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CHALLENGE DIVISION TOPICS FOR 2023

- Nov - Spot Color

CHALLENGE DIVISION TOPICS RESULTS FOR 2024 TOP CHOICES

1. Reflections
2. Sunrise/Sunset
3. Abandoned Building/Buildings
4. Black & White
5. Patterns
6. Water
7. Animal

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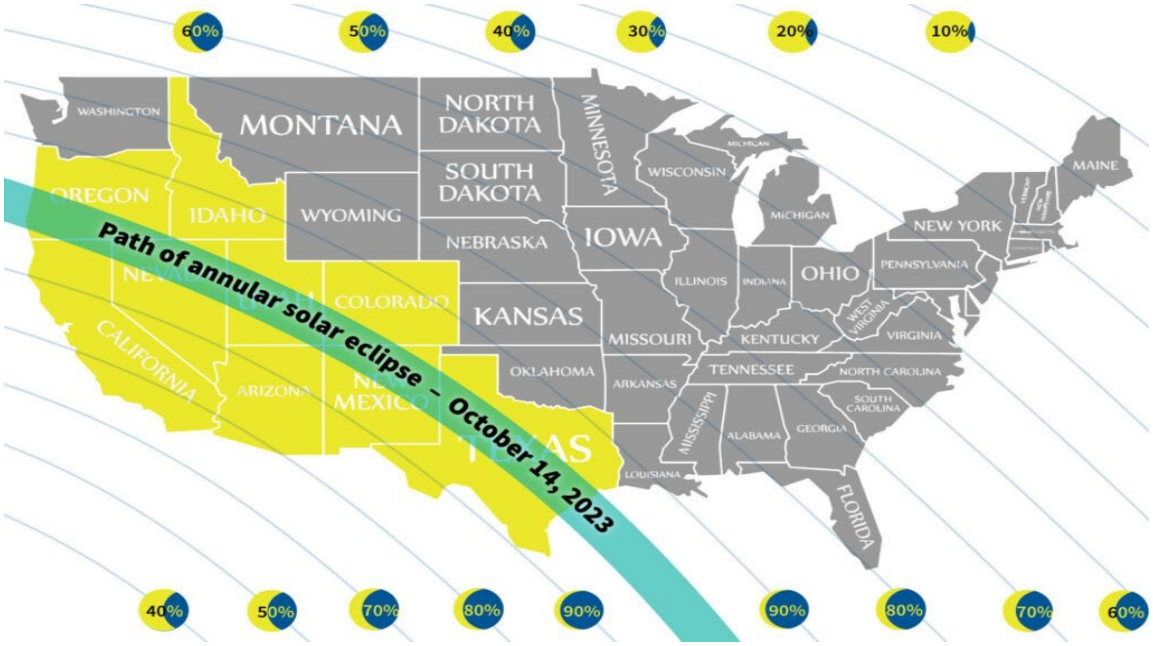
Competitions will be held BOTH In-Person & via Zoom. The digital chair will e-mail all members the Zoom link information one week prior to the competition meeting.

TIPS FOR PHOTOGRAPHING A TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE

BY EDWIN AGUIRRE & IMELDA JOSON - FROM SKY & TELESCOPE – APRIL 8, 2022

The October 14, 2023 annular solar eclipse begins in Oregon at 9:13 am PDT and ends in Texas at 10:03 p.m. PDT



With a bit of planning and effort, almost anyone can capture the celestial show using only modest equipment. Here are some pointers on how to obtain your own souvenir portrait of a solar eclipse.

EYE SAFETY FIRST

The most important thing to keep in mind when trying to view the partial stages of the eclipse is to never look directly at the Sun without proper eye protection. This means wearing solar viewing glasses, or "eclipse shades," when viewing the Sun naked-eye, as well as fitting your cameras, binoculars, telescopes, and even finder scopes with special solar filters. Failure to do so can result in serious eye injury or permanent blindness. A No. 14 arc-welder's glass filter is also acceptable. Ordinary sunglasses and polarizing or neutral-density (ND) filters used in regular photography are not safe and should never be used.

USE THE RIGHT EQUIPMENT

The type of camera lens you use will depend on what you want to record. To shoot wide-angle shots of the sky at totality with a digital single-lens reflex (DSLR) camera, a standard 50-millimeter lens is all you need. For dramatic effect, try to include foreground objects in the scene such as tall trees, monuments, and other interesting or famous landmarks. However, if you want the Sun's disk to be reasonably large in the field of a full-frame DSLR, you will need a telephoto lens or telescope with a focal length between 500 and 2,000 mm on a stable mount.

