

Group A A - Comments

01. 18th Hole at Spanish Bay with Bagpiper - Pebble Beach, CA --First thought ... this is St. Andrew's. Actually I like the multi-national inclusion and the sky does give it a Scottish look. I do miss the feet of the piper.
02. beach flotsam mystery a- But a pretty arrangement. Well exposed and composed, but ...creative?
03. Calaveras Big Trees State Park - Arnold, CA - Those trees are magnificent, but the keystone effect really bothers me.
04. Calla Lilies at Goud Creek - Notley's Landing, CA - One of the prettiest images of the lot. Very nice composition, great point of view, and very good exposure. Can I award 4 HM's?
05. circling the drain - I am confused by the title & the image. Not certain what it is ... or how it is. Nice colors, but then what?
06. Crayola Rain - Again confusion the colors ruin the portrait or the portrait ruins the colors.
07. Flat Rock with Foamy Sauce - Beautiful. All of it. The abstraction is well controlled and the result is an image that is both creative and enjoyable.
08. Having a great feather day - I love the subtleties in the feathers and head. Nicely controlled.
09. I'm coming for you - This is terrific except for the awkward large wave. Maybe that is the point, but the proportions seem strange.
10. jellies - The shapes of the jellies and their alignment with the wavy lines in the water are interesting, but fall short of piquing my "creative" interest. Perhaps cropping it differently?
11. Long Red Alfa - The camera/lens perspective nicely enhance the lines of that classic car. I would like to see more isolation of the car from other distractions & reflections.
12. Nicole - Lovely and easy to view and appreciate. I would encourage more work on the image ... perhaps lighten some of the foliage on the face and allow more space to the right.
13. Ocean Ave at night - Dynamic use of lens and light, but the image does not reveal much. The yellow light draws one into the image, but to what?
14. Passing Through - Too many detractors from the ship ... signs, cars, etc. I'd try to find a way to eliminate them. Nice light and the vignetting is good.
15. Pt Pinos Postcard - I like the point of view and the composition, but would like to see a flag on the flagpole, eliminate the red chimneys, and don't let the lightning rod extend off the paper.

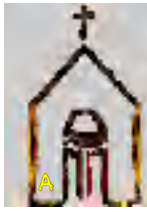


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16. Rooftops of Paris - Ah, the City of Light. A nice point of view, but the foreground really cuts the scene. Why not just crop it out? ...and make certain verticle edges/buildings are verticle. Other than the PoV, I don't see much "creativity".
17. Sea Gull Art 2 - Without getting too scatological, there is a lot to like about this image. Well composed, good color, nice format ... but creative?
18. Soberanes - As stated before, this image is lovely and I can not think of anything I could suggest to add or substract. Well done!
19. Spinning Pinwheel - I like the subtle incorporatin of the flower to the pinwheel.
20. Splash - A nice abstraction of colors and shapes. Perhaps this could serve as a background for a portrait or ...?
21. Teeing off on 18th at Spanish Bay - Pebble Beach, CA - The sky is most compelling and the greens are a nice contrast. The golpher adds a nice dimension and scale.
22. The Old Lady Looks Good in a Skirt - True! A very good looking skirt. But, I wish the "people" reflections were gone! There are few things harder to photograph than glossy metal. ...espeacilly when in the field and one can not control all the variables. I like the "starlight" highlight above the Rolls name.



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Flat Rock with Foamy Sauce

The abstract qualities of the water lend a feeling of natural beauty and a presence of the moment. Technical expertise is wonderfully executed and transparent.



Nicole

A woodland nymph captured in her natural beauty. Nicely blended, but it may have benefitted with a bit more space to the right. All-in-all, a pleasant image to observe.



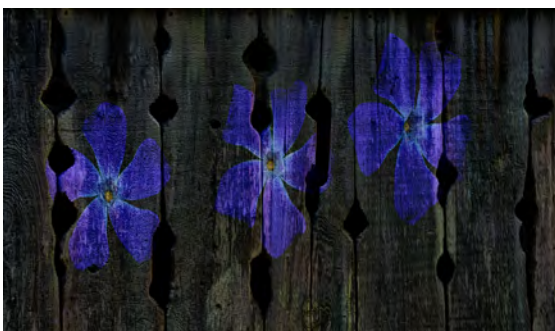
Having a great feather day

Delightfully subtle with the feathers. Nicely cropped and enhanced. Good color contrast and scale. A "living" sculpture?



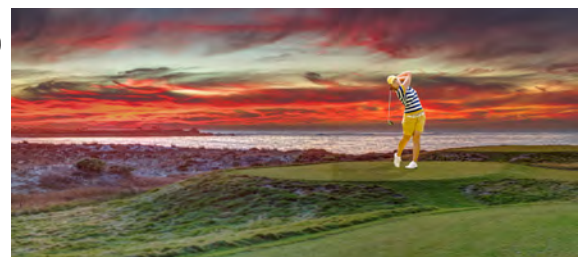
Spinning PinWheel

Nice placement of the flower and a good use of color and composition.



Soberanes

The harmony of colors, shapes and texture is most appealing. I had to learn a bit more about Sobranes.



**Teeing off on 18th at
Spanish Bay - Pebble Beach**

The surreal sky with the greens and the golfer offer a pleasing image.