

Seeing Beyond the Subject

Session 3

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Seeing Beyond the Subject

- Engage your vision for the final image
- Use structure and design elements to guide the viewer
- Reframe and simplify the image
- Make the image your own, especially with light and shadow

Assignment 2: Participants' Images



Nancy Mack



Jeff Sarembock



Kay Hale



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David Mann



Martha Hedge

Reframe and Simplify the Image



Reframing: Finding the best arrangement of forms in the image



“A good photograph is knowing where to stand.” – Ansel Adams

Reframing: Finding the best arrangement of forms in the image



Alfred Stieglitz

Reframing: Finding the best arrangement of forms in the image



Todd Webb

Reframing: Finding the best arrangement of forms in the image



Georgia O'Keeffe

Reframing Example



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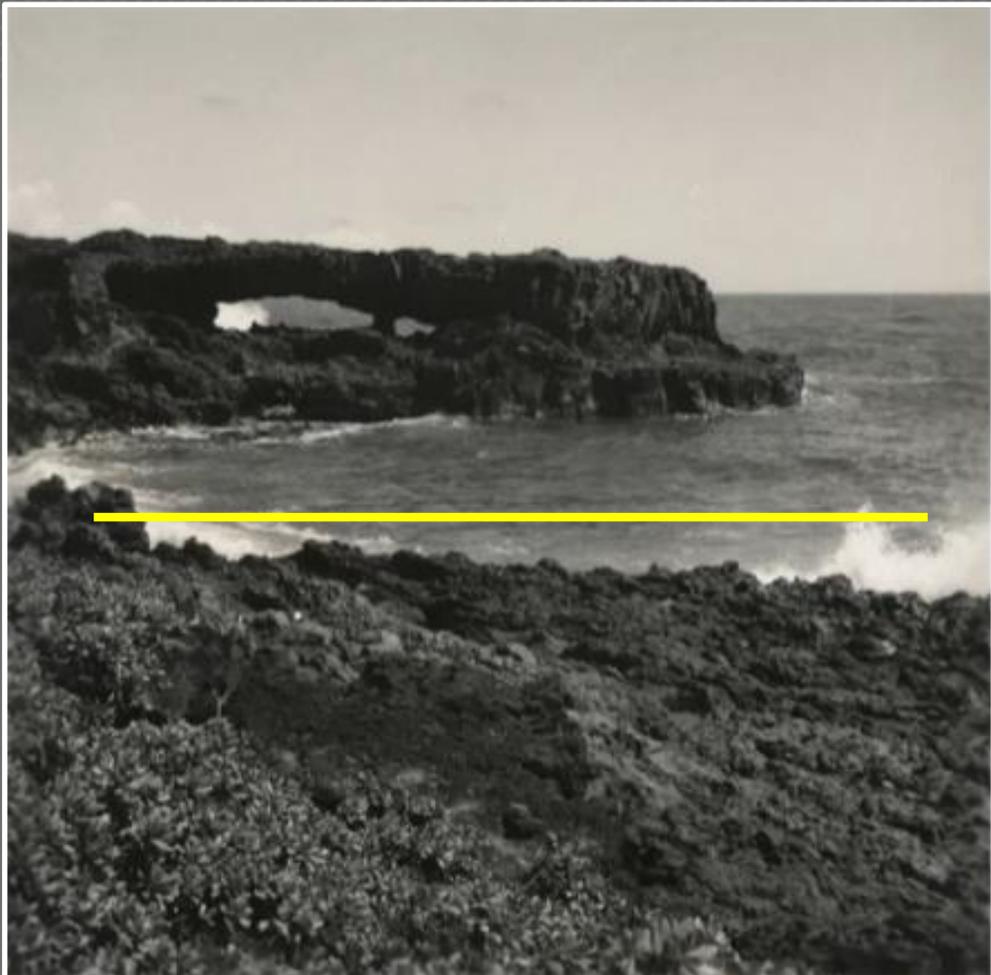


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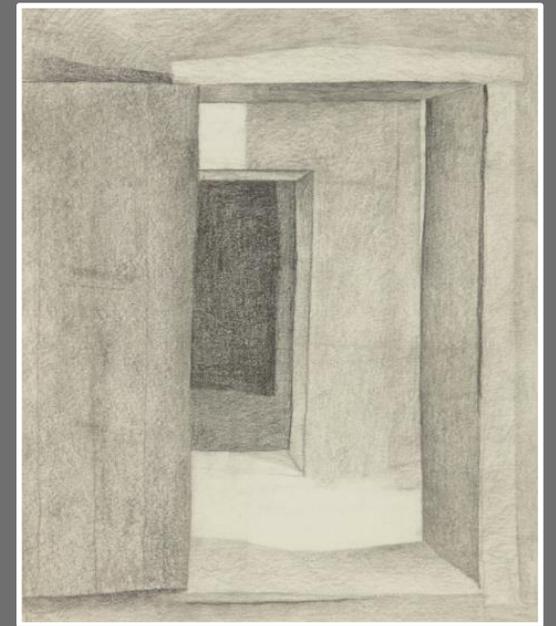
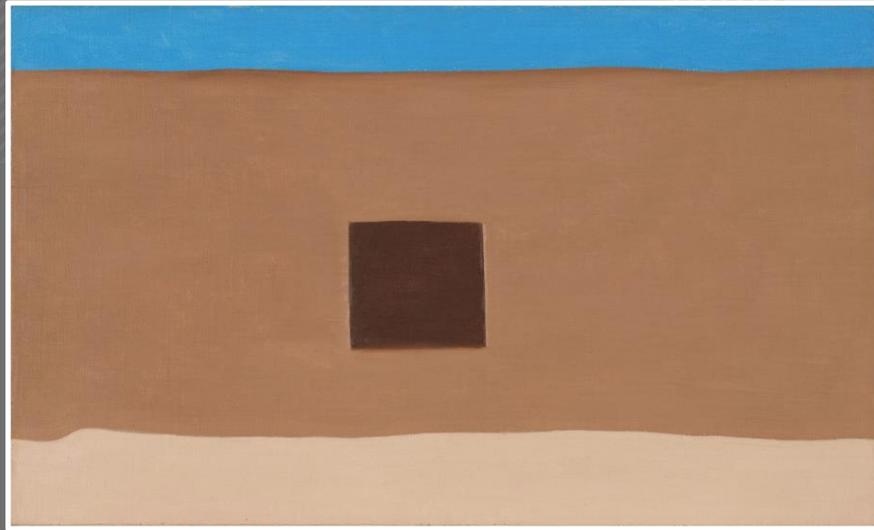
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Georgia O'Keeffe



