# OUT-OF-THE-BOX PHOTOGRAPHY

#### **KANATA SENIORS' CENTRE CAMERA CLUB JAY-DEE PURDIE FEBRUARY 2, 2024**



#### I'm curious about everything, even subjects that don't interest me.

Alex Trebek



## THIS TALK IS ABOUT ...

My "Serious" Side Photography as Art Photography Art Examples In-Camera & Post-Processing **Special Effects** Conceptual Art Artificial Intelligence (AI) **Mathematic** Things to Try



## MY "SERIOUS" PHOTOGRAPHY

**Mathematic** Action Macro **Wildlife** 

## as per the following examples ...

**M** Landscape

**Flowers** 













## ACTION







## MACRO















## FLOWERS



# **MYGOING-IN PREMISE...**

# PHOTOGRAPHY IS DEFINITELY AN ART FORM



## **CHANGING ART FORMS**

- Some art forms start off depicting "current" reality
- As time passes makers of the art try new ideas
- Some ideas stick ... others die on the vine
- This happens in painting, music, sculpture ... anything you refer to as art

#### IT EVEN HAPPENS IN PHOTOGRAPHY BECAUSE TECHNOLOGY CHANGES & PEOPLE CHANGE



# Photography doesn't always need to be what is in front of the camera lens or what the camera "saw"!



## **DARKROOM EDITING**



### **Portrait of Audrey Hepburn** by **Dennis Stock**







## SO, WHAT EXACTLY IS OUT-OF-THE-BOX PHOTOGRAPHY





## THAT DEPENDS ... on how much you want to push out of your comfort zone.



## SOME DEFINITIONS

#### **ABSTRACT PHOTOGRAPHY**

Images created using photography materials and equipment that don't have an immediate association with the physical world.

#### EXPERIMENTAL PHOTOGRAPHY

An experimental photography technique may be defined as anything that one uses to alter or otherwise change photography in a manner that differs from just taking a photograph.

#### **IN-CAMERA**

Minimum or no post-processing; special effects applied when the photo is taken.

#### **POST-PROCESSING**

Editing software used to alter the image.

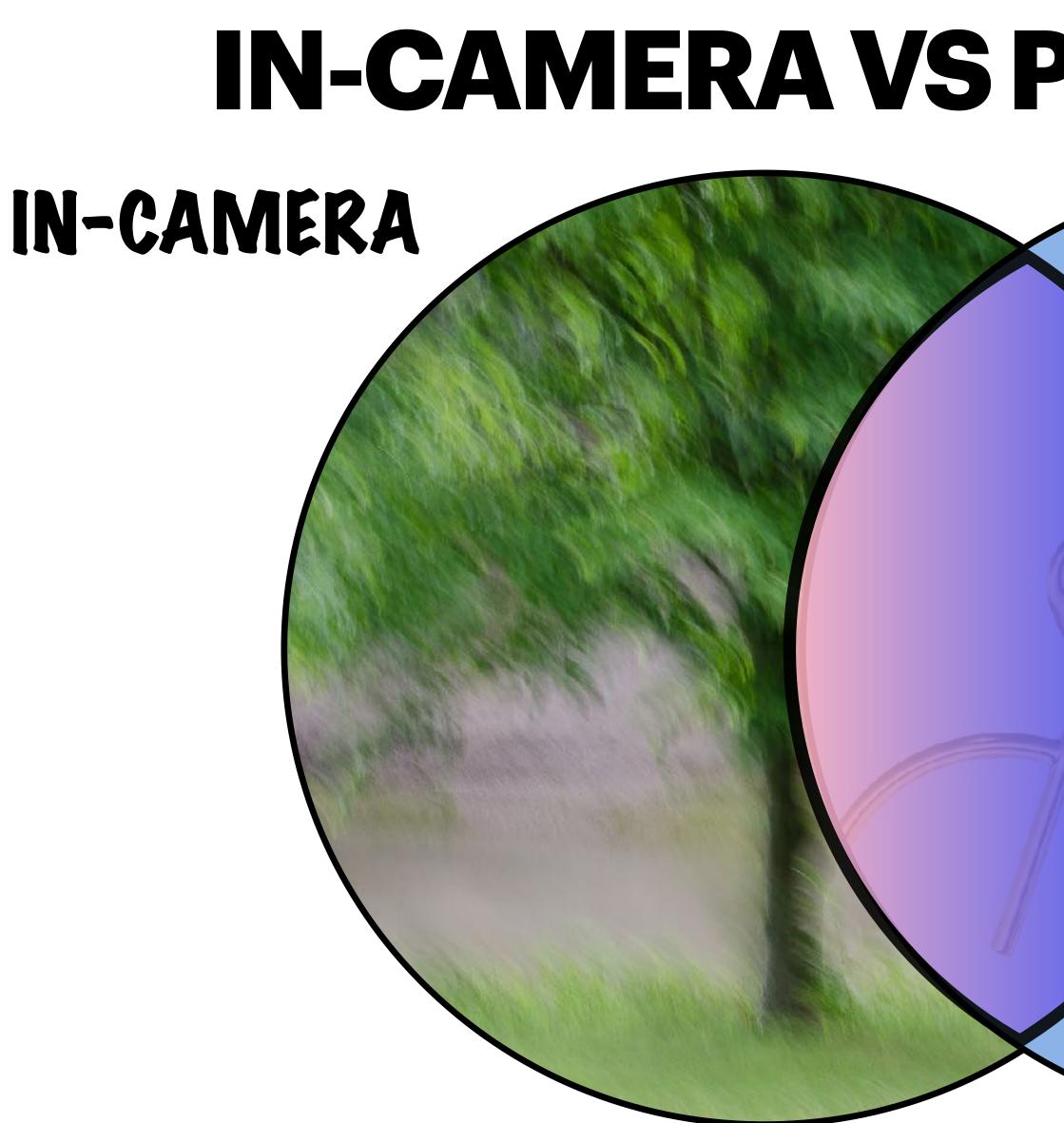


### **ABSTRACT VS EXPERIMENTAL**

## ABSTRACT PHOTOGRAPHY/







### **IN-CAMERA VS POST-PROCESSING**

#### **POST-PROCESSING**



## WHAT'S THE NAME FOR THESE?

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ABSTRACT

# POST PROCESSING ?



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#### IN CAMERA ?

