

# MODESTO CAMERA CLUB THE SCREEN

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

*MCC Competition & Programs meet at 7:00 pm at 1620 N. Carpenter Road in Suite C 32 (upstairs).*

11/4/2024 – **Competition Meeting**

11/18/2024 – **Showing of Treasure Hunt Images**

Treasure Hunt images will be shown on Monday, November 18 at our 7:00 PM meeting. The meeting will be both in-person and Zoom.

12/9/2024 – **Holiday Awards Dinner**

Starting at 5:30pm at Mimi's by the Vintage Fair Mall in Modesto. RSVP to Bob Shroyer (bpflyfishers@att.net ) by November 23rd

## CHALLENGE DIVISION TOPICS FOR 2025

- 02 - Travel
- 03 - Photojournalism
- 04 - Monochrome
- 05 - Macro
- 06 - People
- 10 - Scapes (Land, Water, City, Space)
- 11 - Architecture



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Competitions will be held BOTH In-Person & via Zoom. The digital chair will e-mail all members the Zoom link information one week prior to the competition meeting.



## 10 Easy Tips and Tricks for Better Smartphone Photos

For many, phones have completely replaced dedicated digital cameras, but even pros reach for their iPhones or Samsung Galaxy phones to snap images from time to time. Here's how to take better pics with your smartphone.

<https://www.pcmag.com/how-to/10-easy-tips-and-tricks-for-better-smartphone-photos>



Your smartphone is always with you, a constant companion that can connect to the web to look up any tiny nugget of trivia, and generally keep you in constant contact with the outside world. It's one of the key items you grab before leaving the house, and the last time you (probably) turned it off was at the movie theater.



This also makes your phone your take-everywhere, shoot-anything digital camera. Just a few short years ago, making images and video with smartphones was a compromise, with poorer image quality but a heck of a lot more convenience than a good point-and-shoot camera.

But times have changed and phone cameras have gotten better and better. The latest models offer imaging and video that's often superior to budget point-and-shoot cameras, and offer nifty software tricks to blur backgrounds, just like an interchangeable lens camera with an f/2 lens.

### Start With a Good Camera Phone

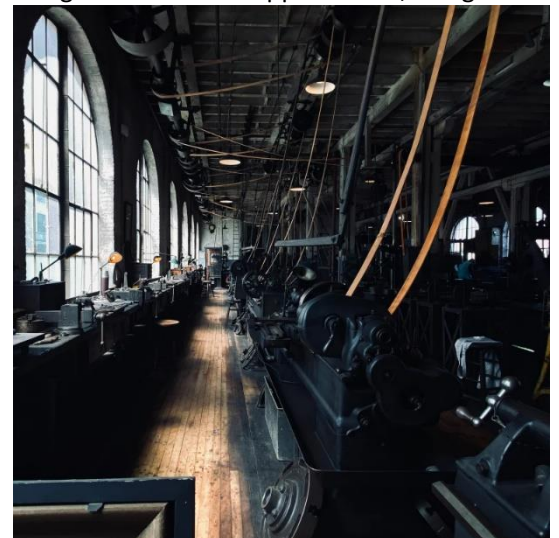
Smartphone camera quality has enjoyed a big leap forward over the past couple of years. If you're using an older handset, chances are the camera isn't up to snuff. If camera quality is a priority when shopping for a new one, make sure you peruse our list of the top camera phones we've tested. But remember that you really can't go wrong with the latest Apple iPhone, Google Pixel, OnePlus, or Samsung Galaxy devices.

### Look for the Light

Smartphones have very bright lenses and include special modes for making images in very dim light—the Night modes in the latest iPhone and Pixels do a much better job than point-and-shoot cameras.

[Follow the Story](#) for additional topics:

- Adjust Exposure
- Turn on Your Grid
- And more...