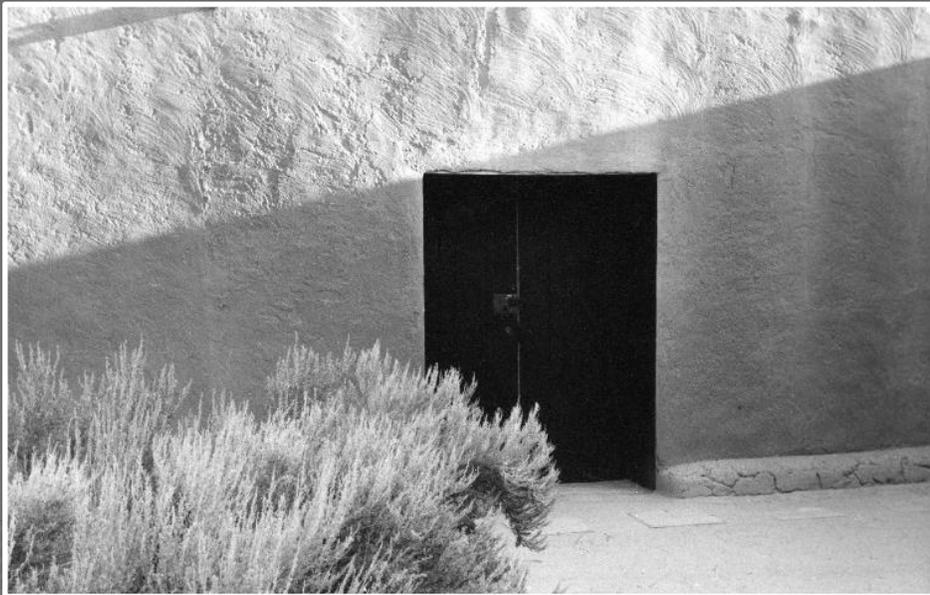
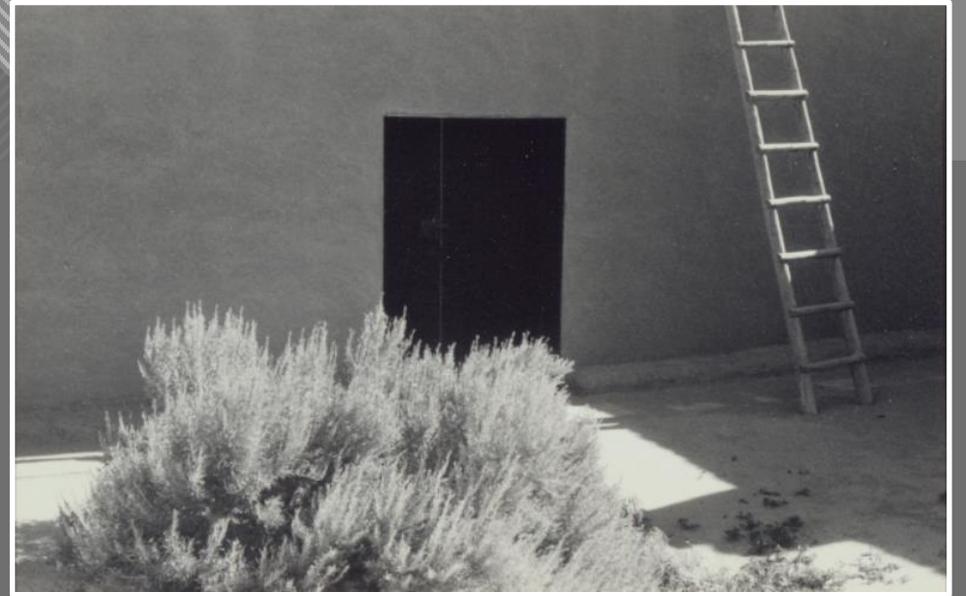
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Reframing Black Door

