
APRIL 2021

CARSON VALLEY PHOTO CLUB



Photo by Don Swezey

COVID-19 EDITION

Meetings: The Carson Valley Photo Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month.

Our next meeting, on Zoom:

Tuesday, May 11, at 6:30pm

Location: Via Zoom

Hopefully back in person in August!

**APRIL PHOTO CONTEST THEME
“LIGHT OF THE SPRING SEASON ”**



**FIRST PLACE
THE LIGHT OF THE MORNING SUN**

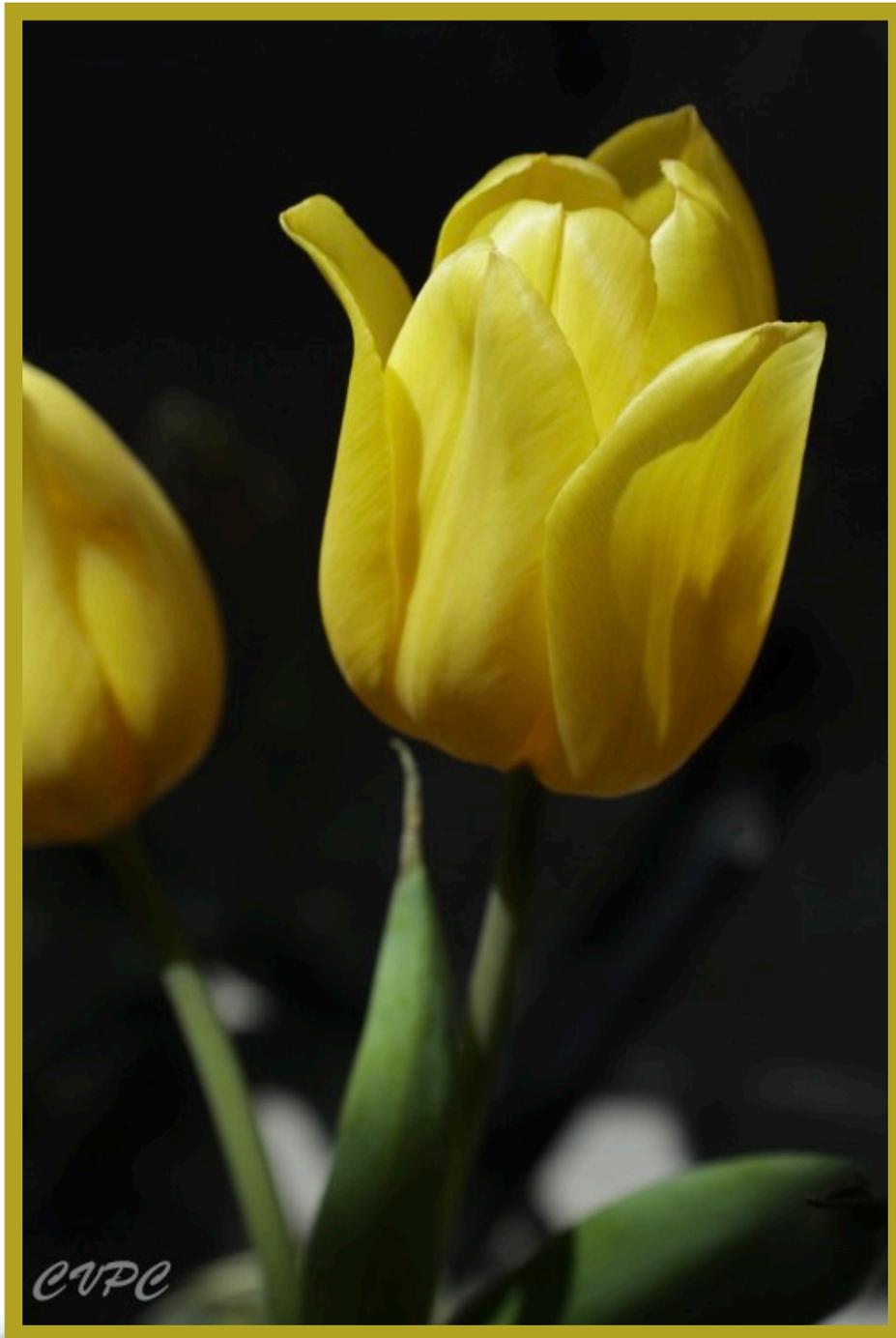
Photographer — Jim Mitchell



SECOND PLACE

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Photographer — Kim Steed



**THIRD PLACE
TULIP PETALS
Photographer - Sandra Silva**

PAST EVENTS

On April 3, Sandy Jonkey led the group on a barn tour. Lots of wonderful photos were taken (including Don's on the top of the newsletter). You can view photos at: <https://www.carsonvalleyphotoclub.org/barns-of-cv>