## MODESTO CAMERA CLUB 2024 IMAGE GALLERY LINK

### CHALLENGE DIVISION OCT 2024 WATER RESULTS

| 2024 Competition Scores         |           |             |             |             |             |             |             |          |             |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Names<br>Last                   | Challenge |             |             |             |             |             |             |          |             |
| Class                           | Feb       | Mar         | Apr         | May         | Jun         | Oct         | Nov         | Total    |             |
| Anthony Bearden                 | A         |             |             |             |             |             |             |          | 0           |
| Barbara Shaw                    | AAA       | 9           | 10          | 8           | 10          | 10          | 9           |          | 56          |
| Bob Shroyer                     | AAA       | 10          | 9           | 9           | 10          | 9           | 10          |          | 57          |
| Douglas Harms                   | A         |             |             |             |             |             |             |          | 0           |
| Eric Bjerke                     | AA        | 9           | 9           | 9           | 9           | 9           | 9           |          | 54          |
| Ernest Shook                    | A         | 10          | 10          |             |             |             |             |          | 20          |
| Esequiel Albor                  | A         | 9           | 8           |             |             |             |             |          | 17          |
| Gary Hunter                     | AAA       | 10          | 10          | 10          | 9           | 9           | 10          |          | 58          |
| Jack Hall                       | A         | 9           | 9           | 9           | 8           | 9           |             |          | 44          |
| Janet Theilen                   | A         |             |             |             |             |             |             |          | 0           |
| Jim Gain                        | AA        | 10          | 10          | 10          | 10          | 8           |             |          | 48          |
| Jim Menard                      | A         | 10          | 9           | 9           | 10          | 8           | 9           |          | 55          |
| Ken Theilen                     | A         |             |             |             |             |             |             |          | 0           |
| Kerry Elms                      | A         |             | 10          |             | 10          |             |             |          | 20          |
| Laura O'Rourke                  | A         |             |             |             |             |             |             |          | 0           |
| Lou Friedman                    | A         | 9           | 10          |             |             | 8           |             |          | 27          |
| Nick Crooker                    | A         | 9           | 8           |             | 9           | 9           | 10          |          | 45          |
| Paula Shroyer                   | AAA       | 10          | 10          | 9           | 10          | 10          | 10          |          | 59          |
| Richard Brown                   | A         | 10          | 10          | 9           |             |             |             |          | 29          |
| Richard Fisher                  | A         | 10          |             | 9           | 9           |             |             |          | 28          |
| Rinda Webber                    | AA        | 8           | 10          | 10          | 9           | 8           | 10          |          | 55          |
| Sam Shaw                        | AAA       | 10          | 10          | 9           | 9           | 10          | 10          |          | 58          |
| Sandy Menard                    | AA        | 10          | 10          | 9           | 8           | 8           | 9           |          | 54          |
| Sharon Ball                     | A         |             | 9           | 10          | 10          |             |             |          | 29          |
| Taresa Joy                      | AA        | 9           | 10          | 10          | 9           | 8           |             |          | 46          |
| <b>Score Count</b>              |           | <b>18</b>   | <b>19</b>   | <b>15</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>14</b>   | <b>10</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>92</b>   |
| <b>Total Points</b>             |           | <b>171</b>  | <b>181</b>  | <b>139</b>  | <b>149</b>  | <b>123</b>  | <b>96</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>859</b>  |
| <b>Average Points per Image</b> |           | <b>9.50</b> | <b>9.53</b> | <b>9.27</b> | <b>9.31</b> | <b>8.79</b> | <b>9.60</b> |          | <b>9.34</b> |

### CHALLENGE DIVISION PERFECT 10S (OCT 2024) – WATER




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| <br>Small Waterfalls<br>By Nick Crooker | <br>McDonald Lake Glacier NP<br>Gary Hunter  | <br>Portland Head Lighthouse<br>By Sam Shaw                           | <br>Garrapata Seascape<br>By Bob Shroyer |
|  | <br>Watson Falls, Oregon<br>By Paula Shroyer | <br>Water Drop on a Leaf with Flower<br>Reflection<br>By Rinda Webber |   |