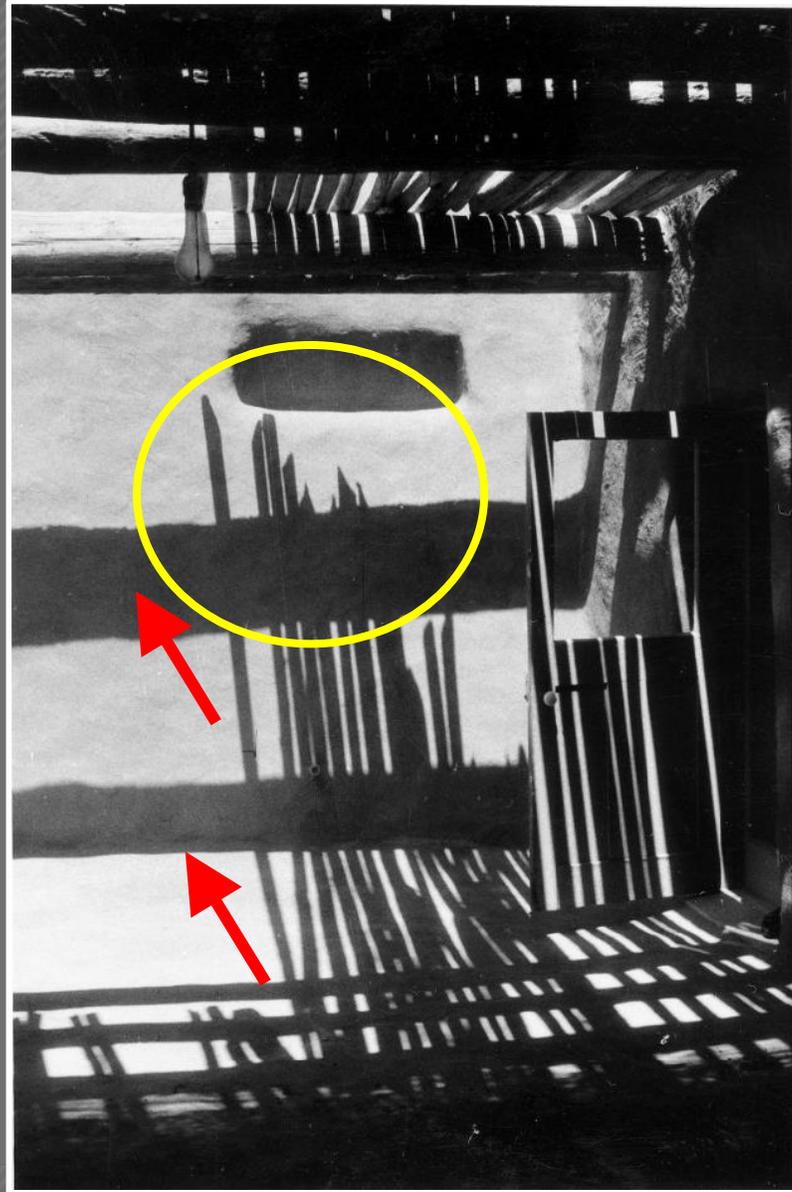
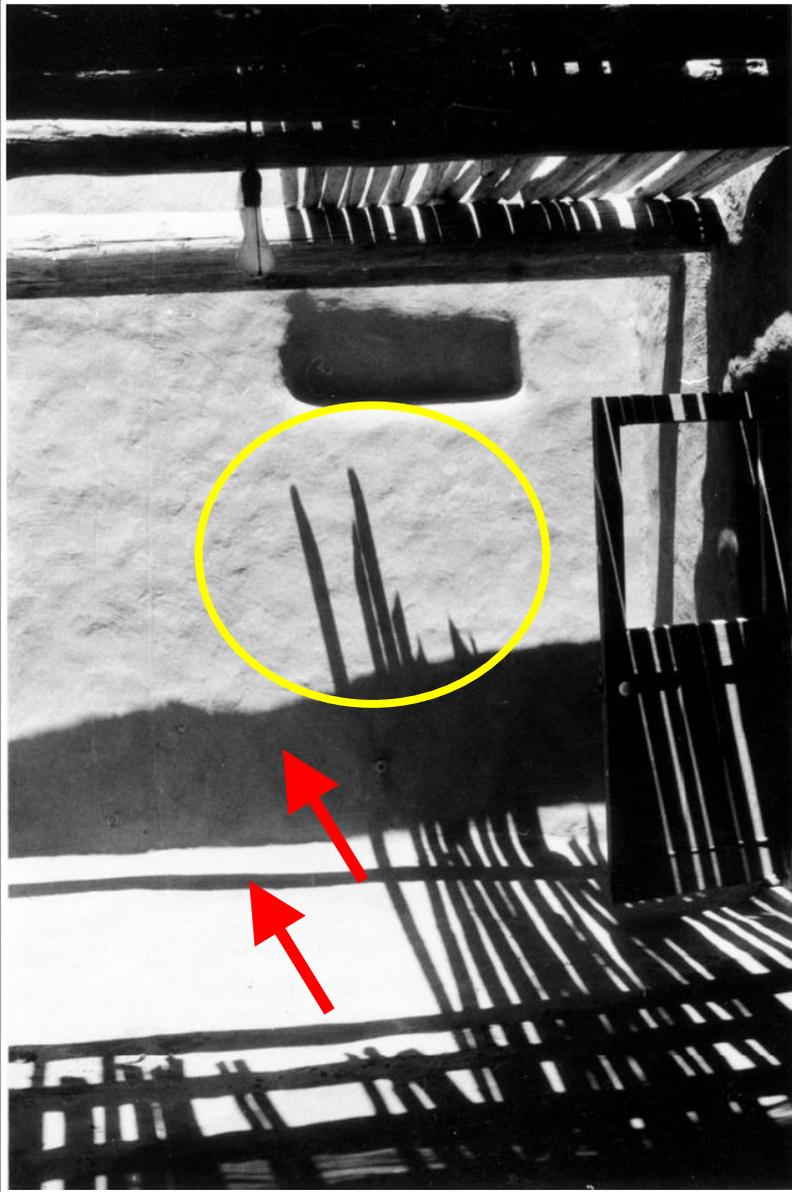
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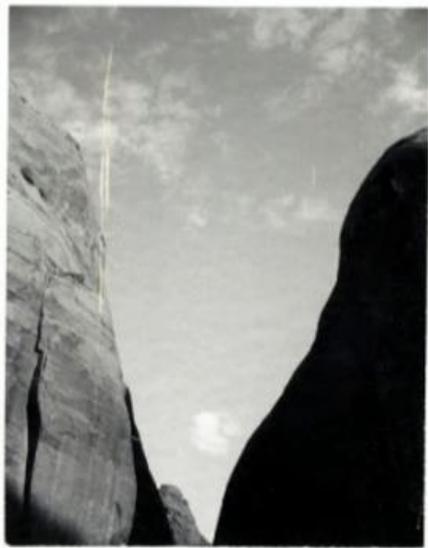
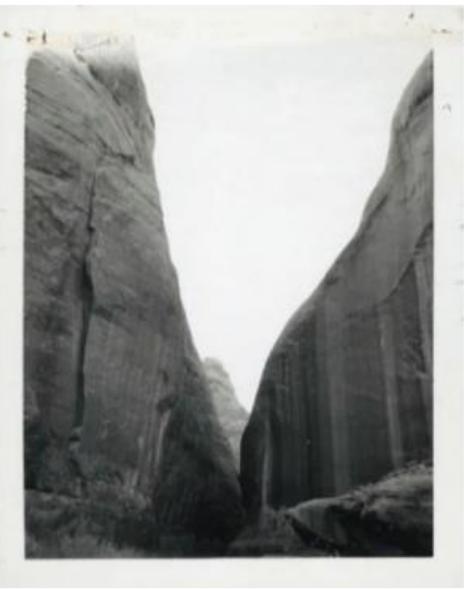




