



August 2026

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Aug 3	SIG
Aug 10	Competition Results
Aug 17	Board of Directors Meeting
Aug 24	In-Person Meeting
Sep 7	SIG
Sep 20	Annual Banquet
Sep 21	Board of Directors Meeting



Defying Gravity by Jennifer Wiggins

Join us for an inspiring evening as a panel of OCC's frequent competition winners share the stories behind some of their highest-scoring images.

Each photographer will showcase a selection of their award-winning work and take us behind the scenes, explaining the techniques, planning, camera settings, and creative decisions that brought each image to life.

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.



Ferocious Yawn by Sharon O'Brien

Learn how these standout photographs were captured, from the initial vision to the final result, while picking up practical tips you can apply to your own photography. Whether you're new to the club or a seasoned photographer, this program offers a unique opportunity to learn directly from members whose images consistently impress the judges.

Members of the panel scheduled to appear include Randy Seaman, Deborah Seaman, Pat Husband, Al Aikens, Jennifer Wiggins, Sharon O'Brien, and Ruben Rodriguez. Plan to arrive a few minutes early because you definitely don't want to miss a minute of this one!



Share your images and what you are up to on our [OCC Facebook page!](#)



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Join us on Sept 20th!



Orlando Camera Club

Please join us for OCC's

Annual Banquet & Festivities

Sunday, Sept 20th, 2026

4:00p - 8:00p

Oakland Banquet Meeting Hall

221 N. Arrington St., Oakland FL, 34760

Tickets are available Aug 1 - Sept 9 and must be purchased in advance.

Please visit the Annual Banquet page on the
OCC website for purchasing info.

Join us for delicious food, delightful fellowship, and fun raffle prizes as we celebrate YOU, our talented members, and your achievements during this past year. This event will feature year-end competition results, a presentation by guest speaker J. Scott Kelly, introduction of our new board members, and a photo gallery showcasing our members' work.

Family and friends are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Dress code is smart casual.

Join us on September 20th from 4:00p-8:00p at the Oakland Banquet Meeting Hall for the OCC Annual Banquet!

J. Scott Kelly will be our Guest Speaker for the Banquet. J. Scott Kelly is a professional photographer, educator, and photographic mentor with more than 40 years of experience behind the camera. A graduate with honors in Photographic Technology from the Florida Institute of Technology, he has been helping clients and photographers alike since beginning his full-time career in 1985.

Through Adventure Photography, Scott leads workshops, photographic adventures, and educational programs throughout the Southeast, inspiring photographers of all experience levels to strengthen both their technical skills and creative vision. Since 2008, he has built one of Florida's most active photography communities through photo walks, clubs, and hands-on learning experiences.

Scott's photography has taken him throughout the United States and to destinations around the world, where his passion for exploration has resulted in award-winning images that capture the beauty of landscapes, architecture, and the human experience. Today, his greatest passion is helping others discover their own creative potential while using photography to educate, inspire, and make a positive impact on their communities.

Tickets are available to purchase through PayPal, Zelle, or by bringing cash or check to any of our in-person meetings prior to the banquet.



Annual Banquet Member Gallery

Would you like to have your work featured in our exclusive gallery at our annual club banquet?

Send an email to **President@OrlandoCameraClub.com** with the **subject "Annual Banquet Exhibit"** and include a thumbnail of your image, the title of your image, and how you would like your name printed on the card that will be displayed next to your image by September 14th.

You may enter up to two images but take note that we may accept only one due to available space. Those accepted will be **notified by September 15th**. Accepted work must be printed no larger than 16×20 and mounted on foam core board no larger than 16×20. You may print smaller to allow for framing but please mount the image to a 16×20 board. We will supply self-stick cardboard easel backs to display your work in an upright, easy to view position.

Please bring the final product to the **September 14th** meeting at Marks St. Center or please make arrangements to drop off your artwork with Mary Wood (**president@orlandocameraclub.com**) by September 14th.

The meeting will include announcing the winners of our annual competition. Eligible entries for the annual competition will be posted after August's formal competition results are announced.

This event promises to be a unique experience and is only open to Members and Guests of the Orlando Camera Club.

Banquet Date: Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026
Location: Oakland Banquet Meeting Hall
221 N. Arrington St.
Oakland FL, 34760
Time: 4:00pm to 8:00pm
Cost: \$45.00 per person
Tickets: Limited seating available



Formal Competition

**Entries are open for submission 6 Sep – 2 Oct:
The Theme is "Open"**

Entries are due by 11:59 pm on Friday, 2 October 2026.

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!

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You can enter your images or find more information about our Informal and formal competitions on our website <https://orlandocameraclub.com/member-area/competitions/>



Formal Competition Dates and Themes

Date	Theme
March 2026	Landscape
May 2026	Flowers
July 2026	Open
September 2026	Fill the Frame

August 10th Monday 6:30 pm: General Meeting & Formal Competition Results!

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Meet our three judges below!

Sherri Bunye: Sherri documents her place in the world by photographing the people, places, and things she finds interesting. Most of her work is inspired by her childhood family road-trips throughout the United States. The photos, often roadside scenes, explore both American culture and the physical landscape that connect us. Sherri studied photography at the Southeast Center for Photography in Greenville, South Carolina. She has received a United Arts Individual Development Grant, was awarded a Nikon Scholarship, and formally taught photography as a senior instructor at Crealdé School of Art.

Brian Miller: Brian Miller is a retired science teacher and photographer whose relationship with the camera began at age five, when he received his first Kodak Instamatic. He learned how to process negatives and black and white prints in a home darkroom in the 1970s. That foundation led him into professional wedding photography in the 1980s, and to formally study photography at the University of Hartford Art School. During that time, he did an internship as a crime scene photographer, as well as freelance photography for the Hartford Courant.

