant seal with pup		nice composition
14	Harbor Seal w/pup		nice eyes, lighting
10	Douglas iris (#10)		lighting, composition well done
15	Humpback Whale Breaching		nice timing
18	Pair of Clarke's Grebes		nice timing
19	Portrait of Lupinus		nice lighting
1	Wildflowers in Glacial...		Sharp, nicely positioned
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8	Fresh Crab for Lunch	1st	sharp, great story
1	Butterfly stroke	2nd	waiting for the perfect moment worked beautifully
3	California poppy w/honey bee	3rd	waiting for the perfect moment and keeping everything in focus...great
13	Preparation for Winter	HM	Timing was everything

10	Hyalaphora....	HM	great shutter speed
7	Flower Spider	HM	great seeing and timing
14	Prepare for Landing		needed catch lite in eyes
12	No Trespassing		nice compositiion
18	Sunning Harbor Seal		nice catch, prefer to see eye/face
6	First Spring		needed catch lite in eyes
11	Mating Dance of		little soft for my taste but great idea and title
9	Fuschia-flowered....		leaves are sharper than the subject title
5	Fairy Lantern		nice seeing
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Nature Group AA (cont'd)			
19	Jelly Fish Race		nice catch in difficult lighting
4	Cotton Top		could use more contrast between flower color and mtn color
2	California poppies by the sea		would have preferred a focal point to rest the eye
15	Seaside Daisy		nice leading lines, sharp
16	Shark & Sardine		nice composition
17	Sky Lupine		would prefer more focus on the lupien since this is the title
Pictorial Group A			

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19	Two Lilies in a Pond	1st	perfect composition & lighting
3	Bodie Windless	2nd	in tight ... excellent
5	The Exit	3rd	great depth of field and colors
7	Masked Bandit	HM	good eye contact
10	Westin Beach	HM	getting down low along with the distant sunset makes this image
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Pictorial Group A (cont'd)			
16	Path to Good Fishing	HM	getting down low and including the boats completes the pictorial story
17	Pelican Landing		Could this have been in nature
2	Done		Title perfectly reflects the pictorial story
18	River Grasses		Lovely use of water and flowing grasses
9	Aptos Creek in the Rain		nice leading log and completing the story with the distant waterfall
15	Mission San Juan		lovely leading line and use of light
11	Winter in Lamar Valley		weeds in foreground are very effective in leading into the scene

13	Fall Colors		water is nice leading line
14	Fractured Rock		nice time of day for capturing this shot
12	Black and White		great use of blacks
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Pictorial Group A (cont'd)			
1	Soberanes Wave		nice use of slow shutter speed
4	Shoreline		nice use of path as leading line
6	Fallen Bristlecone		nice color range
8	Antelope Canyon		nice low view
Pictorial Group AA			
2	Badwater Sunset	1st	getting down very, very low at the most excellent time of day...wonderful
15	John Lennon Memorial	2nd	This needs no words...just incredible
3	Beach Vacation	3rd	who doesn't want to be here?
4	Looking Good	HM	composition, light, excellent
11	Boathouse	HM	time of date, reflections, title – wonderful
6	Stories Untold	HM	I came back to this time and time again. The title so tells the story

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13	Golden Gate		great shutter speed, getting down low and time of day make this image
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14	Ice Chunk ...		the time of day makes this rock almost levitate.
12	DC Metro		red buttons make a great leading line
21	Yosemite in Winter		great light
9	Wild Maple		interesting composition
8	Leading Lines		nice image that matches the title
7	The Skate		would prefer rollers to completely be in image
10	Garapata Beach		for me, the rock on the left is distracting
16	Skiff		getting down lower with some cropping might provide more impact
17	Up the Spiral Staircase		this is a tough image to take...
18	Upskirt		perhaps getting down lower or up higher
19	View from the Front Seat		excellent seeing
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20	Washington Bridge		nice composition

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1	Magic Color Cascade		could have been in creative?
5	Soberanes Sunset		nice foreground, nice and low, perhaps less sky?
Travel Group A			
5	Sawyer Glacier	1st	great light, composition, capture
2	Horsetail Falls	2nd	Great timing, composition and lighting
3	House on Fire.....		great light and composition,
4	Pigeon Point Lighthouse		would prefer less merger between the lighthouse buildings and the fence
6	Voices of Liberty		backs of the people in the foregrounds seems distracting.
7	Shadows of people		would prefer people to be a larger portion of the image
1	Foggy Night on the Queen Mary		Image is too dark for me
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Travel Group AA			
5	Seattles Space Needle	1st	Excellent story, composition, lighting
4	Santorinie, Greek Church	2nd	Great whites, composition, story, lighting

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1	Capitola Vacation		Nice composition & lighting
2	Lake Oroville		Lovely light
7	While Vineyards Sleep		the image needs more light in order to bring out texture and detail
3	Rainy Walk.....		would prefer the faces to be clearly seen
6	Traveling along the rainy coast		The time of day does not lend itself to this image.
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Photojournalism Group A			
3	Mika Kallio Goes...	1st	Excellent action story
4	The Sweet Pup	2nd	The hand and paw have immediate impact
5	Tora, Tora, Tora		powerful story. This was very hard to decide
6	War Protest at		very good pj
2	Eager Youngster...		would prefer the foreground figure not have their back to us...
1	A daughters Tears		nice idea and message
Photojournalism Group AA			
3	Hurricane Irene....	1st	excellent pj story
4	I've Been Good....	2nd	Sharp, great pj story

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5	Love found....		prefer more emphasis on the couple
6	Unloading the Catch		I kept looking for the action of unloading
1	Catastrophic Road Collapse...		less of the black areas would make this a great story
2	Cowboy Life		prefer more emphasis on the cowboy