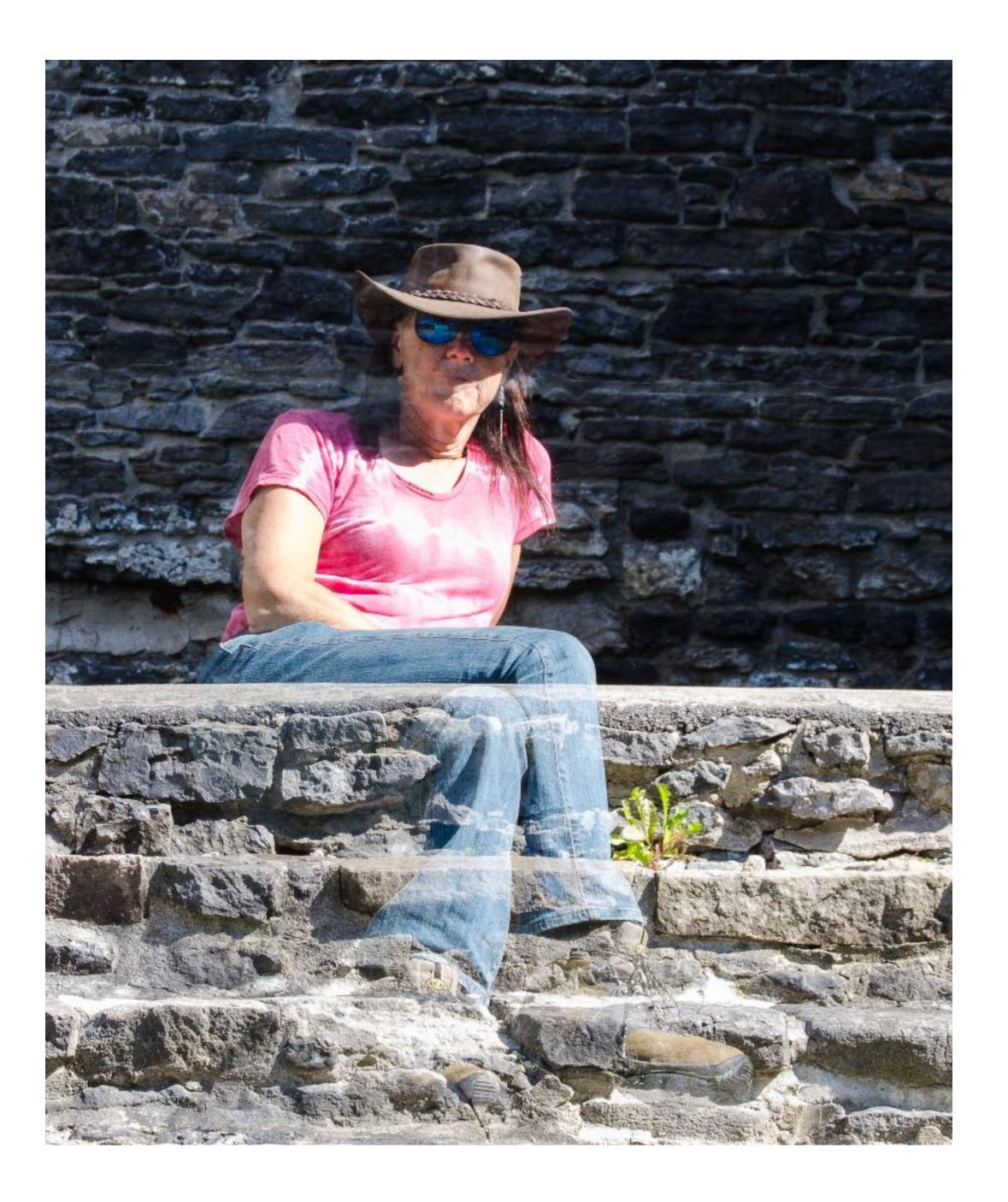


## I CALL IT ... OUT-OF-THE-BOX PHOTOGRAPHY



# SOME EXAMPLES OF IN-CAMERA













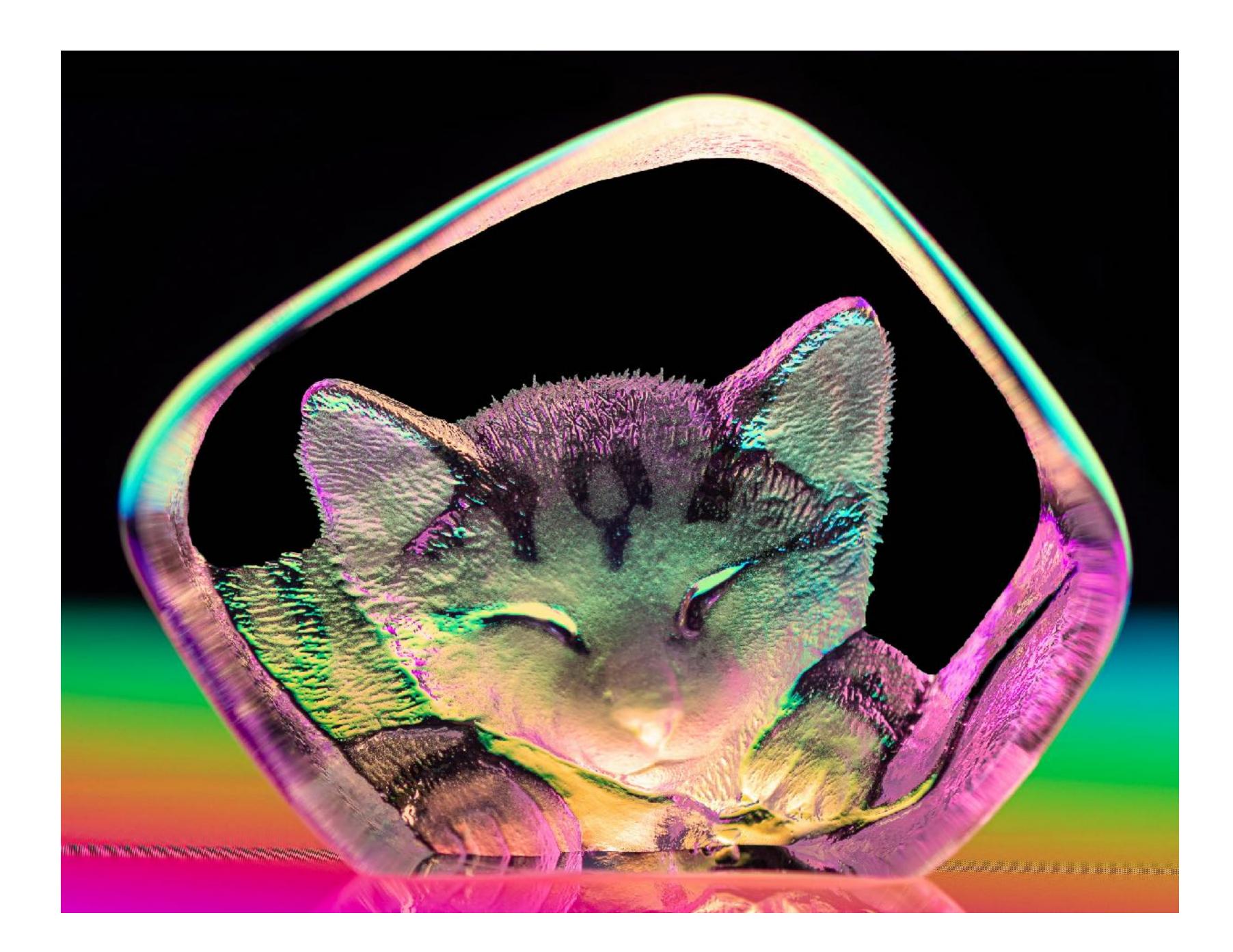












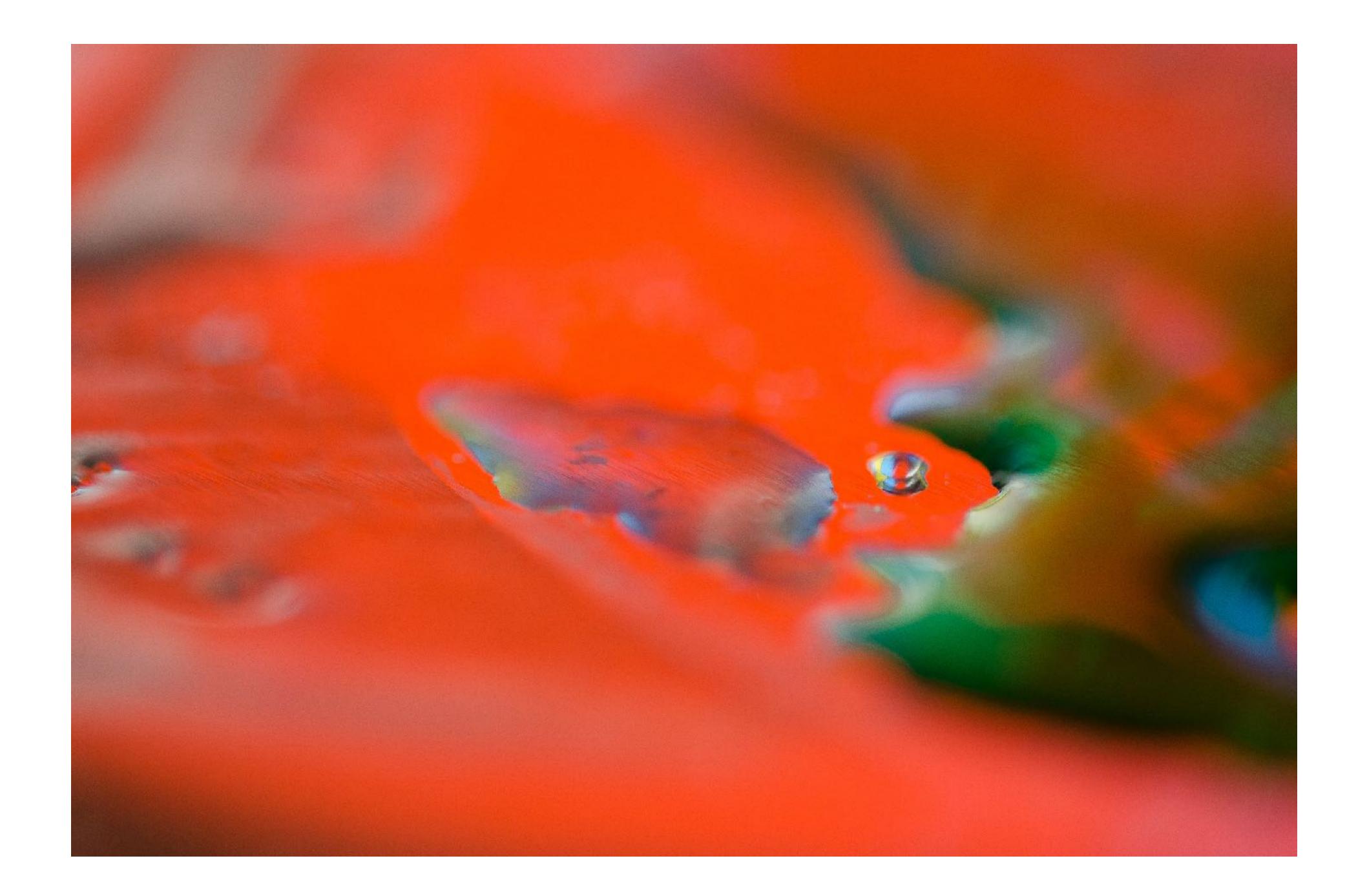




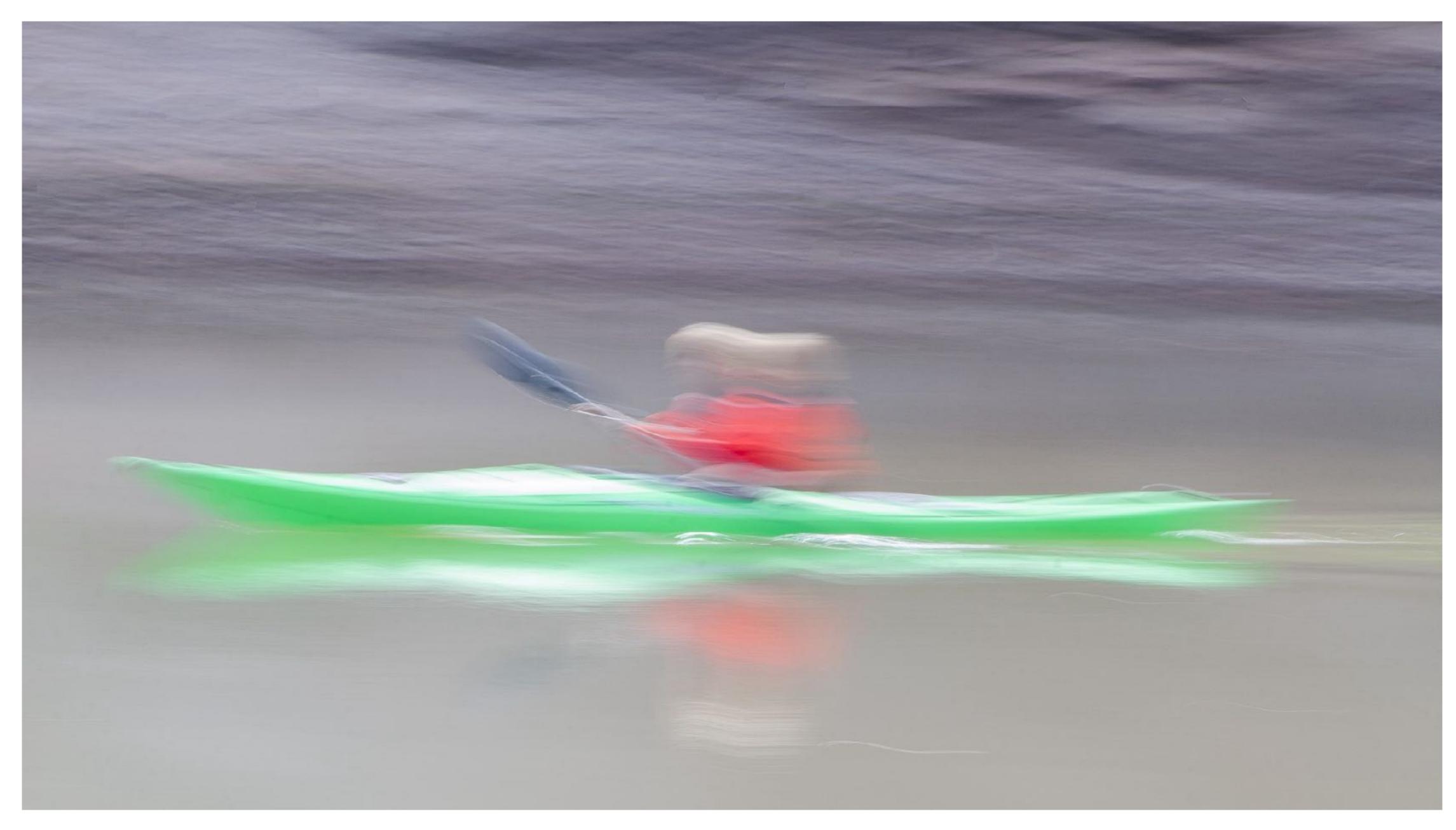