Georgia O'Keeffe



Roofless Room
Georgia O'Keeffe



Georgia O'Keeffe



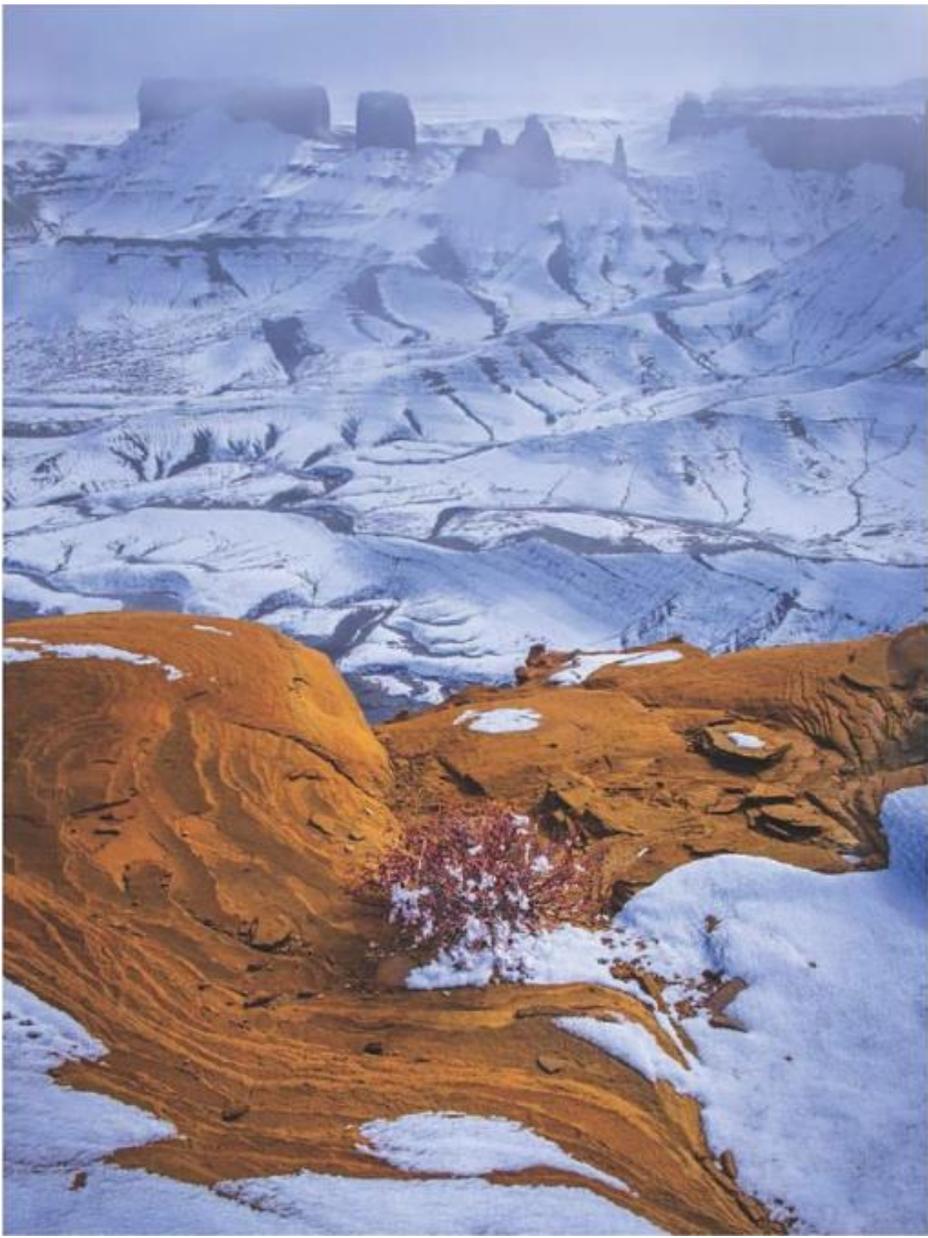
Still — in a way — nobody sees a
flower — really — it is so small — we
haven't time — and **to see takes
time** like to have a friend takes time”

- Georgia O'Keeffe



Georgia O'Keeffe at “291,” 1917

Alfred Stieglitz



Simplifying can mean:

- Remove distracting and unnecessary elements
- Make reading the photo easier for the viewer

Guy Tal



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What's really important is to simplify. The work of most photographers would be improved immensely if they could do one thing: get rid of the extraneous.” - William Albert Allard



