

# August Contest Judge's Comments

## Judge 1

- 1- Attractive tone on the image. Focus missed the face and was on the back of the neck
- 2- Lovely capture. Beautifully soft background. Subject is appropriately sharp.
- 3- Macro shots are difficult. This one is not in focus and too tightly cropped.
- 4- Quite a bit of clutter. Sharpest focus is on back butterfly.
- 5- Cute snapshot. Move slightly to the left to get both faces in.
- 6- Auto focus was not your friend here. Completely missed the Koala. Background is very grainy.
- 7- Good texture capture. Shadows are a bit dark and the saturation, overall, is a bit much.
- 8- Nothing is in focus.
- 9- Nice colors and leading lines.
- 10- Attractive grouping of horses. Could be stronger if more tightly cropped to focus on subject and allow background to fade or disappear.
- 11- Interesting positioning of the shadow of the back of the second animal. Painterly effect in background is not needed.
- 12- Cute capture of the animals in water that is out of focus.
- 13- Beautiful head-study of the owl. Sky is too saturated. Not enough of the owl is in sharp focus.
- 14- Lovely image, wonderfully exposed. Nice bokeh. Good positioning of the animal in the frame.
- 15- Possibly a tighter crop would help here. Bug doesn't appear in focus.
- 16- Nice capture of fledgling. Vignetting would help deal with overly bright highlights.
- 17- Here the auto-focus captured the Koala completely. A square crop might work here too.
- 18- Marvelously timed capture. B&W conversion was a good idea to deal with overly bright highlights.
- 19- Yellow color cast is a bit overwhelming.
- 20- Shutter speed wasn't fast enough to stop action. Nothing is focus, not even the stationary elements.
- 21- Nice environmental portrait. Good tones and beautiful bokeh. Might be over-sharpened a touch.
- 22- Nothing is tack sharp. Background is blown out.