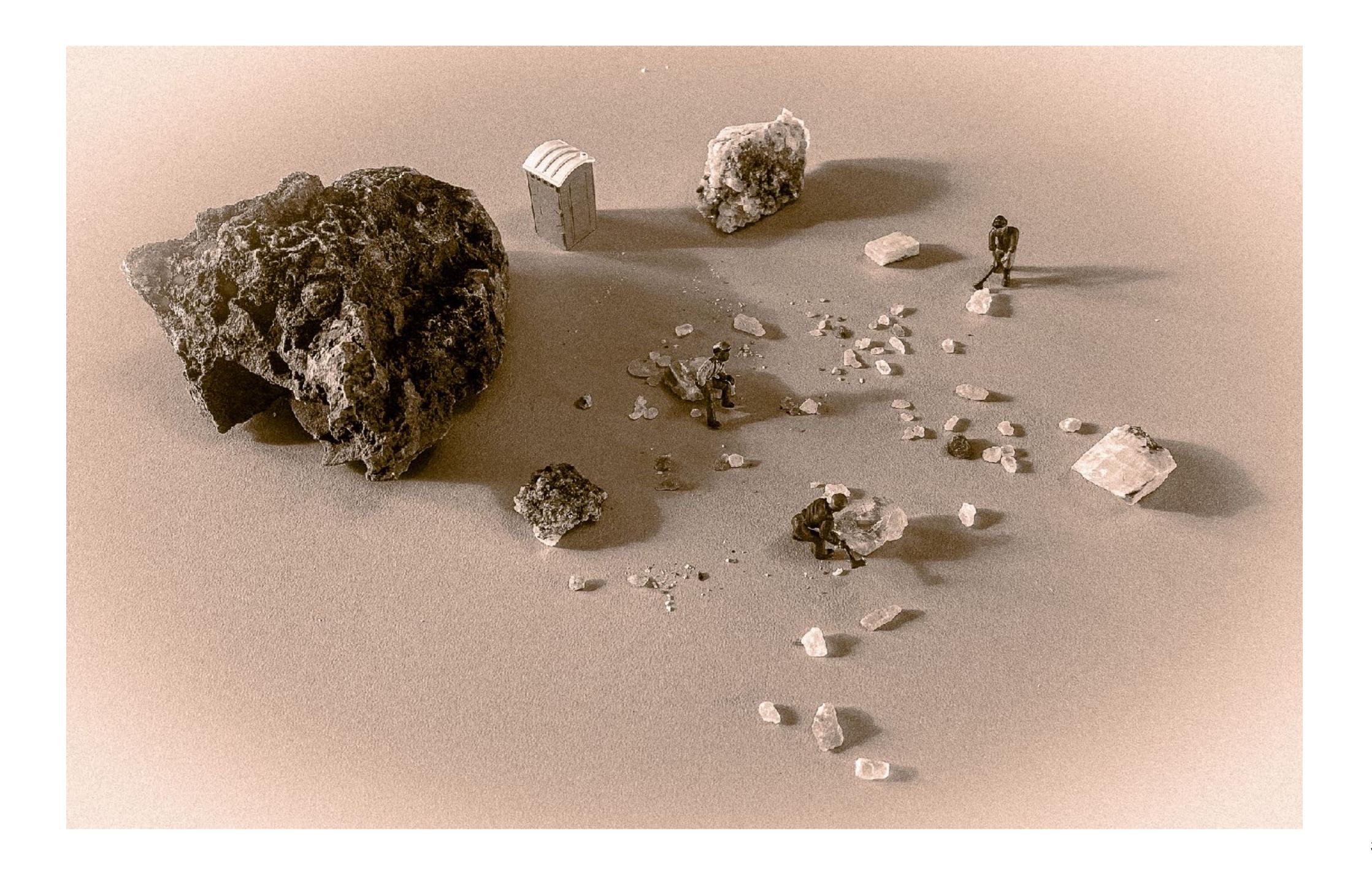






















# SOME EXAMPLES OF POST-PROCESSING

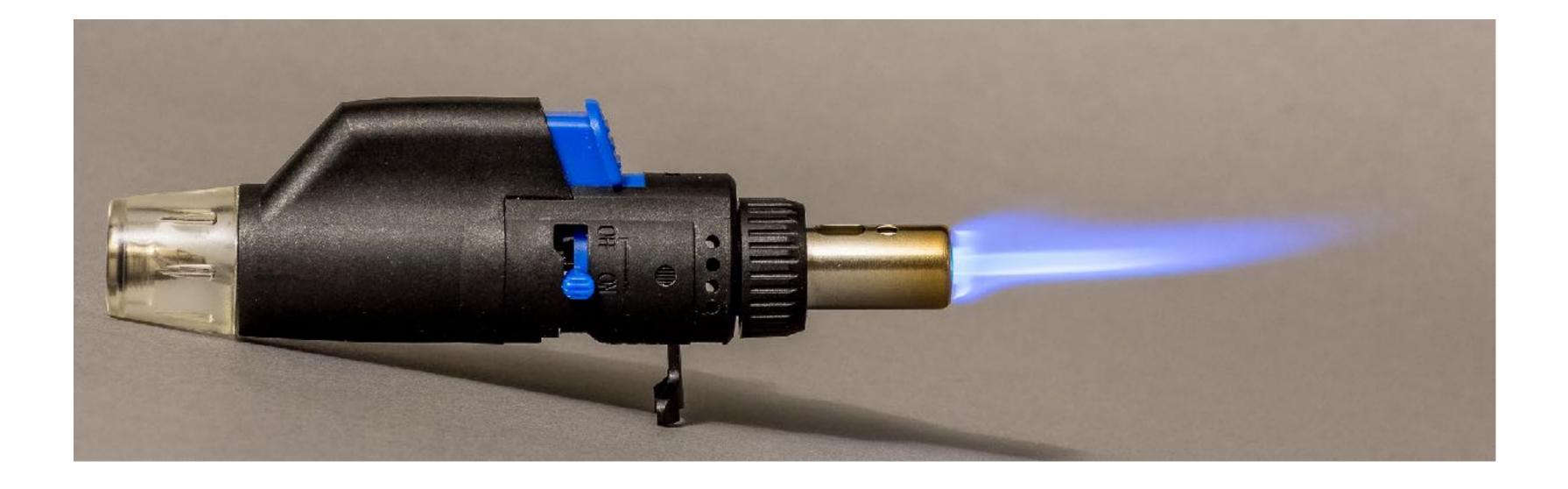


## ... ANOTHER DEFINITION

- **COMPOSITE** ... the technique of combining in a single image composition pictorial elements from various sources, as parts of different photographs either ...
  - to give the illusion that the elements belonged together originally or,
  - for each image to retain its separate identity as a means of adding interest or meaning to the composition.



