



February 2025



24 February 2025

Presentation:
"Post-Processing: Flat to Flourish"

Ansa du Toit

Ansa du Toit grew up in South Africa, and is residing in Orlando, Florida, with her husband and two children. Originally inspired by her father's enthusiasm for photography, she now enjoys making creative portraits, working with high school seniors, headshots, and families. She also has a passion for fine art images which include landscapes, abstracts, macro, and amazing high-speed water drop photography.

Her work has been exhibited at Crealdè School of Art, Osceola Arts, the Winter Garden Art Gallery, Highlands Art Gallery, Oakland Heritage Center, and a show titled 'Composing with Color' in Paris.

She is a certified Florida Camera Club Council (F3C) judge and has taught high school photography.

This will be an in-person only meeting at Marks Street Senior Center, 99 E Marks St, Orlando

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- Jan 4 Pop-up Field Trip
Jan 6 SIG Meeting
Jan 13 OCC In Person Meeting
Jan 25 St Augustine Field Trip
Jan 27 Joshua Snow Presentation
Feb 3 SIG Meeting
Feb 10 OCC Zoom Meeting
Feb 17 BOD Board Meeting
Feb 24 Post Processing Presentation (In-Person ONLY meeting)
Mar 3 SIG Meeting
Mar 10 OCC Zoom Meeting
Mar 24 Lewis Katz Presentation



ORLANDO CAMERA CLUB MEETINGS

1st Monday of the month are Special Interest Group meetings.

2nd Monday of the month are In-Person/Zoom meetings or Competition Results.

4th Monday of the month are Guest Speakers typically via Zoom.

To see more of Ansa's amazing work visit https://orlandocameraclub.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=32cf4124817412557f1052cf5&id=f20cdf8071&e=52a5ba962c



January Informal Competition
Winner
Theme: “Street Photography”



*“Swept Away”
by Shannon Golden*

Shannon Golden earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Texas at Austin and has studied both traditional film and digital mediums.

Over the past 20 years, she has documented hundreds of events around the world. Her effortless shooting style is best described as a blend of photojournalism & classic portraiture, and her images often reflect a timeless appeal.

Shannon’s work has garnered numerous awards including Best Photographer in Atlanta, Top Portrait Photographer and Top Wedding Photographer. Her event clients include Fortune 500 companies and government agencies across the USA, and other clients include celebrities, professional athletes, nonprofits, luxury RE agents & commercial property managers.

Shannon taught photography at Columbus State University’s Department of Continuing Education and was the founder of Georgia School of Photography. She led the Photopia Image Makers Club and the West Georgia Camera Club before relocating to Florida, and she is a frequent guest judge & speaker for camera clubs throughout the Southeast.

Informal Competition Dates and Themes

Date	Theme
March, 2025	Bird Portraits
May, 2025	Flowers
July, 2025	Name of a Song, Book, or Movie
September, 2025	Impressionism
November, 2025	TBD

Formal Competition Dates and Themes

Date	Theme
February, 2025	Open
April, 2025	Landscapes
June, 2025	Architecture
August, 2025	Open
October, 2025	TBD



UPCOMING MEETINGS & COMPETITIONS

February 3, Monday 6:30 pm: SIG (Special Interest Groups) Meeting

Join us on Zoom as we explore images, techniques, and processing as well as get to know other members of OCC! Each SIG (Special Interest Group) focuses on one of these different photographic genres, Nature, Landscape, Abstract, or People. SIGs also get together for special interest group field trips! The SIGs are full of great people getting together to share their knowledge and experiences with photography and to have fun! We meet via Zoom on the first Monday of the month.

Register in advance for this meeting by visiting our zoom meeting links page [here](#).

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Monday, February 10th @ 6:30 pm: General Meeting & Formal Competition Results Theme is "Open" - ZOOM Only meeting

Join us for the Formal Competition images and results to get a glimpse into what other members are doing! Competitions are a great way to improve your photography skills by listening to the judge's critiques as well as seeing different styles of photography!