CAMERA SETTINGS AND TECHNIQUES

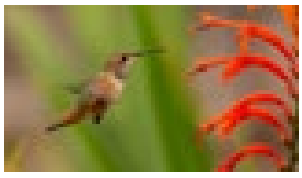
Set your camera's image quality to its highest resolution, preferably uncompressed RAW format, and switch the camera controls to fully manual (M). Don't rely on your camera's autofocus and auto-exposure functions, especially during totality.

See the entire article at TIPS FOR PHOTOGRAPHING A TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE

CHALLENGE DIVISION OCTOBER 2023 MOTION RESULTS

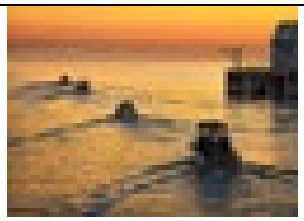
2023 Competition Scores									
Names	Challenge								
Last	Class	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Oct	Nov	Total
Anthony Bearden	A								-
Barbara Shaw	AA	9	10	9	10	10	10		58
Bob Shroyer	AAA	10	10	10	10	9	8		57
Eric Bjerke	AAA	9	10	10	9	10	9		57
Gary Hunter	AAA	10	10	9	8	10	9		56
Jack Hall	AA	9	10	9					28
Janet Theilen	AA	9	9						18
Jim Gain	AA	8	10	9	9	9	10		55
Jim Menard	AA	10	10	10	8	8	8		54
Ken Theilen	AA	8	9						17
Kerry Elms	A		10	9					19
Laura O'Rourke	A		9						9
Lou Friedman	A	8	10	10	9	10			47
Paula Shroyer	AAA	10	9	10	10	10	10		59
Sam Shaw	AAA	10	9	10	10	10	9		58
Sandy Menard	AAA	10	10	9	8	9	9		55
Taresa Joy	A	10	10	9	8	10	9		56
Nick Crooker	A	10		8	8	9	8		43
Richard Fisher	A		10	9	8		9		36
Rinda Webber	A	9	9	10	10	9	9		56
Richard Brown	A	9		10	10	9	8		46
Douglas Harms	A					10			10
Score Count		17	18	17	15	15	14	0	96
Total Points		158	174	160	135	142	125	0	894
Average Points per Image		9.29	9.67	9.41	9.00	9.47	8.93		9.31

CHALLENGE DIVISION PERFECT 10S (OCTOBER 2023) – MOTION



70 Wingbeats per Second
by Jim Gain

Boys in the Waterfall - Bali
by Barbara Shaw



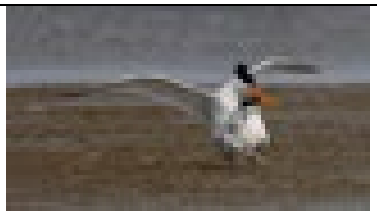
Going Fishing
by Paula Shroyer

MEEP MEEP - A Running Roadrunner by Jim Gain (Not an entry… Space filler only)

	2023 Competition Scores									
	Names	Nature								
	Last	Class	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Oct	Nov	Total
1	Barbara Shaw	AA	10	8	10	10	9	9		56
2	Bob shroyer	A					10	9		19
3	Gary Hunter	AAA	8	10	10	10	10	9		57
4	Jack Hall	AA	8	8	10					26
5	Janet Theilen	AAA	8	7						15
6	Jim Gain	AAA	8	9	9	10	9	10		55
7	Ken Theilen	AA	8	7						15
8	Kerry Elms	AA		10	10					20
9	Laura O'Rourke	AA		7						7
10	Lou Friedman	AA				8	8			16
11	Richard Brown	AAA	10		9	9	10	10		48
12	Sam Shaw	AAA	9	9	10	9	10	10		57
13	Taresa Joy	AA	8	9	9	9	10	9		54
14	Richard Fisher	AA		10	9	8		9		36
15	Rinda Webber	AA	9	10	10	9	8	9		55
16	Douglas Harms	AA			9					9
	Score Count		10	12	11	9	9	9	0	60
	Total Points		86	104	105	82	84	84	0	545
	Average Points per Image		8.60	8.67	9.55	9.11	9.33	9.33		9.08

NATURE DIVISION OCTOBER 2023 RESULTS

Ouch, a Chipmunk drops a Sharp Gooseberry by Richard Brown



Royal Terns Continuing the Species by Jim Gain

Cheetah Long Running Strides by Sam Shaw

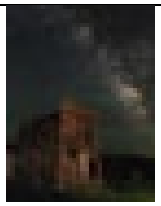
INCOMING! By Jim Gain (Not an entry, just a space filler.)

