**June 15, 2022 – Carson Valley Photo Club Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees**

Susie Roaldson

NJ Thompson

Sandy Jonkey

Sandra Silva

Nancy Hulsey

Robin Grueninger

Barb Mower

Dave Arstein

Joe Clements

Sandra Branton

Donald Swezey

**Barn Photo Update**

Barn photos will be shown as a slide show at the museum on Saturday, June 18. Sandy and N.J. will be talking to new barn owners.

**Carson Valley Arts Council Copeland Gallery – CVPC Exhibit**

The Carson Valley Arts Council invited the Carson Valley Photo Club to exhibit our photography from August 1, 2022, through September 30, 2022, at the Copeland Gallery. The gallery is located at 1572 US HWY 395, Minden NV. (This is the curved roof building next to Coffee on Main.)

The Basics

* Participants: Any CVPC Member is invited to hang images
* Hang Date: August 1, 2022
* Take Down Date: September 30, 2022
* Artist Reception at the gallery on August 6 or 13th  (Date to be determined)
* Gallery will provide publicity
* Theme: None – However images that depict the fauna, flora, and beauty of the Eastern Sierra, Northern Nevada, and Tahoe regions are more likely to sell
* All photos are “For Sale”
* Gallery Percentage of Sales: 25%
* Gallery will pay the photographer directly for any sales
* Buyer of any work can take it at the time of purchase
* Approximate Number of Images that can be displayed: 64
* Maximum Image Width: 20 inches framed/canvas gallery wrap (due to gallery grid size)
* There is room for “bin art” (matted and unframed pieces) and cards
* Participants will provide a short bio, titles and prices of the exhibited work
* Kim Hunter Steed will curate the exhibit for the CVPC and develop a brochure that includes the CVPC artist bios.

Details will follow in email and be posted on the CVPC website: carsonvalleyphotoclub.org.

A copy of the gallery agreement is included in the minutes.

If you’ve ever wanted to display your work in a gallery, this is a great opportunity to do so. You’ve got plenty of support from experienced club members to assist you in choosing images, directing you to local printers and framers, and in preparing a short artist biography.

**June Photo Contest – Macro View of Succulents or Other Plants**

Susie did some reading on judging photos. Learned that it boils down to light, subject and the composition (shapes the viewers experience of the artwork).

**Judge:** Susie Roaldson

**Judging Comments:**

#1 Star Succulent – Like the impact of this. Includes a lot of foreground. May need a little less light. Might be a little blurry. Love colors. Leading lines to back of print. Good depth of field. Nice picture.

#2 Sierraruby Lily – out of focus, good light, good depth of field. Green background pretty. Simplicity. Uses rule of thirds well.

#3 Cactus Pollinator – this is beautiful, calm, smooth, evokes emotion, good lighting, love the colors. Like the light pink cactus in background. Fills the frame well, good contrast, especially with bee in flower, eye catching.

#4 Succulents – Sticks with the subject, good lighting, strong subject in foreground, uses rule of 1/3.

#5 Salvia – Beautiful, good light, good subject, good composition, provokes emotion of beauty. Good negative space. Sees some spots in background. Catchy and dynamic photo.

#6 Snowplants – Really pretty. Lighting and subject are good. Powerful, gives a “wow”. Good texture, contrast, depth of field. Intense color. Really nice.

#7 Irish Rose – Spoke to me. Excellent lighting, good subject, lighting, symmetry, great depth of field. Leading lines up to red on succulents. Good use of balance, contrast and motion. Really nice picture.

#8 Sulcorebutia arenacea – Good lighting, don’t know whether to look at light or dark. Creates motion, lot of unity, fills frame. Causes visual tension to figure out what’s going on.

#9 Spring Rain – Really like, simple, good lighting, great composition, calm and smoothing, eye catching, water droplets add texture, quietly dramatic. Love black and white on this.

#10 Succulents Galore – Good lighting, red and orange stand out on bottom. Has a lot of texture, leading lines go from bottom to way up. Great depth of field. There is a lot of pattern.

#11 Open for Beesnus – Beautiful, love the lighting, color good, rule of thirds. Love the proportion of it, catchy, dynamic and powerful.

#12 Purple Tipped Succulent – Really pretty, great lighting, dramatic, colorful, good structure and balance, very eye catching.

First Place: #9 Spring Rain – Sandra Branton

Second Place: #3 Cactus Pollinator – Sandy Jonkey

Third Place: #7 Irish Rose – Sandy Jonkey

Honorable Mentions:

#11 Open for Beesnus – Sandra Silva

#12 Purple Tipped Succulent – Nenita Wasserman

Winners:

1. Please send a NON-watermarked full resolution jpg to Nancy Hulsey (nancyhulseyphoto@aol.com).
2. Bring an 8"x10" or 8"x12" printed photo of your winning image (which 300 dpi is best to print from) to Robin Grueninger at Marty’s Appliance. NJ will hang at library.

**Contest Reminders:**

Be careful of your photo being too large. Website can only take up to 25mb which is pretty large. Also, you need to properly name your shot before you upload it into dropbox.

Remember we have a deadline for the photos, midnight of the Tuesday a week before the meeting.

Thanks to those for participating!

**Next month’s contest (July) is “Look Up, Way Up!” due July 5:**
A high percentage of the time we tend to look straight ahead, at our own eye level. Let’s change it up a little, change your perspective and aim your lens upward on objects that are right in front of you.