

# Ocala Camera Club 2013 Monthly Themes

**January 2014** Meeting Tuesday 1/7/2014 [due Sunday 12/29/13]

**REFLECTIONS** There are reflections all around us. Anything from water to mirrors would qualify but maybe you can find something more creative. Remember to give us quality images with good composition and exposure.

**February 2014** Meeting Tuesday 2/4/14 [due Sunday 1/26/14]

**Open**

**March 2014** Meeting Tuesday 3/4/14 [due Sunday 2/23/14]

**LIGHT PAINTING** Images must be a time exposure taken in darkness. Outside at night or inside. A tripod is a must. You may use one light source - flash or continuous - moving around the subject to light it in a creative way. Use a hand held flash fired multiple times in different positions. Use a flash light or other incandescent light in multiple positions to illuminate the subject. Plan your shot in advance so you know how long to expose and where your light needs to be.

**April 2014** Meeting Tuesday 4/1/14 [due Sunday 3/23/14]

**SHADOWS** Don't confuse shadows with silhouettes. We want to see you make an image based on a shadow cast by something. Remember composition and give us something interesting to look at.

**May 2014** Meeting Tuesday 5/6/14 [due Sunday 4/27/14]

**Open**

**June 2014** Meeting Tuesday 6/3/14 [due Sunday 5/25/14]

**GLASS CONTAINERS** Wine bottles to vases there are always plenty of glass containers around. Use your light well to give us a striking image. Glass can be tricky to light so try several different techniques.

**July 2014** Meeting Tuesday 7/1/14 [due Sunday 6/22/14]

**FLOWERS** The ever popular theme of flowers is back for 2014. Flowers are a wonderful subject because there are so many ways to shoot them. Think creatively and give us something special.

**August 2014** Meeting Tuesday 8/5/14 [due Sunday 7/27/14]

**Open**

**September 2014** Meeting Tuesday 9/2/14 [due Sunday 8/24/14]

**TOYS IN ACTION** The toys can be anything from Barbie G. I. Joe to a full size motorcycle or boat. Baby toys, dog toys or grown-up toys can be used. Remember that the toys are the subject and they should be the focal point. You can stage a scene with small toys or catch the big ones in real action.

**October 2014** Meeting Tuesday 10/7/14 [due Sunday 9/28/14]

**ALTERED REALITY** Here's is you chance to really give us something out of this world. This month is all about subject and composition choices. Do NOT just throw some quick filters on an image and think it is altered reality. We really want you to extend yourself on this one. This topic does not have to be photo realistic but it can't just be filters.

**November 2014** Meeting Tuesday 11/4/14 [due Sunday 10/26/14]

**Field Trips**

This is somewhat open in that any subject matter or camera technique is great. The only requirement is that the images must have been shot on an official club field trip.

**December 2014** Meeting Tuesday 12/2/14 [due Sunday 11/23/14]

**The Best of the Best**

This is the end of the year competition where the best images over the whole year are judged. The images do not need to be resubmitted as they will be saved from each monthly event.