# SOME EXAMPLES...





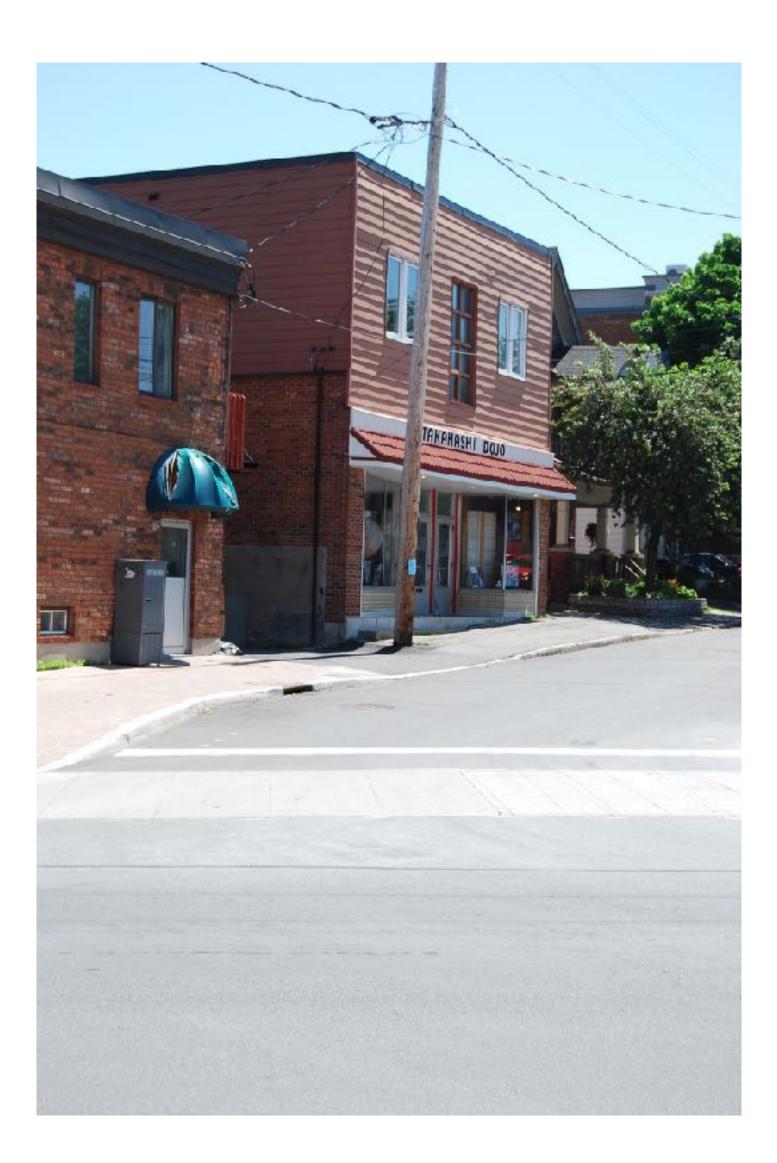




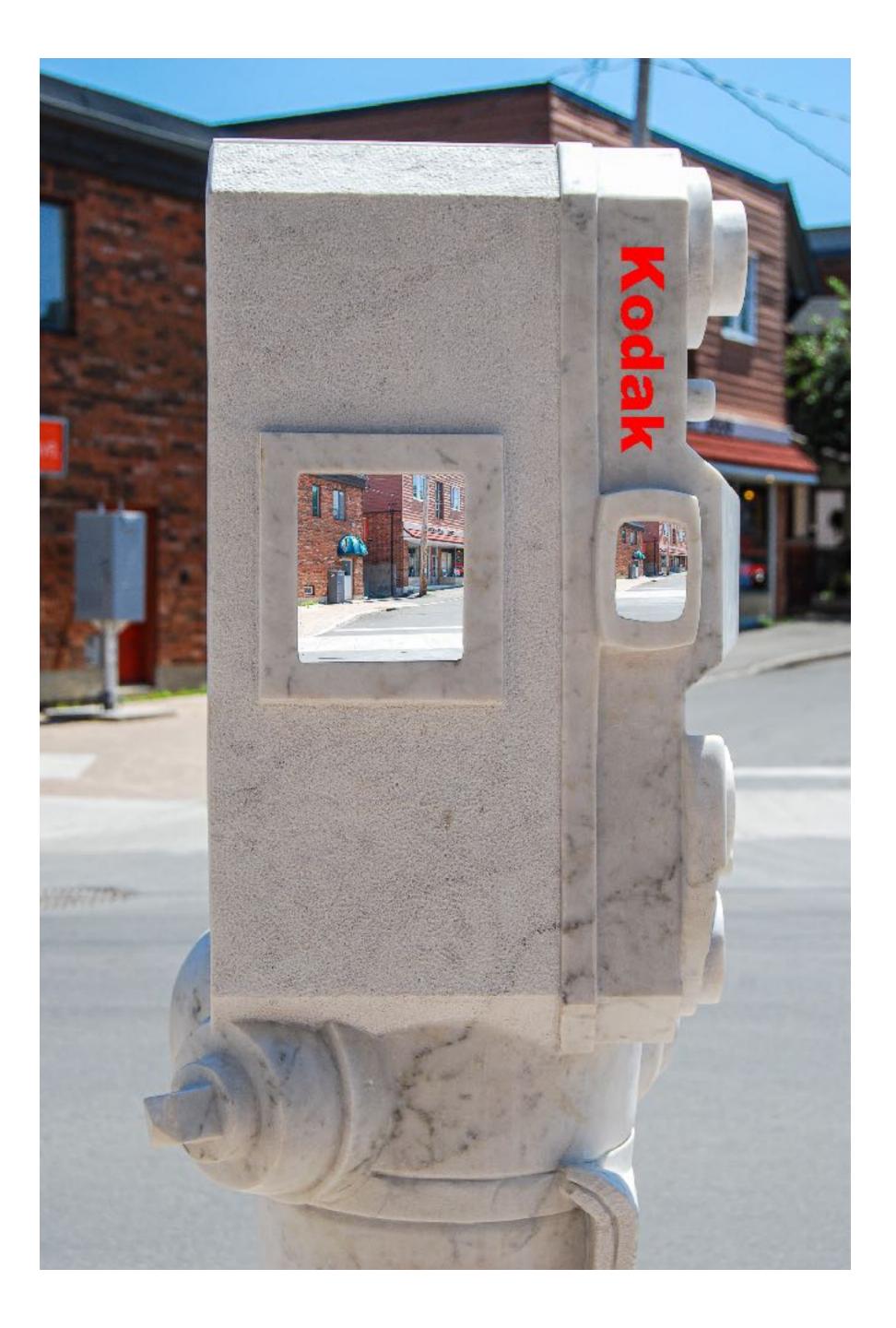








































## June 2012 Photo Review:

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Want to Know W Do After Dark?