## NATURE DIVISION OCT 2024 RESULTS

| 2024 Competition Scores         |                |        |             |             |             |             |             |             |          |             |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Names                           |                | Nature |             |             |             |             |             |             |          |             |
| Last                            | Class          | Feb    | Mar         | Apr         | May         | Jun         | Oct         | Nov         | Total    |             |
| 1                               | Barbara Shaw   | AAA    | 10          | 10          | 8           | 10          | 10          | 9           | 57       |             |
| 2                               | Bob shroyer    | AA     |             |             |             |             |             |             | 0        |             |
| 3                               | Douglas Harms  | AA     |             |             |             |             |             |             | 0        |             |
| 4                               | Ernest Shook   | AA     | 10          | 10          |             |             |             |             | 20       |             |
| 5                               | Esequiel Albor | AA     |             |             |             |             |             |             | 0        |             |
| 6                               | Gary Hunter    | AAA    | 10          | 9           | 10          | 10          | 10          | 10          | 59       |             |
| 7                               | Jack Hall      | AA     | 10          | 9           | 10          | 9           | 8           |             | 46       |             |
| 8                               | Janet Theilen  | AA     |             |             |             |             |             |             | 0        |             |
| 9                               | Jim Gain       | AAA    | 10          | 9           | 9           | 10          | 10          |             | 48       |             |
| 10                              | Ken Theilen    | AA     |             |             |             |             |             |             | 0        |             |
| 11                              | Kerry Elms     | AA     |             | 9           |             |             |             |             | 9        |             |
| 12                              | Laura O'Rourke | AA     |             |             |             |             |             |             | 0        |             |
| 13                              | Lou Friedman   | AA     |             | 8           |             |             |             |             | 8        |             |
|                                 | Nick Crooker   | AA     |             | 10          |             |             |             |             | 10       |             |
| 14                              | Richard Brown  | AA     | 10          | 10          | 10          |             |             |             | 30       |             |
| 15                              | Richard Fisher | AA     | 8           |             | 9           | 9           | 8           |             | 34       |             |
| 16                              | Rinda Webber   | AAA    | 9           | 10          | 9           | 10          | 8           | 10          | 56       |             |
| 17                              | Sam Shaw       | AAA    | 10          | 10          | 9           | 10          | 10          | 10          | 59       |             |
| 18                              | Sharon Ball    | AA     | 10          | 10          | 9           | 10          |             |             | 39       |             |
| 19                              | Taresa Joy     | AA     | 10          | 9           | 9           | 10          | 9           |             | 47       |             |
| <b>Score Count</b>              |                |        | <b>11</b>   | <b>13</b>   | <b>10</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>8</b>    | <b>4</b>    | <b>0</b> | <b>55</b>   |
| <b>Total Points</b>             |                |        | <b>107</b>  | <b>123</b>  | <b>92</b>   | <b>88</b>   | <b>73</b>   | <b>39</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>522</b>  |
| <b>Average Points per Image</b> |                |        | <b>9.73</b> | <b>9.46</b> | <b>9.20</b> | <b>9.78</b> | <b>9.13</b> | <b>9.75</b> |          | <b>9.49</b> |

### NATURE DIVISION PERFECT 10S (OCT 2024)

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| <br>Heron<br>By Gary Hunter | <br>Cheetah Intent on Prey<br>By Sam Shaw | <br>Mockingbird with a Dragon Fly<br>By Rinda Webber |
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## PICTORIAL DIVISION OCT 2024 RESULTS

