



01 - A tricolored Blackbird screeches from its cattail perch.jpg

Jerry Gifford

hahaha, This reminds of the banana taped to the wall artwork at last year's Miami Basel Art Fair. if you don't know what I'm talking about, watch this: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OQ_flALWqpU&ab_channel=NBCNews

I don't have to like it to recognize the power it has to generate buzz and interest. Fine art is more emotional than factual and this image has the power to generate emotions, be it negative or positive.



02 - Christmas Eve sunset lights Moss Landing harbor.jpg

Jerry Gifford

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03 - Cozy Hideaway.jpg

Carol Silveira

Nice hideaway. I would love to sit on that couch to read a book or to take someone's portrait against natural light from the window. A nice corner indeed.



04 - Elegant Pathway.jpg

Carol Silveira

There is a lot to look at, angles, perspectives, ornate handrails, arcs, texture, lighting. Despite being so static, it is definitely not boring.



05 - Grebe Floats With Clouds.jpg

Christina Parsons

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06 - Lines & Textures #3.jpg

Brooks Leffler

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07 - Memory.jpg

Ken Jones

Nice attempt at creating an artistic image by layering textures. The final result is not particularly interesting, I'm sorry to say. It would be more interesting to make it like the bird was printed or transferred into the leaf. Maybe you could try that without photoshop.

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08 - Mexican Flower.jpg

Dick Light

The flower is out of focus and the background has some distracting elements. You could try to move more and find more interesting angles.

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09 - Neowise Comet.jpg

Dick Light

Points for capturing the comet but the overall image is not very interesting. Maybe darker sky and bigger comet?

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10 - Peace.jpg

Ken Jones

Nice B&W and good composition. It feels like time came to a standstill.

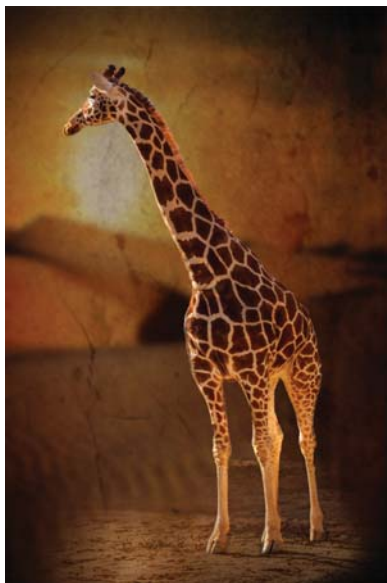
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11 - Power Take Off.jpg

Charlie Gibson

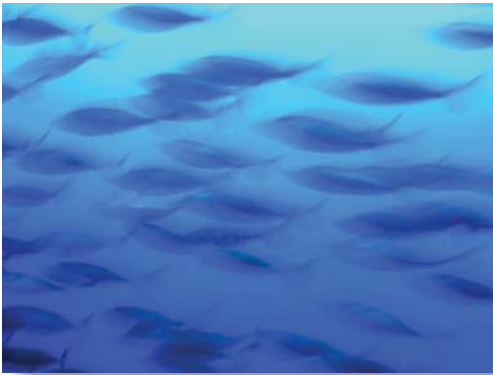
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12 - Proof that God has a sense of humor.jpg

Dale Thies

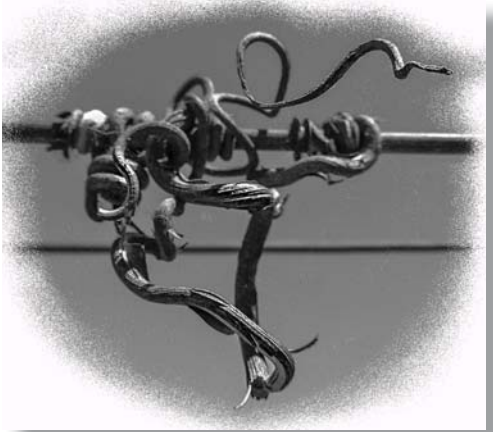
Beautiful animal portrait. The warm tone helps emphasize the beauty of the animal.



13 - Sardines.jpg

Jerry Heisel

Kudos for accomplishing a painterly look in camera. It is a very nice abstract and reminds me of the richness of life. it is important that we preserve that. I could watch them all day.



14 - Snaky Grapevine.jpg

Brooks Leffler

I believe this is one of those situations where it pays to move around to find better and more interesting composition. The snowy effect doesn't seem to match the image.

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15 - Steel, Concrete, Light.jpg

Jerry Heisel

Nice abstract and beautiful color palette. There is too much foreground, try a few crops.



16 - Still life 5.jpg

John Drum

The flower arrangement looks nice but it looks like it was wasted into the scene. Its vibrance does not match the rest of the scene.

That out of focus object in the foreground is too big and too distracting.

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17 - The joy of spring blooms.jpg

Margret Cordts

Beautiful flower portrait with nice subdued colors.



18 - Traveler in Fog.jpg

Christina Parsons

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19 - Tulips on red, with dried grass lines.JPG

Margret Cordts

Beautiful work, vibrant colors and full of energy. That bright branch is a little distracting though.



20 - Vermillion Flycatcher.jpg

John Drum

Nice bird portrait with a beautiful color palette.



21 - What lions daydream about.jpg

Dale Thies

I love the expression on the lion's face. You would have a stronger image if you focused on him alone.

Winning Images:

Honorable Mentions:

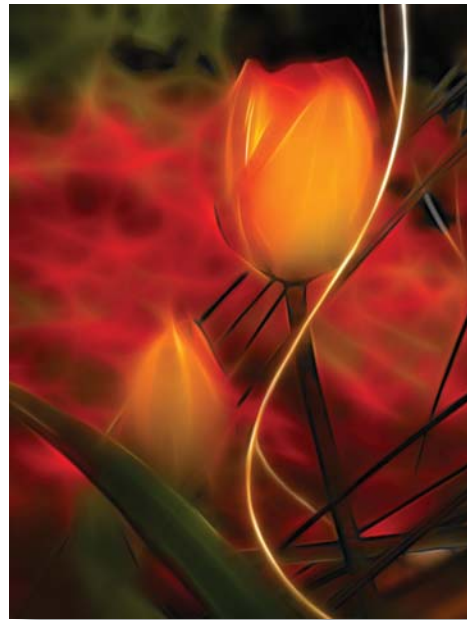
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screeches from its cattail perch**

Gerald Gifford



Third Place:

A tulips on red, with dried grass lines
Margret Cordts



2nd Place:

Elegant Pathway
Carol Silveira



First Place:

Sardines
Jerry Heisel