Join us on Zoom at 6:30 pm.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://orlandocameraclub.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=32cf4124817412557f1052cf5&id=1bf52692e5&e=52a5ba962c>

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2025 Birding & Photo Fest

2025 Florida's Birding & Photo Fest Early Bird Registration is Open!

ENTRY WINDOW:

March 1st, 2025 - April 11th, 2025

CONTEST RULES

1. There is a \$30 entry fee for the first two (2) entries, \$20 for each additional entry. You may submit up to five (5) images total.
2. Images must be taken in Florida by the person submitting between March 1, 2024 April 11, 2025. Images should not have been previously published nor have been any level of winner of any previous photo contest. Images posted on social media are acceptable.
3. Select your original nature photographs and size them properly – at least 3000 pixels (or 10" at 300 pixels/inch) tall or wide, in jpg format and rgb or srgb color space, no larger than 10 mb. We accept black and white and color images. Do not send printed images. Do not add frames, borders, logos, watermarks, signatures, names, dates, or copyright symbols to the image, they will be disqualified.
 4. Allowed image adjustments include: Removal of dust/water spots, exposure adjustment, color correction, removal of minor distracting objects, and cropping.
5. PLEASE UPLOAD ALL OF YOUR ENTRIES AT THE SAME TIME via the entry button on or after March 1st.
6. All images will be judged on technical aspects such as exposure, composition, cropping, color, as well as content, influence and uniqueness by the professional photographers who are speakers at Florida's Photo Fest.
7. People's Choice voting gallery will be displayed in the exhibit hall from April 23-26th. People's Choice voting will end at 1pm on April 26th. Contest winners will be announced at the close of our Keynote Reception.
8. By submitting images to this contest, you are agreeing to allow Florida's Photo Fest to use your image with appropriate photo credits. The winning image will be the the 2026 promotional image for the festival.

PHOTO CONTEST QUESTIONS? Please email theteam@floridasbirdingandphotofest.com.



THANK YOU

Community Service

-Thank You to our Awesome Volunteers -



Thank you, Chris Harris, Matt Klinger, Mike Vincent and Lee Hepburn, for taking the time to show our support for the community! Thank you, Carol, for always coordinating these special events!



They provided their time and skill taking photos for the Cure Bowl this past December. I wanted to make sure we gave them a big thank you!

Please thank them all for a job well done, and the selfless support that they provided during this event!



If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please email the community services chairperson at communityservice@orlandocameraclub.com



Congratulations Laura Howell & Ruben Rodz

Please help congratulate two of our members, **Laura Howell & Ruben Rodz**, on the exciting news of having their images selected for the **Winter Garden Art Association & SOBO Art Gallery** exhibition titled "**Carnival of Color.**"

The exhibit will run from **February-March**, with an opening reception on **Thursday, 6 Feb, from 5:30-8 p.m.** at **127 S. Boyd St, Winter Garden.**

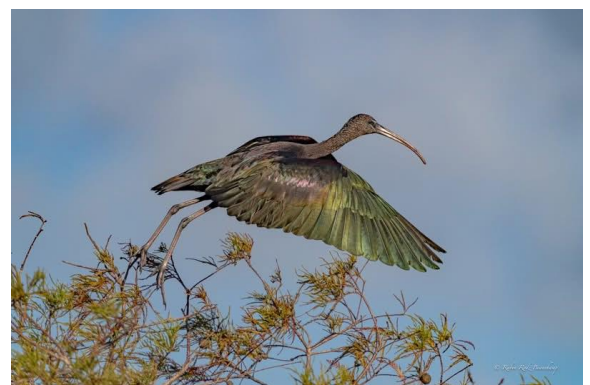
Please come out and help show your support!



Laura Howell



Ruben Rodz





- Shannon Golden
- William Golden
- Sydney Golden
- Trent Golden
- C.J. Johnson
- Betty Ann Wilson
- Naoko Otani
- Talor Whiteside



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Check out the **FREE** monthly webinars on the last Tuesday of the month!
 Hosted by F3C (the Florida Camera Club Council) in Association with Hunts Photo & Video!
 Registration is required ahead of time: Sign up for notifications from F3C by contacting Art
 Silvergate at 9thexposure@gmail.com.

FLORIDA CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL

2025 Photography Conference

Manatee Technical College
Bradenton, Florida

March 28: On and Off site Workshops

March 29-30: Main Conference and Workshops

Join us for a premier photography conference in beautiful Bradenton, Florida! Whether you're a professional photographer, an enthusiastic amateur, or just passionate about capturing moments, this event is perfect for you.

Conference registration opens late 2024
Sign up now for updates



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