William Albert Allard



Michael Freeman



Brooks Jensen



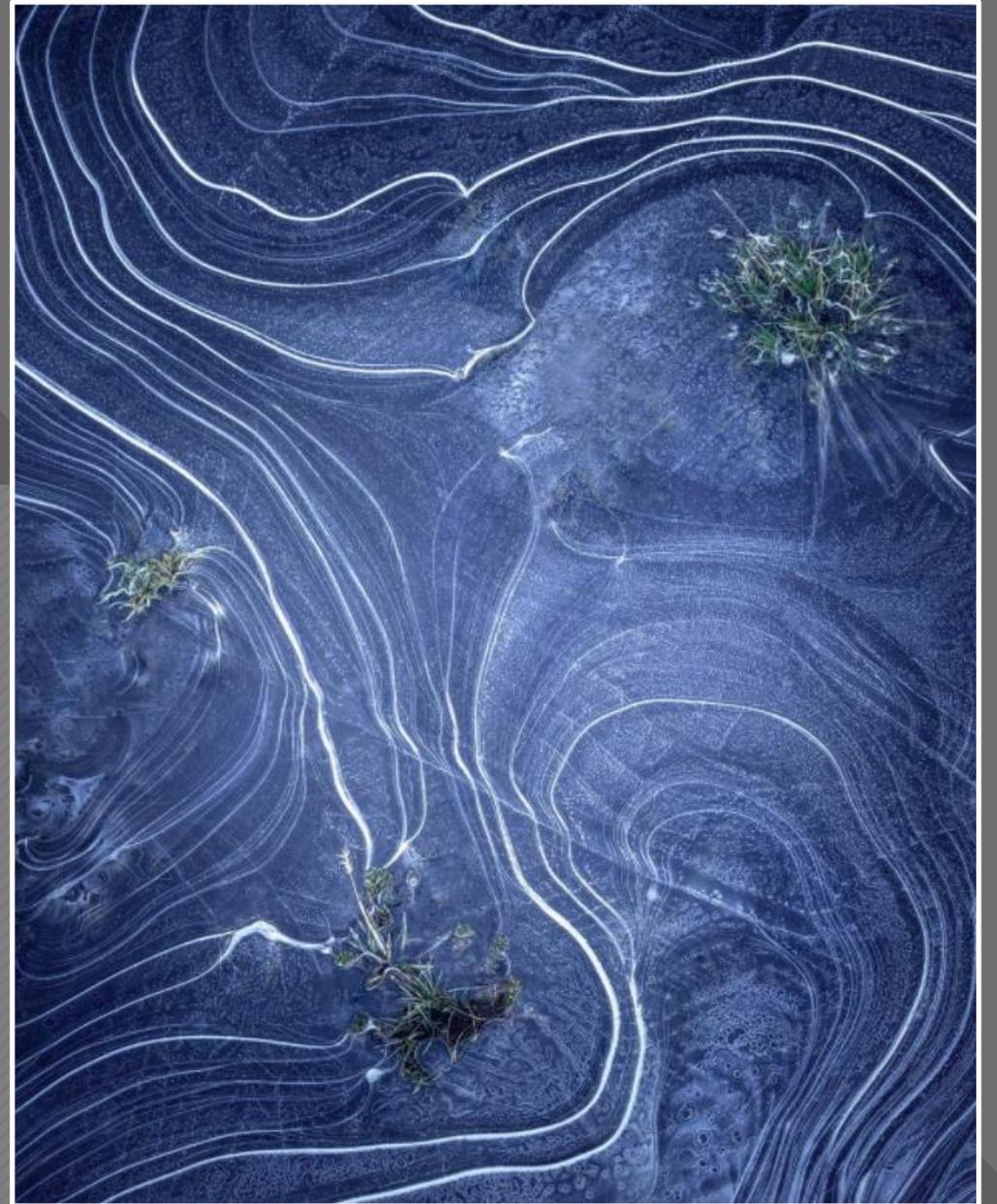
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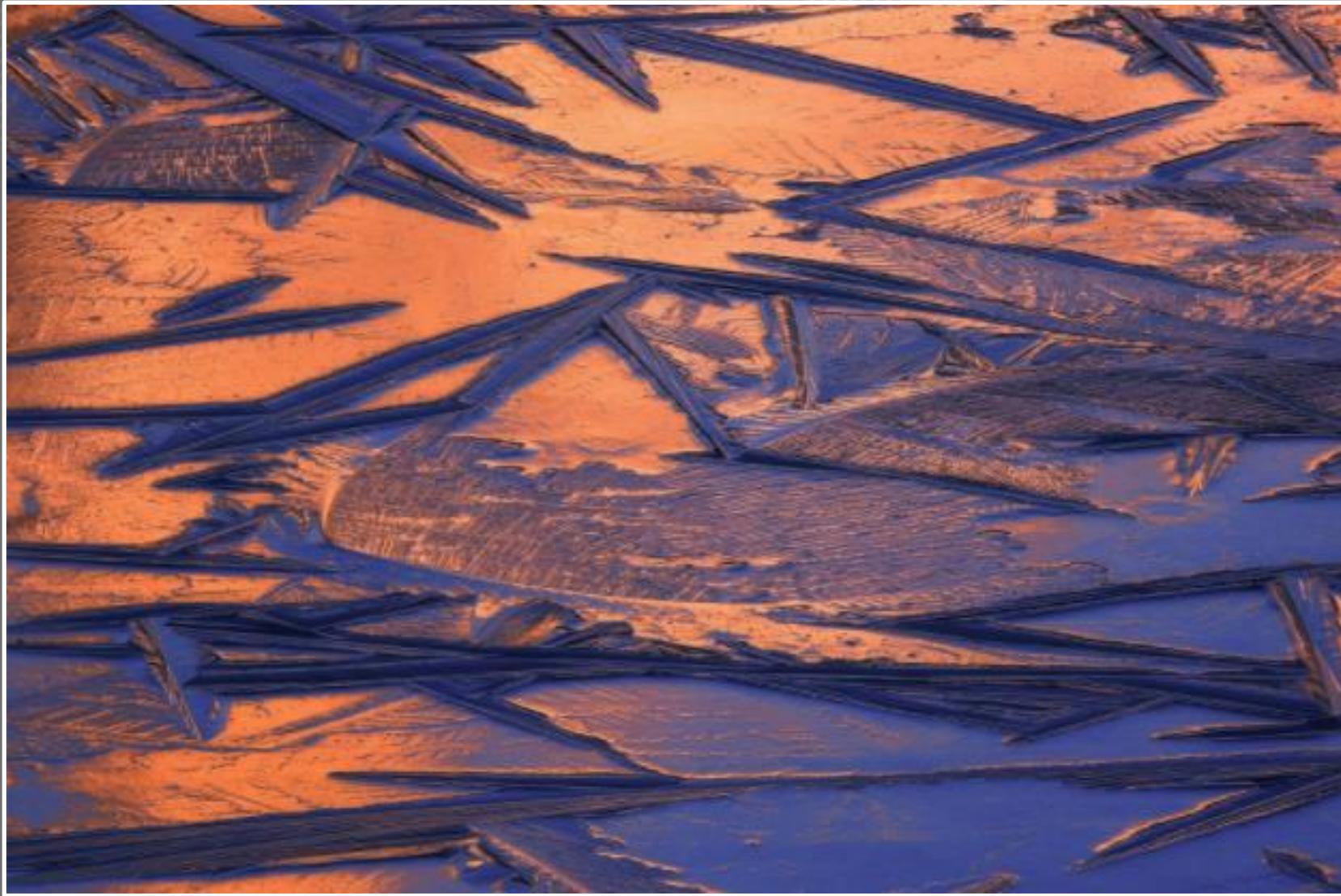


...look a little closer,
become more familiar, and
walk a little farther”