Playbug Nonthly

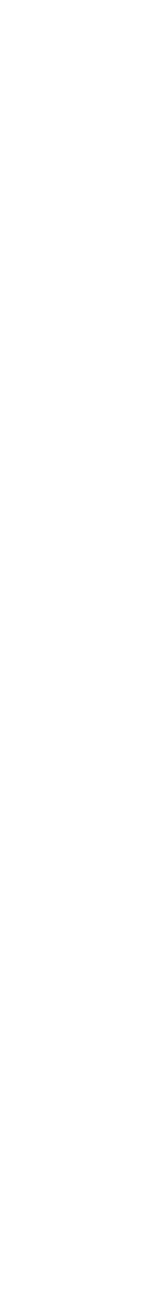
#### \$12.99 June 2012 Playbug Monthly

**Threesome on a Daisy** 

#### **las 24 Hours:** a Headache?

Want to Know What Nightcrawlers

Photo by Jay-Dee Catherine Purdie



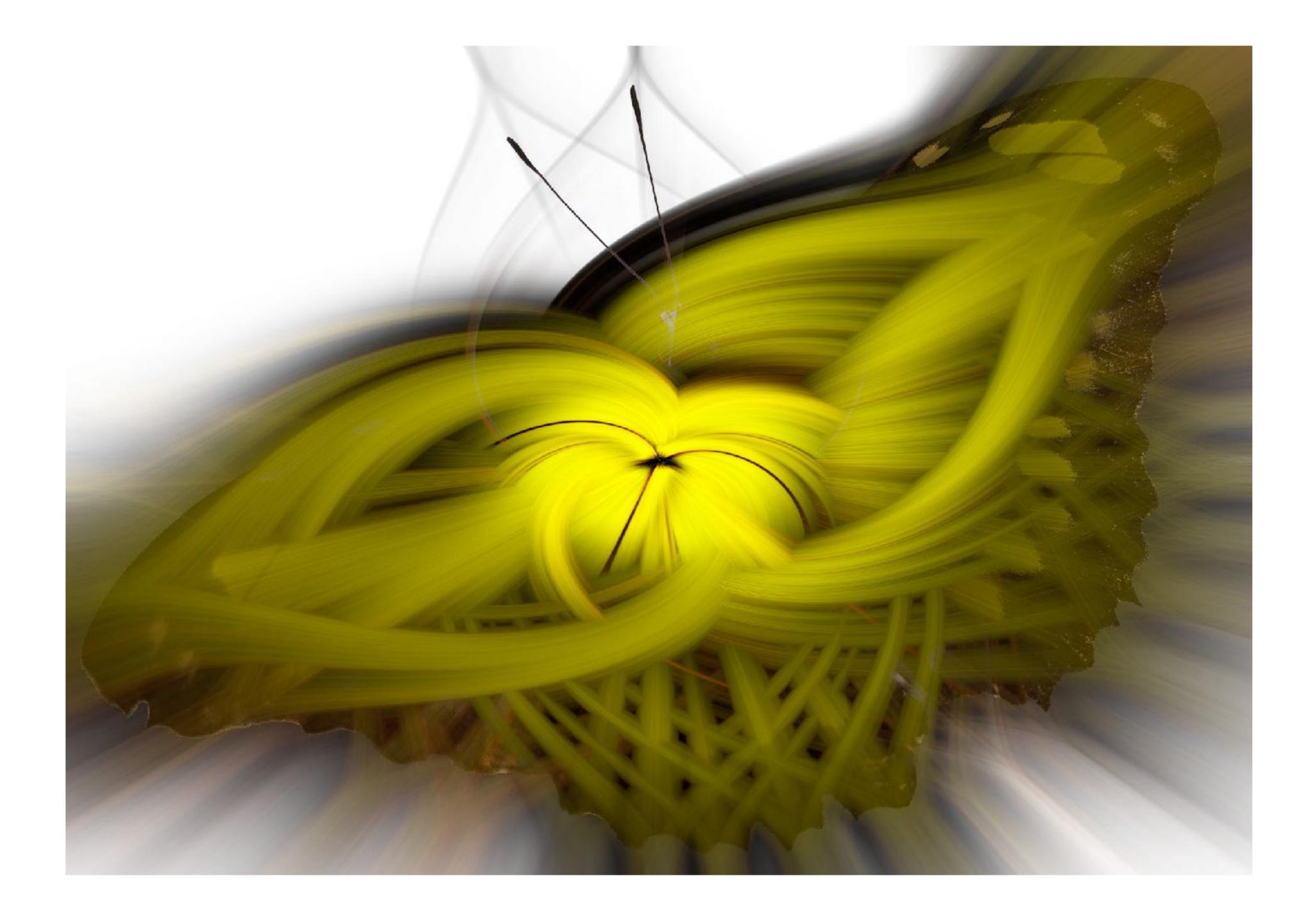
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# LAST FEW EXAMPLES OF SPECIAL EFFECTS









