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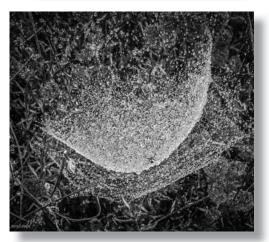


# 01 - Almond Tree Blossoms.jpg

*Carol Silveira* Well done, but the composition could be improved with some cropping of the right side. \*\*\*



**02 - Barnacles at Low Tide.jpg** *Christene Johnson* Excellent details. Would show best as a horizontal vs. vertical. \*\*\*



# **03 - Bowl and Doily Weaver spider on dewey morning.jpg** *Joni Zabala*

Interesting idea of capturing the bubbles, but a little overdone. Cropping down to get a better view of the spider would help. \*\*\*



**04 - Cape Marguerite with Dew Drops.jpg** *Christene Johnson* Excellent composition and detail. \*\*\*\*\*



**05 - Douglas Iris( Iris douglasiana) .jpg** *John Drum* Excellent details and composition. Outstanding coloration. \*\*\*\*\*



#### **06 - Orb spider and web.jpg** *Joni Zabala*

Fantastic shot. Main subject a little too off center.



#### **07 - Tarantula (Aphonopelma Chaleodes).jpg** *John Drum* One of the best macros I've ever seen. \*\*\*\*\*



#### **08 - Western Honey Bee (Apis mellifera) Collecting Pollen.jpg** *Carol Silveira*

Excellent focusing. Composition could make it better with less of the flower showing.



# 09 - Western Polished Lady Beetle (Cycloneda polita).jpg

*Carole Gan* Great colors, but lacks strong focus. \*\*\*



## 10 - Wildflower, Kona, Hawaii.jpg

*Carole Gan* Nicely done. Background colors a little to strong. \*\*\*\*



11 - Gum Plant and a Grass Hopper.jpg Jerry LoomisStunning. Well composed. The yellow line in the upper left corner is distracting \*\*\*\*



#### **12 - Monarchs PG-2.jpg** *Jerry Loomis* Beautiful clear and well co

Beautiful, clear and well composed. \*\*\*\*

# Winning Images:

Honorable Mentions:

Orb Spider & Web Joni Zabala



Monarchs PG 2 Jerry Loomis



Gum Plants and Grasshopper Jerry Loomis



Third Place

Cape Marguerite with Dew *Christene Johnson* 



# 2nd Place:



Douglas Iris John Drum

First Place:

Tarantula (Aphonopelma Chaleodes) John Drum



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#### **01-Blue Flower with Friends.jpg**

Christina Parsons Creative use of colors, tones and patterns. Outstanding image with some emotional impact. Wonderful details and coloration. Great use of blurred background and lighting.. \*\*\*\*\*



**02-Dandelion (Taraxacum officinale).jpg** *Bill Shewchuk* This photo would be much better with the background cropped out. \*\*\*\*



#### **03-Diamond Like Raindrops on Peony Leaves.jpg** *Don Eastman* Great example of a well done macro. Beautiful details and well composed. \*\*\*\*



## 04-Fibonacci Patterns in Aloe.jpg

Sandie McCafferty Excellent composition and detail. The little dark spots, although a part of the subject, are distracting. A slight bit of contrast would also help. \*\*\*\*



**05-Flower Tower.jpg** *Christina Parsons* Excellent details and good use of dark background. Difficult to determine main area of interest. \*\*\*



## **06-Golden Chia (Salvia columbariae).jpg** *Bill Shewchuk*

Outstanding detail, coloration and use of background. Great example of a successful macro image. \*\*\*\*\*



### 07-Growth on Dead Wood.jpg

Carol Fuessenich Very well composed and engaging photo. The white dots (sand?) while part of the image, are distracting. \*\*\*\*



#### 08-Half-edged Wall Jumping Spider.jpg Kent Van Vuren

Excellent macro work. DOF is difficult to manage with macro and this photo could be more impactful if the entire subject was in focus. \*\*\*\*



#### 09-Honeybee on Pink Rose Blossom.jpg Don Eastman

The detailed texture and coloration of the rose is what makes this photo. Might consider removing the bee. \*\*\*\*



# 10-Impatiens.jpg

Dick Light

Excellent coloration and detail. The background works well with the subject. Would be even better if the flower could be cleaned up a bit.