PICTORIAL DIVISION OCTOBER 2023 RESULTS

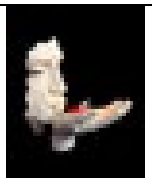
2023 Competition Scores

Names		Pictorial																				
		Feb			Mar			Apr			May			Jun			Oct			Nov			YTD
Last	Class	1	2	Total	1	2	Total	1	2	Total	1	2	Total	1	2	Total	1	2	Total	1	2	Total	Total
Barbara Shaw	AA	10	10	20	8	10	18	9	8	17	8	9	17	9	9	18	10	9	19			0	109
Bob Shroyer	AAA	10	10	20	10	10	20	10	10	20	9	10	19	9	10	19	8	9	17			0	115
Eric Bjerke	AAA	9	10	19	9	9	18	10	9	19	8	9	17	9	9	18	8	9	17			0	108
Gary Hunter	AAA	9	9	18	10	9	19	10	10	20	9	10	19	9	10	19	10	9	19			0	114
Jack Hall	AA	10	10	20	10	10	10	8	8	16			0			0			0			0	46
Janet Theilen	AA	9	9	18	10	10	20			0			0			0			0			0	38
Jim Gain	AAA			0	10	10	20	9	9	18	9	9	18	9	10	19	9	9	18			0	93
Jim Menard	AA	10	10	20	10	10	20	9	10	19	9	8	17	9	9	18	10	9	19			0	113
Ken Theilen	A	8	9	17	10	10	20			0			0			0			0			0	37
Kerry Elms	A			0	10	10	20	9	9	18			0			0			0			0	38
Laura O'Rourke	A			0	8	9	17			0			0			0			0			0	17
Lou Friedman	A	10	10	20	9	10	19	9	10	19			0			0			0			0	58
Paula Shroyer	AAA	10	10	20	9	10	19	10	10	20	10	9	19	10	10	20	10	9	19			0	117
Richard Brown	AA	9	10	19			0	9	8	17	8	9	17	10	10	20	9	10	19			0	92
Sam Shaw	AAA	10	10	20	10	10	20	10	10	20	10	9	19	10	10	20	10	10	20			0	119
Sandy Menard	AA	10	9	19	9	10	19	9	9	18	8	10	18	9	10	19	9	9	18			0	111
Taresa Joy	A	10	10	20	8	10	18	10	8	18	9	10	19	9	10	19	9	10	19			0	113
Richard Fisher	A			0	8	10	18	8	9	17	8	9	17			0	8	9	17			0	69
Nick Crooker	A			0	8	10	18	10		10	8	8	16	8		8	9		9			0	61
Rinda Webber	A	9	9	18	10	10	20	9	9	18	9	8	17	8	10	18	9	10	19			0	110
Douglas Harms														8		8			0			0	8
Score Count		15	15	30	19	19	38	17	16	33	14	14	28	14	12	26	14	13	27	0	0	0	182
Total Points		143	145	288	176	187	343	158	146	304	122	127	249	126	117	243	128	121	249	0	0	0	1676
Average Points per Image				9.60			9.03			9.21			8.89			9.35			9.22				9.21

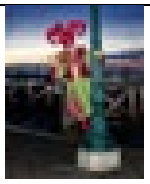
PICTORIAL DIVISION PERFECT 10S (OCTOBER 2023)



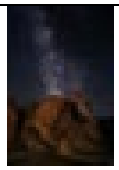
Bodie Under the Stars
by Gary Hunter



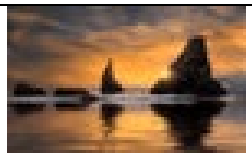
Lights Out
by Jim Menard



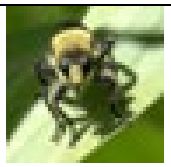
Carnival Venice
by Barbara Shaw



Milky Way Over Skull Arch
by Sam Shaw

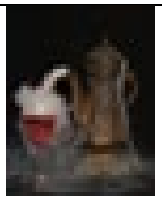


Just Before Sunset by Paula Shroyer



A Robber Fly, Slightly More Menacing than a Pesky House Fly by Richard Brown

Old Time Cowboy by Taresa Joy



Smokin Cherry Cocktail by Sam Shaw

Sparrows in the Snow by Rinda Webber