



Robson Ranch
Photo Club

PHOTOGRAM

Monthly Newsletter of the Robson Ranch Photo Club

February 2022

Robson Ranch Photo Club meets the 3rd Monday of each Month, 7:00 PM
Check <http://rrphotoclub.org> for more information

Image of the Year

Basic: **Steve Simpson**

"Key West Sunrise Mirrored"

Advanced: **Ray Davis**

"Deco Power"

Master and "**Best of Show**" **Rhonda Pummill**

"Across Rio Grande We Go"

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Photographer of the Year

"Photographer of the Year" in the **Masters** category is **Rhonda Pummill**.

"Photographer of the Year" in the **Advanced** category is **Betty Alvarado**

CONGRATULATIONS TO RHONDA & BETTY

Important Announcements

Our **February 21st** program will be a slideshow of member submitted images, no judging involved, and no competition. **Please** submit your favorite image for the slideshow. Email your image to Dick at r.remski@mygrande.net. When your image comes up on the screen, tell us why the image is your favorite of the year and why you took it. This is an audience participation event So please search your files and send your pix to Dick Remski!!!

February 9th Workshop

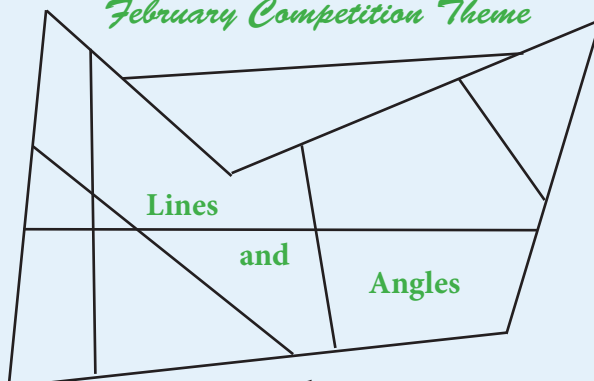
Learn how to participate in, "Monthly Competitions." Topics include, how to enter your image, image size, naming your image, competition themes, and about the external judging in association with the Photographic Society of America. Also, how, "Image of the Year" and "Photographer of the Year" are determined.

February 22nd Workshop

Learn the secret to, "Long Exposure Photography." This is a video presentation by Hudson Henry.



February Competition Theme





Best of Show
“Across Rio Grande We Go”
 and
“Image of the Year”
 Mater Category
Rhonda Pummill

“Image of the Year”
“Deco Power”
 Advanced Category
Ray Davis



“Image of the Year”
“Key West Sunrise Mirrored”
 Basic Category
Steve Simpson

Featured Member of the Month



If you were at the Awards Meeting on January 17th, you saw Rhonda receive the award for Photographer of the Year in the Master Division, plus awards in the Master Division Image of the Year, AND overall Image of the Year for 2021. We all recognize that Rhoda has a very perceptive eye in capturing her images, and she makes them even better when she goes to her “happy place”, Lightroom and PhotoShop, for post processing.

“I use a Sony a7Riii mirrorless camera, full frame and 42 megapixels. My favorite walk-around lens is a 24-240 mm zoom, and I also use a 100-400 mm telephoto when I want to reach out ... and I can carry it where I’m going! Another lens I like is a 24-70 mm. For post-processing, I catalog my photos and do some adjustments in Lightroom, but when I get creative, I like to work in PhotoShop.”

Rhonda commented that she typically shoots in manual, unless she’s in a hurry, driven by a travel schedule, then she uses Auto to capture the image and then fixes it up in post. Her main concern is to capture the moment as good as possible, then “into PhotoShop I go!”.

Rhonda was born and grew up in Muleshoe, Texas, on a farm, where she learned to enjoy and appreciate nature. After graduating from New Mexico State, she began her teaching (and coaching) career in Muleshoe, and, most importantly, met and married her husband, Dr Charlie Pummill. They raised four children, and she also ran a flower shop which got the creative juices flowing in another direction. After taking art classes, jewelry making, color and composition, they were then stationed in Bitburg, Germany where Charlie was assigned by the USAF. Then her photography took off! Lots of additional courses and much additional travel brought them eventually to Robson Ranch in retirement.

Rhonda says this about the RR PhotoClub: “I have learned so much from participating in the club monthly competitions! It’s not about placing in the contest, but about learning from the comments from the judges about my work, both good and bad comments! If you are willing to have others look at your work, you will learn as well.”

Competition Schedule

MONTH	DUE DATE	THEME	EARLIEST IMAGE DATE	THEME GUIDANCE
January	1/22/22	Open Best of 2021	1/1/21	An image not entered in a 2021 contest
February	2/26/22	Lines and Angles	2/1/21	Geometry at its Best
March	3/26/22	Open	3/1/21	Any Subject
April	4/23/22	Repetition	4/1/21	More of something is better
May	5/21/22	Open	5/1/21	Any Subject
June	6/25/22	Action on a Street	6/1/21	An Activity on a Street
July	7/23/22	Open	7/1/21	Any Subject
August	8/20/22	Sports/Games	8/1/21	An image that conveys the essence of the activity
September	9/24/22	Open	9/1/21	Any Subject
October	10/22/22	Simple Pleasures	10/1/21	What make you Happy
November	11/26/22	Open	11/1/21	Any Subject
December		No Contest		