**11-Inside a Giant Scabious-Cephalaria leucantha.jpg** *Ken Jones* Well done, warm and inviting with excellent detail. Good composition. \*\*\*\*\*



#### **12-Lichens Gathered.jpg** *Ken Jones*

Excellent detail. Lacks main area of interest. Perhaps a closer crop would improve it.



## 13-Orange Day Lily.jpg

*Dick Light* Beautiful coloration and details. The background enhances the main subject. \*\*\*\*



**14-Pacific Tree Frog.jpg** *Kent Van Vuren* Well done, especially the frog's eyes. \*\*\*\*



## 15-Pretty In Pink.jpg

*Charlie Gibson* One of the most inviting photos in the group. Has emotional impact. Great composition, detail and coloration. \*\*\*\*\*



### 16-Prickly Pear, Opuntia humifusa.jpg

Janet Azevedo Good detail, lacks key area of interest. Perhaps a tighter crop would improve the image. \*\*\*



#### **17-Scoulers Surfgrass, Phyllospadix scouleri.jpg** *Janet Azevedo* Interesting image with good detail. Would be improved if the main subject was more in focus. \*\*\*



#### **18-Setting Sun Shines on a Mussel Shell.jpg** *Carol Fuessenich* Excellent coloration. Cropping out a bit of the right

side would help balance the image.



# 19-Succulent Blossoms.jpg

#### Charlie Gibson

Warm and inviting image. More distinction between the subject and the upper left background would be helpful. \*\*\*\*



#### **20-What Big Eyes You Have! Rambur's Forktail, Kauai.jpg** *Sandie McCafferty*

Excellent macro. Placing the subject just a little more to the right would create more interest.

# Winning Images:

Honorable Mentions:

Golden Chia Bill Shewchuk



Honeybee on Pink Rose Blossom Don Eastman





# Succulent Blossoms Charlie Gibson



Third Place

Inside a Giant Scabious-Cephalaria leucantha *Ken Jones* 



2nd Place:



Blue Flower with Friends Chritina Parson First Place:



Pretty in Pink Charlie Gibson adre Trails Camera Club Nature #2 competition - Macros- 03/20/2024 Group Red Comments Judged by: Richard Cannon





# 01-Coast Paintbrush.jpg

Brooks G. Leffler This image has excellent detail, coloration and composition. A real winner! \*\*\*\*\*



**02-Common flower fly (Syrphus ribesii).jpg** Sara Courtneidge The incredible detail makes this image stand out. Well balance composition.



### **03-Grouping mushrooms.jpeg** *Brian Spiegel*

Excellent details and sharpness. The background is a little busy and distracting.

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# 04-Lichen on Antler on Moss.jpg

Brooks Leffler As a macro, this image would be better with some creative cropping. \*\*\*



#### **05-Mini Daffodils and Eupeodes Corollae, Female** (Fabricius, 1794).jpg *Clarissa Conn* The dark background works perfectly to bring the viewers attention to the wonderful colors and composition.

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#### **06-Mushroom caught in light.jpeg** *Brian Spiegel*

The blurred background and the view angle both help bring attention to the main subject. \*\*\*\*



## 07-Mushroom-1.jpg

David Eisen

The focus seems to be on both the main mushroom and the background, making it difficult to know what was intended to be th main subject. \*\*\*



# 08-Spotted tussock moth caterpillar (Lophocampa maculata).jpeg

Sara Courtneidge Incredible detail, excellent coloration and well composed. \*\*\*\*\*



# 09-Wet petals-1.jpg

David Eisen Excellent detail and coloration. The background competes with the main subject and more could be more blurred.

# Winning Images:

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Spotted tussock moth caterpillar Sara Courtneidge



Wet Petals - 1 David Eisen



Mushroom caught in light Brian Spiegel



Third Place

Mini Daffodils & Eupeodeles corollae, female (Fabricius, 1794) *Clarissa Conn* 



# 2nd Place:



**Common Flower Fly** Sara Courtneidge

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Coast Paintbrush Brooks Leffler