- Eric Bennett

Swirling
Eric Bennett





Shattered

Eric Bennett



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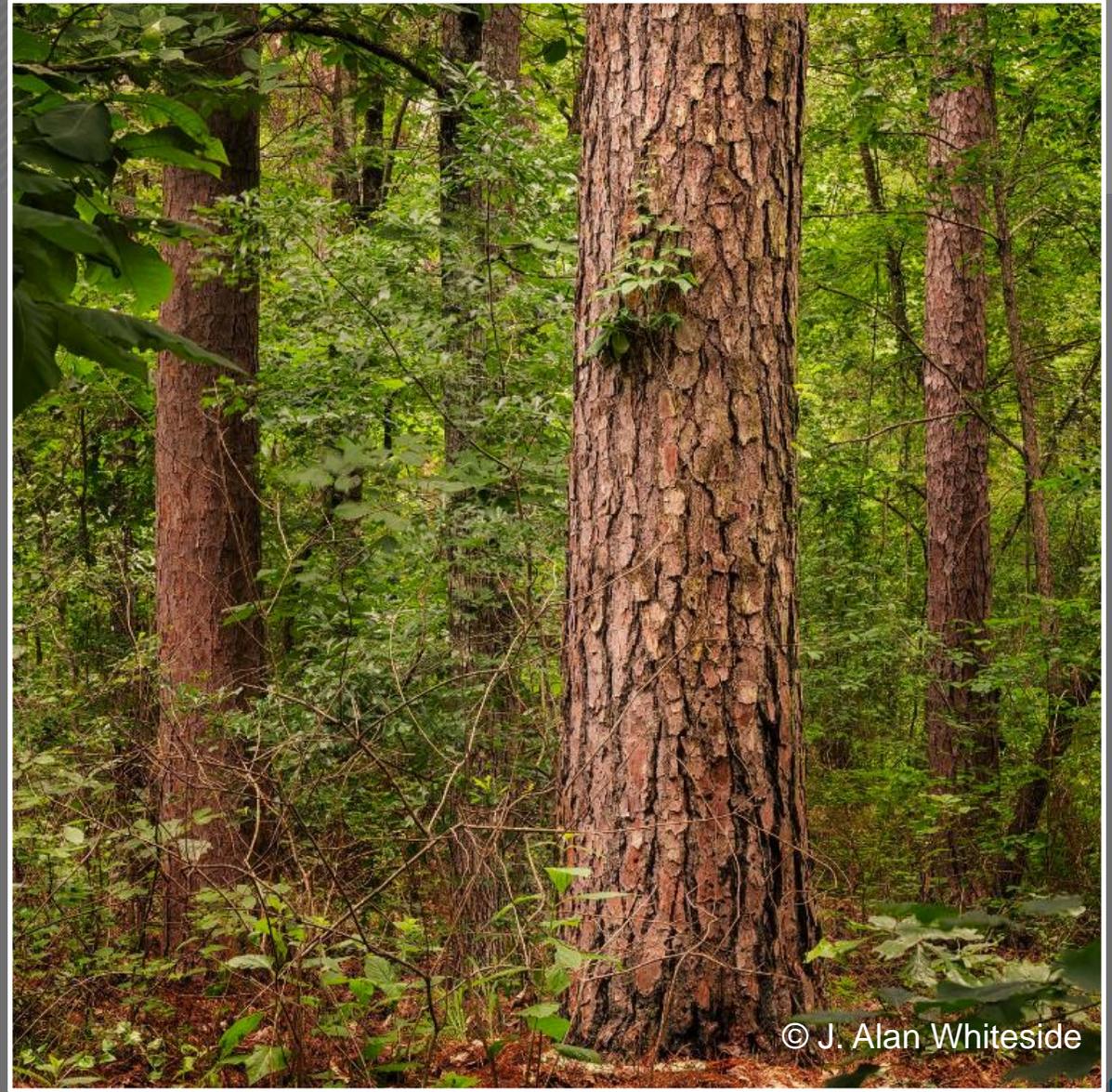


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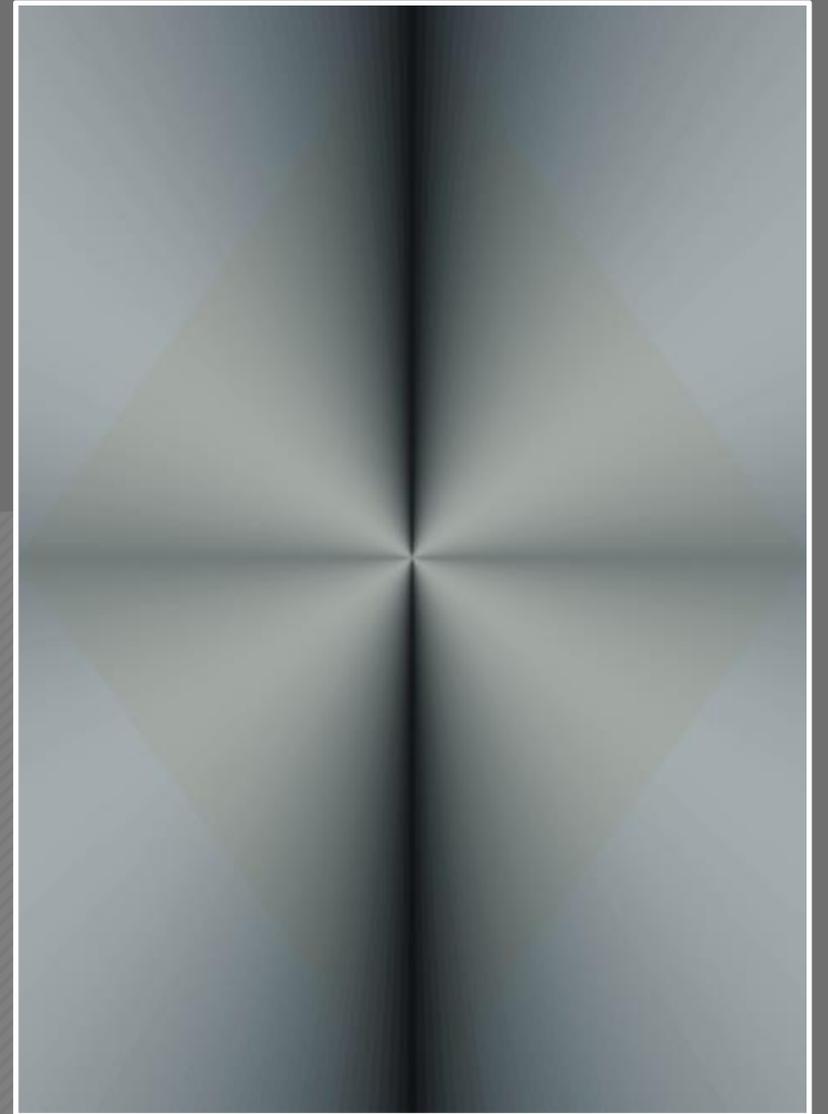


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Simplicity is about subtracting the obvious, and adding the meaningful.”

