

Focus Group Camera Club

January 12, 2009 - Meeting Minutes

- President Bob Jones brought the meeting to order with a couple of Announcements:
 - + David Everette will lead a Field Trip on Saturday, January 24 at the “Pipeline” on the James River downtown.
 - + David gave a 3-4 minute presentation about the Field Trip
 - + We have over 20 people signed up for the Field Trip
- Jack Brooks, the speaker for the evening was introduced
 - + Jack is a long-time friend and former member of the club and retired professor of biology at William and Mary College who lives in Williamsburg .
- Jack’s presentation was entitled “Composition in Landscape Photography”
 - + Showing 35 mm and medium format slides, Jack pointed out some pleasing aspects of landscape photos (i.e. leading, diagonal receding and curved lines).
 - + He also suggested that the photographer move around to get the most pleasing shot of the subject.
 - + Jack also demonstrated examples of the same image taken in both the vertical and horizontal format to raise the question of which image packs the most drama for a particular photo
 - + Using examples he advised us to be on the lookout for tonal merges
- The Roundtable participants this month were: Bob Jones, Tom Scott, Tim Slaven, Gary, Peggy Siegel, David Everette, Al, Hal and Gilpin
- Brown Bag Special Event: The bags with the mystery items were handed out to the 20 participants Each participant is to photograph the item in an interesting and creative way during January before returning the item in the bag to be passed on to another member for the second round in February. At the end of the third round all of the images of the object will be shown at the April Roundtable.