

**PTCC – Creative Competition
Group AAA**

01. Blue Wall.jpg

Very clever composition, the blue wall goes really well with the jellyfish and their blue habitat. The masking has been handled very well. I do think I would have cloned out the piece of metal at the lower right with wall.

02. Caden Does a Canonball.jpg

Good idea and the various placements of the boy works well. It appears that three of the images were cut out and merged with the one with him in the water. Don't know why you didn't just mask out the overlap portions and not do the cutout unless it was handheld and they didn't line up exactly.

03. Cuban Taxi.jpg

Striking image and the portion of the car goes really well with the background. I have heard some discussion that would say this is not a creative image, but I believe that it is creatively seeing and you don't have to do things on the computer to have a creative image. Nice image.

04. F15 Strike Eagle Leaves Sound Behind.jpg

Good capture getting the plane as it breaks the sound barrier. I like the color on the front part of the plane and monochrome in the part breaking the barrier. I might have cropped a little tighter and that would have enlarged the plane somewhat.

05. Fire station.jpg

I think you have a nice strong image but I do not get the feeling of creativity. I also think I would have increased the saturation a little.

06. Fun on Monterey Bay.jpg

Interesting technique on the image and I think the framing works well. I do feel like the boat in the upper right, although very colorful, isn't really adding to the image and causes a large blank area in the upper left. I probably would have just had the three lower boats in the image.

07. Giant Blue Jelly.jpg

Not sure what technique you used but the result is very striking. It almost looks like a mirror image but not really. The electric blues go very well with the dark background.

08. Green Hornet Biker.jpg

The radial blur works really well and makes it look like the rider is really riding out of the screen. I would have preferred not to have him so centered and even though he would be riding out of the image I would have cropped about half of the right side.

09. I B Psychedelic.jpg

Some images kind of defy classification. This image is abstract to the extreme both in color and form. I assume that you used some sort of kaleidoscope action or program to create the image although you could have done it yourself.

10. I'm Quilt-ting!!.jpg

Good job. The pieces of the image were put together very well and sometimes we get so wrapped up in our hobbies that it does feel like it is sucking us in. Only one minor comment, I think the front of the machine could use a little more light.

11. In the Runners Zone.jpg

Nice technique, the runner stand out well from the background. I do think I would prefer if she wasn't quite so centered and would have liked to see all of her right foot.

12. Journey of a Planet.jpg

I have no idea what you did to create this image but the effect is nice. I do get a little lost with so many spheres/bubbles so I might have cropped it down to just the center third of the image.

13. Little Johnny Training Charlie for Agililty Competition.jpg

Nice job putting this image together. The dog and most of the boy looks like they could have been in this location. Two things I would have done a little differently. There are some green grass/weeds on the boys pant leg so it doesn't look natural, I would have had that part covered by the bottom of the frame. Also the line of the horizon looks too sharp, it would look more natural if there were just a slight blur at the horizon.

14. little red shack.jpg

I like your image and the window being centered doesn't bother me. I don't get the feeling of creative with the image but the image is good other than that.

15. OMG - What a Tomato .jpg

Nature did a little creativity on this tomato and you photographed it well. Your presentation with the black background and the thin white frame works well. The lighting of the tomato is good as well as the exposure.

16. Phalaenopsis I.jpg
Very creative selective focus image. I think the portion of the flower that you have chosen to have sharp and soft makes for a very pleasing image.
17. Phalaenopsis II.jpg
Again a very creative selective focus image. The delicate curve of the sharp portion keeps you right in the image.
18. Raindrops On Feather.jpg
Another case where creativity comes from how you see and photograph an image not how it is manipulated in the computer. Very good seeing and nice macro shot. I probably would have shot it where the main vein of the feather was on more of a diagonal.
19. Space Magazine Cover.jpg
Good idea and the placement of everything works well. Either the background of the girl on the rocket should have been blacker or the overall background should have been more of a dark blue so they would have merged together better.
20. The Hand of Man in Nature.jpg
Excellent merging of the hands and the tree Not knowing the colors that the hands and tree was, I think the monochrome probably works better that if it were in color. Not sure the one leaf left colored adds anything.
21. The Horse Spirit.jpg
I am having a hard reading this image. I do see the horses head and maybe another on in the colored portion, but find the image a bit confusing.
22. The Past Is Never Past.jpg
Good merger of the various elements in the image. I do like the faint repetition of the face on the left. I think I would have cloned out the dark lower left corner, it seems out of place.
23. Top of Golf Swing.jpg
Nice radial blur effect it really adds to the sense of motion. I like that you have removed the blur from the upper body, face, and club but think you should have left it completely on the tree.
24. Where do we go from here.jpg
Interesting composition. Most of the elements go well together although the space portion looks more like a window reflection rather than space, but then who know what space looks like in this part of the universe.

Winners:

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