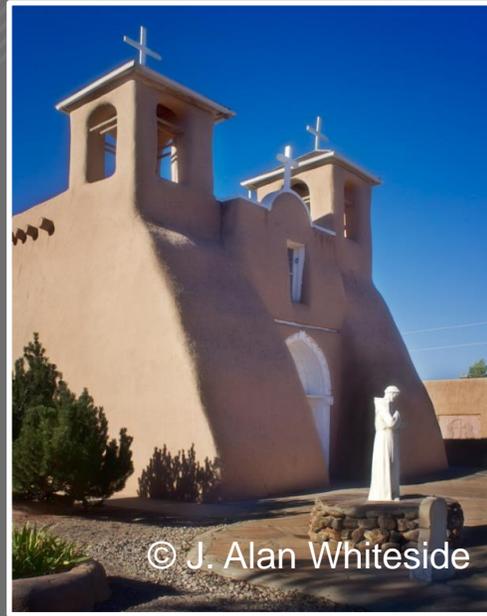
- John Maeda
Excerpted from The Laws of Simplicity



John Maeda



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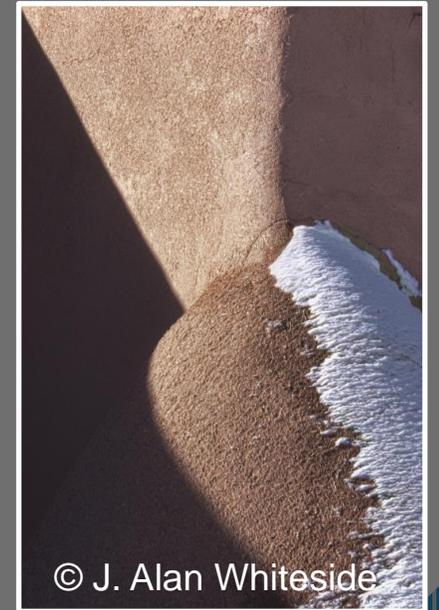
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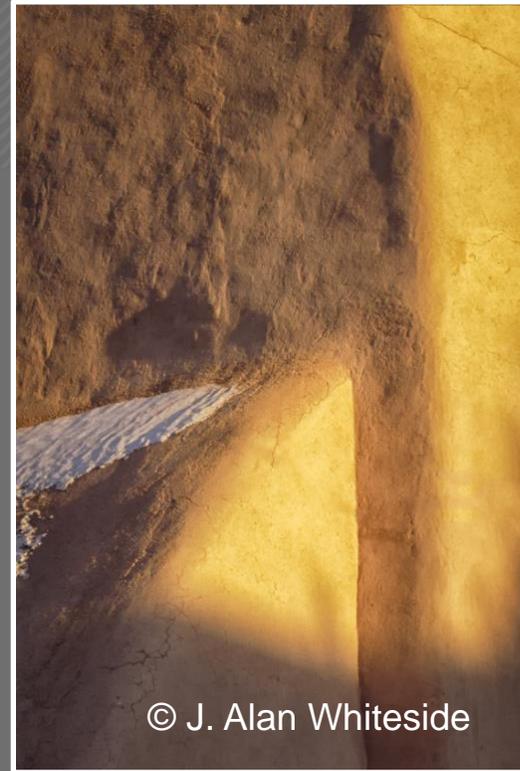
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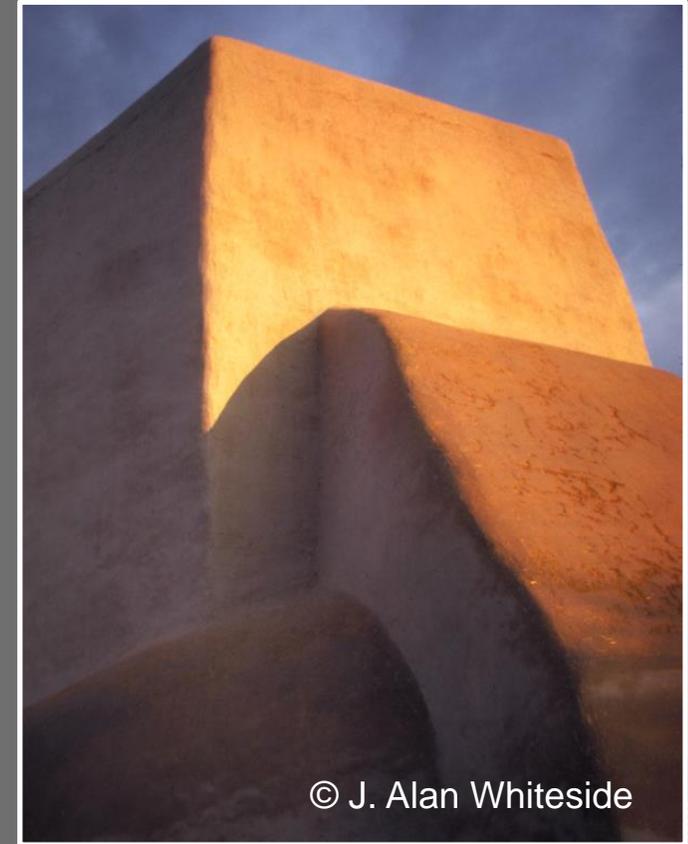
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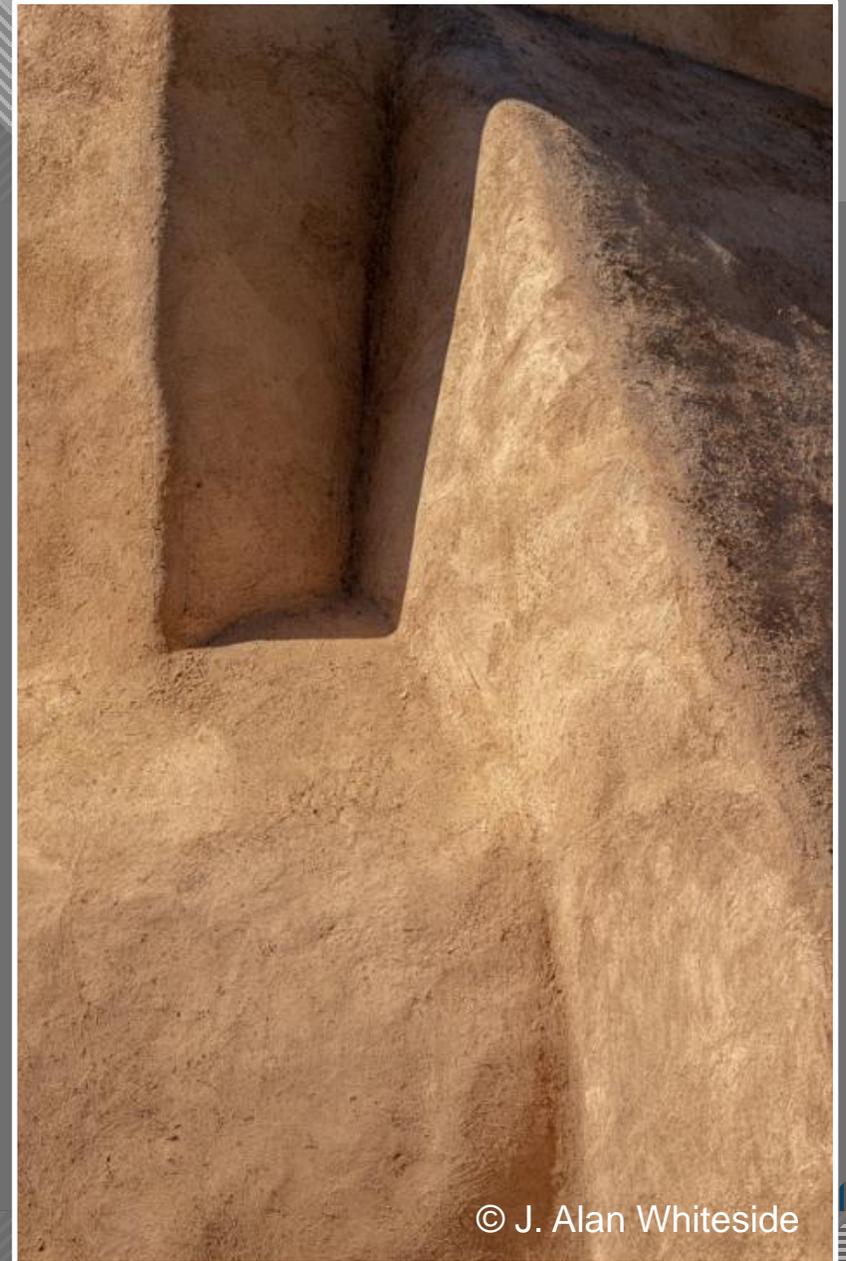