And if you haven't yet submitted your barn photos, you can do so at: <https://www.dropbox.com/request/T4AqVYQfDIDrJau8nE81>

And on April 18, it was off to Fish Springs to see our wild horses. Amazing group of photographers had a suitably amazing time! Again, please download your pics into the website.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Field Trip

On Saturday, May 15, we are planning to see the birds at Stillwater NWR and Carson Lake. The plan is to meet at the Fallon Walmart (2333 Reno Highway) at 7:30am and then head to the sites. Carpool opportunities will be available. And afterwards perhaps a tour of Frey Ranch Distillery. And bring bug spray.

Summer Picnic

Since we will probably not have our meetings in person til August, we thought a summer picnic may be a good way to get together before then. Details to follow.

Networking with Other Clubs

Susie networked with a club in Florida that has 50 clubs within their groups and they meet on Zoom monthly. In case you missed it, Art Silverglate presented a great lecture at our April meeting. On May 11th, Art will discuss “The Psychology of Composition” and he will also judge our photos that night.

Judging: The night we have Art judge our photos (May meeting), members may submit any 2 photos to be professionally judged. The 2 photos can be either “your best” and/or the May theme, “Balance or Asymmetry in the Environment”.

Some criteria that Art looks for in judging: Too much clutter in a photo, highlights, how sharp an image is, the whites and blacks in a photo, detail, how did you crop your photo and so on.

June 8th we will have a sharing session on Zoom with the FL club members and exchange and show each clubs photos for fun and learning.

PHOTO CONTEST FOR MAY
BALANCE OR ASYMMETRY IN THE ENVIRONMENT
DUE MAY 4

We'd like to show Art a wide selection of photos from many of our members, so please limit your submittals to 2. Again, either/or the May theme or your "best" photo.

A little info on Asymmetry,

Asymmetry refers to a lack of symmetry, or balance, in the photograph. In an asymmetrical photograph, if the photograph were to be sliced in half, neither side would be symmetrical.

Asymmetry in photography can be a very beautiful and eye-catching technique. It can create a very thought-provoking piece of art that awakens the eye due to its imperfect balance and startles the imagination into overdrive. The human eye, when viewing art, expects to see perfection; when it is greeted instead with asymmetry, it reacts in a very emotional way. When used effectively, asymmetrical photography can be very interesting to view.

Asymmetry is a technique that falls under the umbrella of photographic composition, which is defined as the aesthetically pleasing arrangement of subject matter. In an asymmetrical photograph, the subject of interest may be placed off to the left or right of the photograph rather than in the center as might be expected. Think the rule of thirds, but be creative!

Asymmetry is the opposite of symmetry, which often places the subject of interest in the center. Symmetrical photographs may also leave empty space in the center and place two symmetrical subjects of interest on either side of the photograph. In asymmetrical photography, these rules are inverted or even occasionally subverted.

Contest images can be submitted via the club website – carsonvalleyphotoclub.org/Photo-Contests and click “Members may click here....”

If you have any questions about submitting your contest photos on the website, contact Sandy at brokenspur22@gmail.com or phone 775-781-6364 to get your questions answered.

Photo Deadline: Midnight Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Contest Themes for the Rest of the Year

June - The Drama of Daily Life - Home Life, Ranch Life, Work Life, Chance Encounters - Due June 1

July - Short Exposure Time - Animals, Birds, Sports, Things in Motion - Due July 6

Aug - Long Exposure Time – Clouds, Water, Lights, Fireworks, Stars - Due Aug 3

Sept - Architecture from Cityscapes to Ghost Towns - Due Sept 7

Oct - The World in Monochrome or Sepia - Due Oct 5

Nov - HDR (Kodachrome color), Panoramics and Fall Aspen Landscapes - Due Nov 2

Dec - Best Pic - Bring Matted Print to Dec Meeting - Due Dec 7

Jan 2022 - Hometown Holiday & Holiday Lights - Due Jan 4