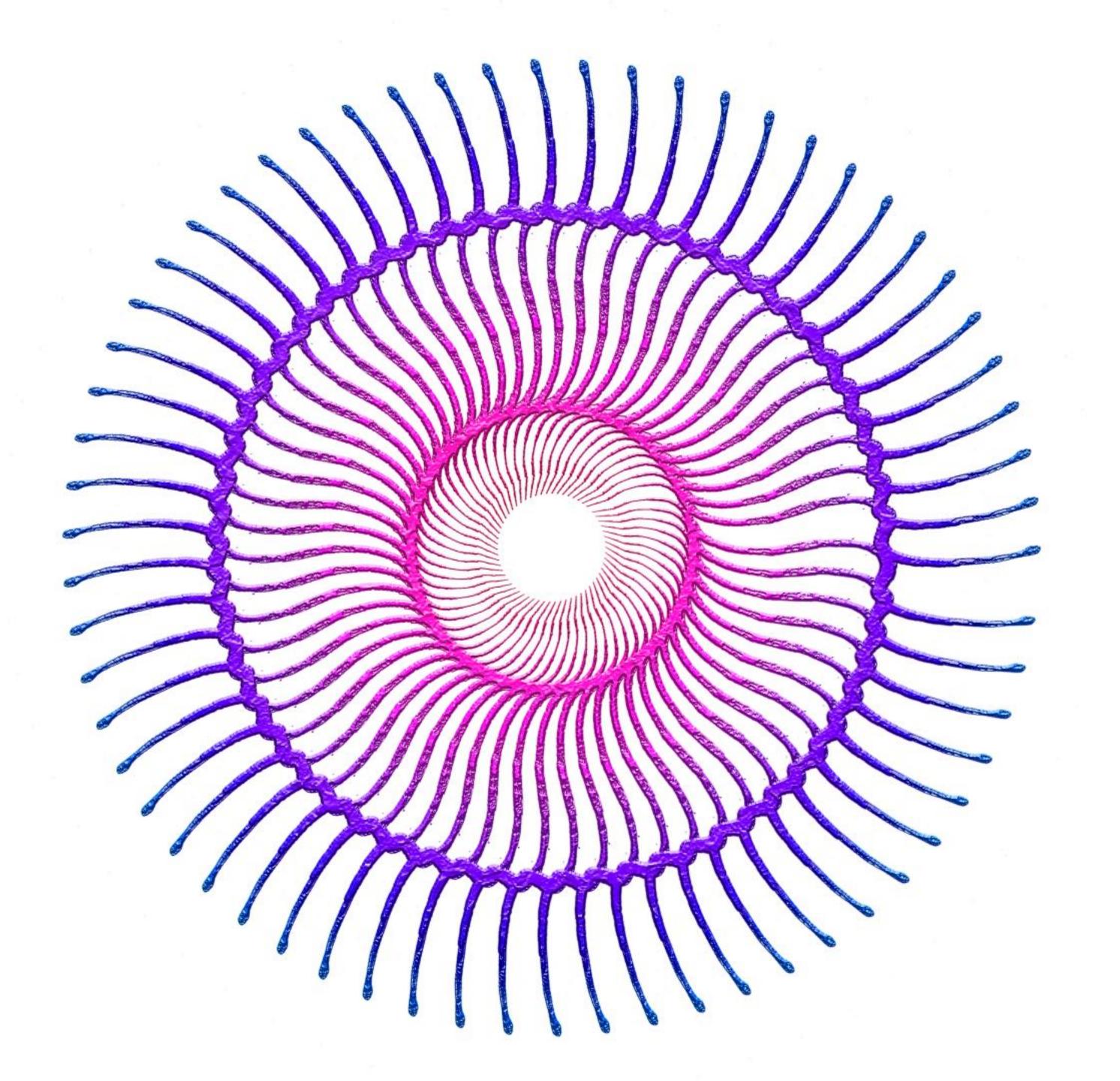














# **CONCEPTUAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

- Conceptual art ... the idea behind the art piece is the most important part of the art work
- Conceptual photography ... picture of an idea ... construct a false reality
- JEFF WALL ... photographer & art historian
- Many of his photos represent paintings by famous masters
- He creates his still images as if he was shooting a movie
- Photography can create reality ... seeing is no longer believing.







### **A SUDDEN GUST OF WIND**



Based on block print "Travellers Caught in a Sudden Breeze at Ejiri" (c. 1832) by Hokusai.



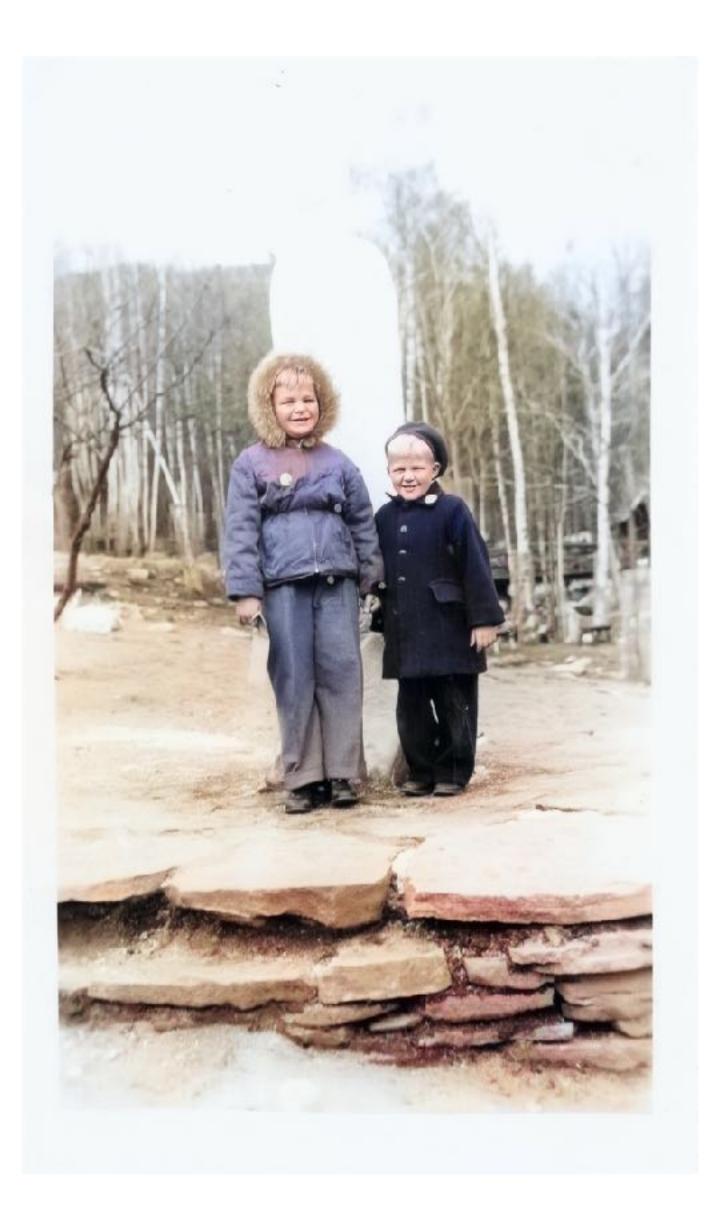
# WHAT ABOUT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE? Al engines generate art from natural language parameters