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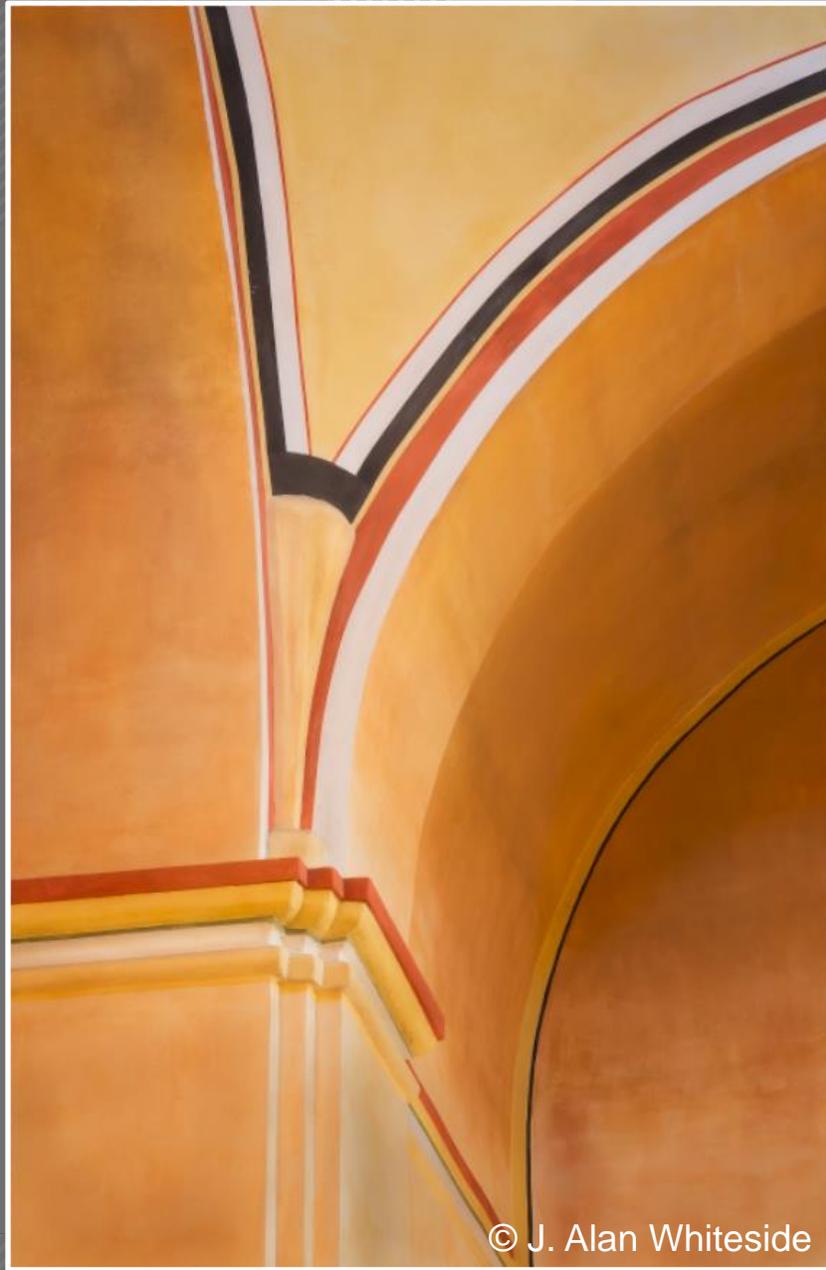
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Lower Cascade,
Roaring Fork River

John Sexton



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Next Session, May 17th

Assignment for Session 4: Reframe and Simplify

FIND a subject that interests you.

COMPOSE and **CAPTURE** two images. The first should be your initial composition, and the second should be your reframed and simplified image.

SUBMIT the image with a brief note about what you saw, feel what you felt, or the message/story you were trying to communicate by reframing and simplifying the image.

Assignment for Session 4: Reframe and Simplify

WHAT TO DO: Submit 2 JPEG photos with a brief note about what you were trying to emphasize with the reframed/simplified image

FORMAT: 1920 x 1280 – competition size

HOW: Email to me (awhiteside2744@tx.rr.com)

BY WHEN: At least a few days prior to Session 4, May 17th (the sooner, the better)

The background is a dark gray color with several geometric shapes and patterns. In the top-left corner, there is a white triangle with horizontal lines. In the bottom-right corner, there is a large white triangle with horizontal lines. There are also several overlapping, semi-transparent gray shapes that create a layered effect.

Thank You

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