Brian now serves as a bird and photography field guide for the Audubon Society and leads field trips for Orlando Camera Club, as well as serving on the board as the sponsorship director. His own work ranges from wildlife and bird photography to travel and street work. He has won awards in camera club competitions and has had work published in various magazines over the years.

Justin Nolan: Justin Nolan is an Associate Lecturer of Photography at the University of Central Florida with a Master of Fine Arts in photography from the University of New Mexico and a BS in Art and Philosophy from the University of Wisconsin. Justin has worked as an artist, educator, and commercial photographer. He has worked in fashion, advertising and has contributed numerous commissioned assignments for national publications.

Much of his work focuses on commercial interiors to illustrate how public spaces can provoke desire, nostalgia, and confusion. A central focus of Justin's work is how American identity is promoted, memorized, and transmitted through Consumer and 'themed' spaces.

Nolan has been the recipient of numerous grants, including the Howard L. Franks Memorial Fellowship for graduate study. His work is represented in the University of New Mexico Art Museum's permanent collection, the University of Wisconsin's Union collection, and the Arizona State University's Northlight Gallery.



Sep Informal Challenge: "Windows"

Informal Challenges are open to all members regardless of experience. Monthly challenges are great ways to participate in low-pressure competitions. If you are new to competitions, it is a wonderful way to get your "feet wet"!

Informal Challenges are open for submission on the 1st through the 14th day of the month. Voting runs from the 15th through the 22nd. Winners will be announced after the competition closes.

You can enter your images or find more information about our Informal and formal [Competitions](#) on our website.



Informal Challenge Dates and Themes

Date	Theme
March 2026	Wavy Things
May 2026	Eyes
July 2026	The Color Red
September 2026	Windows
November 2026	Abstraction

Interactive SIG (Special Interest Groups) Meeting

The newly restructured SIGs include the Abstract group and Everything But Abstract (EBA) group. Both SIGs are open to all members.

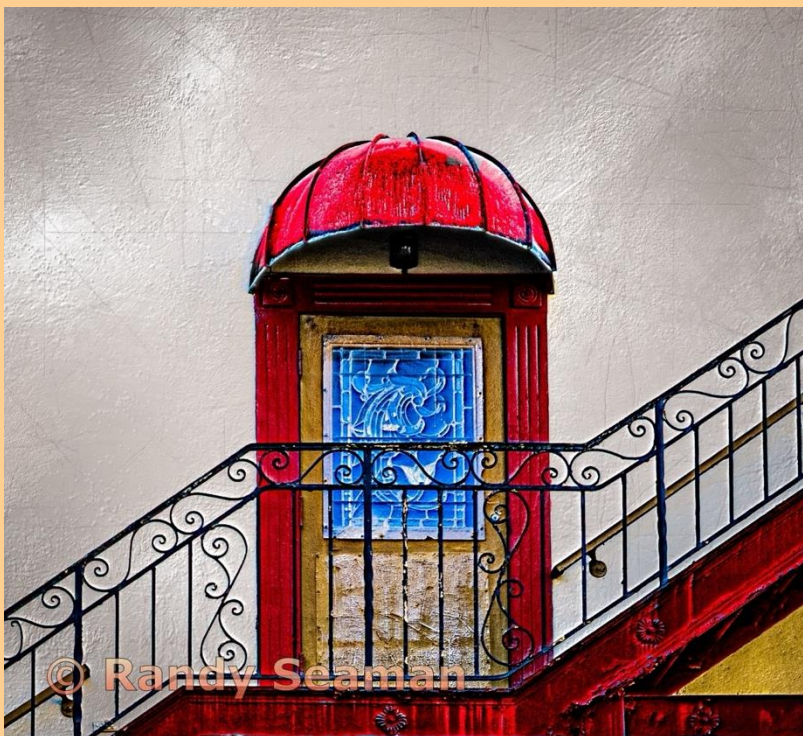
The Abstract SIG is now the Abstract/Creative SIG and will include open-to-all field trips, new education opportunities, new projects and new ways to be more creative. Come join us and find your Creativity. March's challenge is "Color Red".

The EBA (Everything But Abstract) SIG incorporates the Nature and Landscape SIGs. It will be hosted by the members and will include the types of photography subjects that interest them. It includes nature, landscape, street, travel, B&W, infrared, macro –all types of photography except Abstract. March's meeting focus is "Landscape".

We meet on the first Monday of each month, 6:30-8 pm via Zoom.



July Informal Challenge Winner



"Disruption"
Randy Seaman



"Beguiling Portal"
Randy Seaman



Clever Supply Co., is a photography accessory brand based in Louisville, KY, focusing on handmade Camera Straps and Camera Bags.

<https://cleversupply.co/>

Use coupon code “OrlandoCC” for 15% off Members first purchase and 10% off future purchases.



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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.

Competition Schedule for FCCC members:

2025 3rd Triannual – Digital: **19 Oct – 19 Nov**

2025 EOY Delivery – Print: **2 Dec**

2025 EOY Judging – Digital: **14 Dec – 21 Dec**



Roy Morris from "My Photo Club" is a new sponsor of OCC!

Each Thursday at 2 pm EST, "My Photo Club" offers talks and masterclasses by leading photographers at a nominal cost. The talks are recorded, and the recordings are available for 14 days after the presentation.

Watch the OCC FB page for the upcoming talks and the link for the OCC members' FREE talk!



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Another feature you can use is our Online Chat/Tech Support with Matt Modica!

Matt can be reached by clicking the chat button on the lower right side of our website, which shows an icon of his cat when he's online. He is typically available from 9-5 pm EST on Monday-Friday. Matt is always happy to provide honest, unbiased advice about various camera or photography topics!