Midjourney DALLE·E 2 Imagine Photoshop



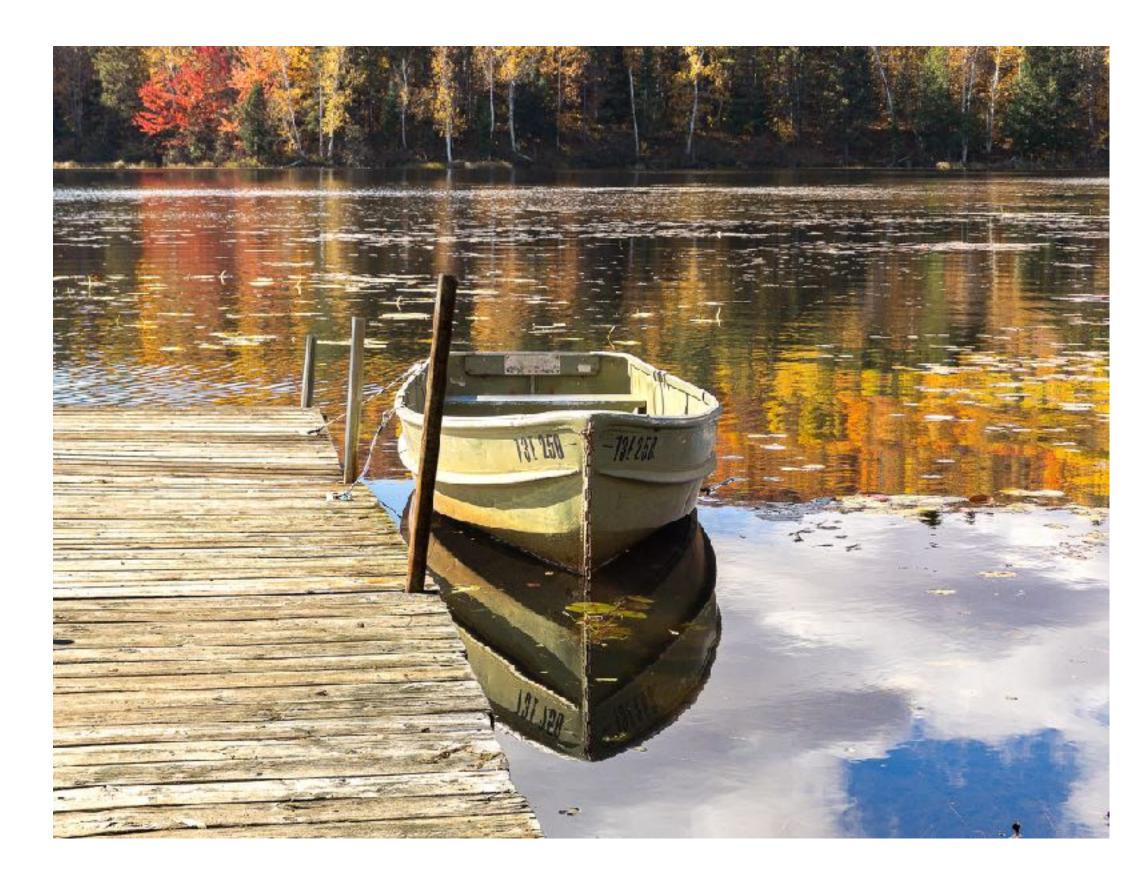
## PHOTOSHOP NEURAL FILTERS







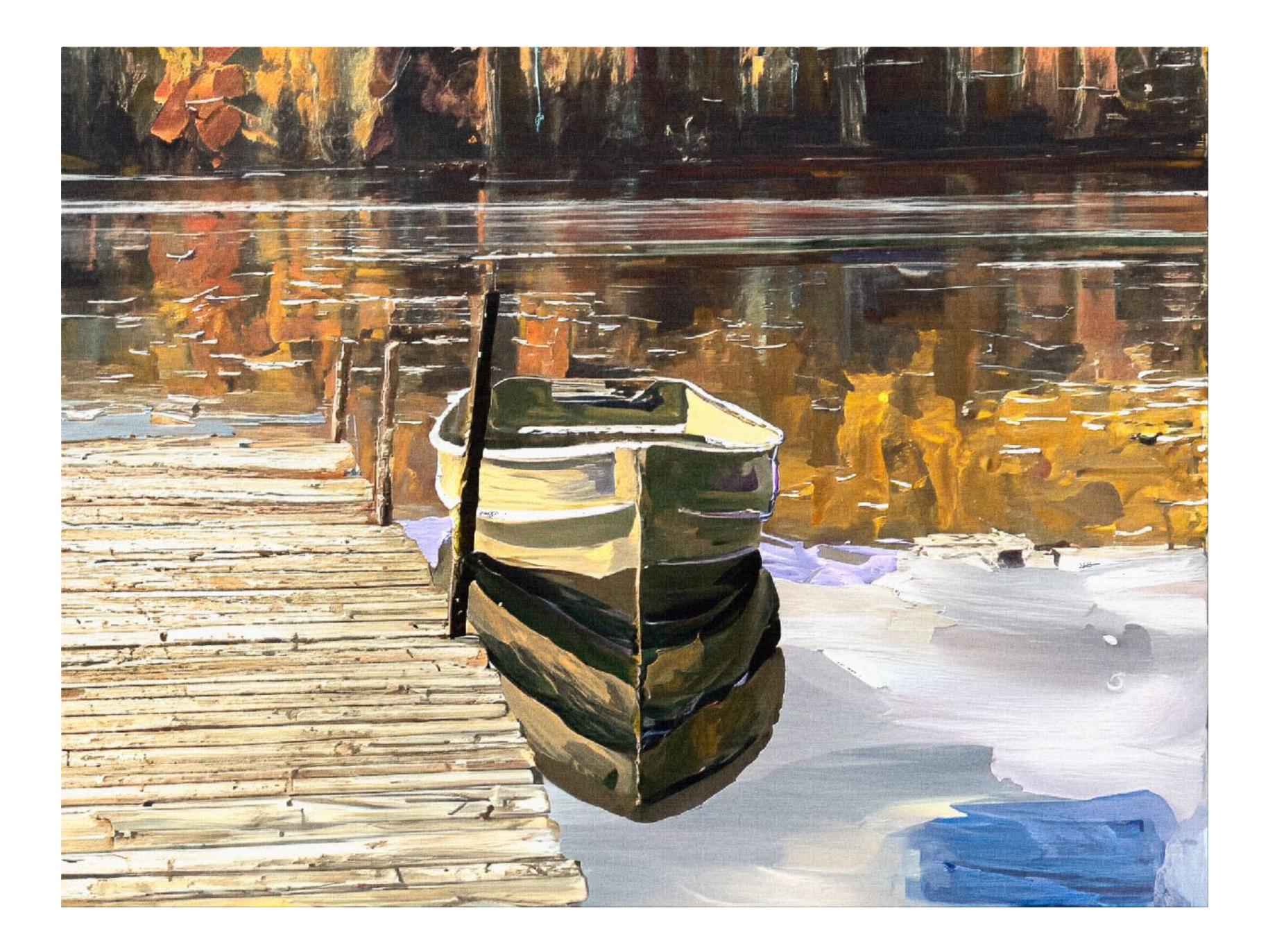
## PHOTOSHOP AI "GENERATE"



### **PROMPT = "OIL PAINTING"**













# ... OTHER WAYS TO CREATE ART

#### Video

- Different/unusual lighting
- Replicate the past with old film types
- Emulate famous art work
- Photo restoration
- **Special cameras**



# QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