| 2024 Competition Scores         |       |           |     |       |      |     |       |      |     |       |      |     |       |      |     |       |      |    |       |     |   |       |           |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----|-------|------|-----|-------|------|-----|-------|------|-----|-------|------|-----|-------|------|----|-------|-----|---|-------|-----------|
| Names                           |       | Pictorial |     |       |      |     |       |      |     |       |      |     |       |      |     |       |      |    |       |     |   |       | YTD Total |
|                                 |       | Feb       |     |       | Mar  |     |       | Apr  |     |       | May  |     |       | Jun  |     |       | Oct  |    |       | Nov |   |       |           |
| Last                            | Class | 1         | 2   | Total | 1    | 2   | Total | 1    | 2   | Total | 1    | 2   | Total | 1    | 2   | Total | 1    | 2  | Total | 1   | 2 | Total |           |
| Barbara Shaw                    | AA    | 9         | 9   | 18    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 9    | 8   | 17    | 8    | 8  | 16    |     |   | 0     | 110       |
| Bob Shroyer                     | AAA   | 10        | 10  | 20    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 10   | 10 | 20    |     |   | 0     | 115       |
| Douglas Harms                   | A     |           |     |       |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 0         |
| Eric Bjerke                     | AA    | 9         | 9   | 18    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 8    | 9   | 17    | 8    | 10  | 18    | 8    | 8   | 16    | 10   | 9  | 19    |     |   | 0     | 106       |
| Ernest Shook                    | A     | 10        | 10  | 20    | 10   | 10  | 20    |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 40        |
| Esequiel Albor                  | A     | 9         | 9   | 18    | 10   | 9   | 19    |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 37        |
| Gary Hunter                     | AAA   | 9         | 10  | 19    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 10   | 9  | 19    |     |   | 0     | 116       |
| Jack Hall                       | A     | 9         | 8   | 17    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 8    | 8   | 16    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 7    | 7   | 14    |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 84        |
| Janet Theilen                   | A     |           |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 0         |
| Jim Gain                        | A     | 10        | 9   | 19    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 10   | 9   | 19    |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 94        |
| Jim Menard                      | AAA   | 9         | 9   | 18    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 10   | 8   | 18    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 8    | 7   | 15    | 9    | 9  | 18    |     |   | 0     | 108       |
| Ken Theilen                     | A     |           |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 0         |
| Kerry Elms                      | A     |           | 10  | 8     | 18   |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 18        |
| Laura O'Rourke                  | A     |           |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 0         |
| Lou Friedman                    | A     | 9         |     | 9     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     | 8    |    | 8     |     |   | 0     | 17        |
| Nick Crooker                    | A     | 9         |     | 9     | 9    |     | 9     | 8    |     | 8     |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 26        |
| Paula Shroyer                   | AAA   | 10        | 10  | 20    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 9    | 8   | 17    | 9    | 10 | 19    |     |   | 0     | 115       |
| Richard Brown                   | AA    | 10        | 10  | 20    | 9    | 8   | 17    | 9    | 10  | 19    |      |     | 0     |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 56        |
| Richard Fisher                  | A     | 10        | 9   | 19    |      |     | 0     | 9    | 8   | 17    | 9    | 8   | 17    | 10   | 8   | 18    |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 71        |
| Rinda Webber                    | AA    | 9         | 10  | 19    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 8    | 9   | 17    | 10   | 9  | 19    |     |   | 0     | 111       |
| Sam Shaw                        | AAA   | 9         | 10  | 19    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 9    | 10  | 19    | 10   | 10 | 20    |     |   | 0     | 118       |
| Sandy Menard                    | AA    | 10        | 9   | 19    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 8    | 8   | 16    | 9    | 9   | 18    | 9    | 7   | 16    | 9    | 10 | 19    |     |   | 0     | 106       |
| Sharon Ball                     | A     | 10        | 8   | 18    | 10   | 10  | 20    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 9    | 9   | 18    |      |     | 0     |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 75        |
| Taresa Joy                      | AAA   | 9         | 8   | 17    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 9    | 8   | 17    | 10   | 9   | 19    | 8    | 10  | 18    |      |    | 0     |     |   | 0     | 90        |
| <b>Score Count</b>              |       | 19        | 17  | 36    | 18   | 17  | 35    | 16   | 15  | 31    | 14   | 14  | 28    | 13   | 13  | 26    | 10   | 9  | 19    | 0   | 0 | 0     | 175       |
| <b>Total Points</b>             |       | 179       | 157 | 336   | 173  | 158 | 331   | 147  | 136 | 283   | 131  | 132 | 263   | 113  | 110 | 223   | 93   | 84 | 177   | 0   | 0 | 0     | 1613      |
| <b>Average Points per Image</b> |       | 9.33      |     |       | 9.46 |     |       | 9.13 |     |       | 9.39 |     |       | 8.58 |     |       | 9.32 |    |       |     |   |       | 9.22      |

### PICTORIAL DIVISION PERFECT 10S (OCT 2024)

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|---|---|---|--|---|
|  <p>Stockton Iron Works<br/>By Eric Bjerke</p>       |  <p>Coal Mine Canyon Az<br/>By Gary Hunter</p>                             |  <p>Female Western Bluebird<br/>About to Take Flight<br/>By Sam Shaw</p> |  <p>Racing at Laguna Seca<br/>Raceway<br/>By Bob Shroyer</p> |  <p>His and Hers-Dress up Time<br/>By Rinda Webber</p> |
|  <p>Slowly Dying on the Vine<br/>By Sandy Menard</p> |  <p>Trio of Calla Lilies showing<br/>Graceful Elegance<br/>By Sam Shaw</p> |  <p>Golden Light at Bodie Ghost<br/>Town<br/>By Bob Shroyer</p>          |  <p>Bandon Beach Sunset,<br/>Oregon<br/>By Paula Shroyer</p> |   |