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Thread: [Photography Critique Thread](#)

Update - January 2, 2015, 1:17 am

Hey everyone, Kyle here. Edit: All Knowledgeable members are allowed to Critique.

Welcome to Scumbag's Unofficial Photography Critique thread. This is a thread where any user can post their photography to get feedback from the photographic community.

Remember, this is constructive criticism. I don't want people going around bashing peoples pictures. Also, I will allow cell phone pictures, but please keep them high quality.. I'd prefer we stick to High Quality shots.

If you are going to post your photos, please either put them in a /spoiler, or upload them to Imgur, Flickr, ect.

Template for Critiquing.

Code [align=center]

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existentialist - January 2, 2015, 10:06 am

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Thanks!

Sacred Symmetry - January 2, 2015, 2:27 pm

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General feeling or Impression from the picture: Mellow

Technical Components Sigma 12-24mm

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ISO 400, F/5

Beauty - January 2, 2015, 2:33 pm

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Haha, i know
I have the LG D855
but i mostly shoot on my dslr

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Thanks!

What you Like/Dislike about the picture:

1. I really like this picture. It has a feeling of darkness, or death. Kind of like a graveyard.
2. I like this picture as well. It uses one of my favorite technical components that I will explain below.
3. I enjoy this picture. I like the components you used to make it enjoyable to look at.

General feeling or Impression from the picture: Explained Above.

Technical Components Focus:

1. Focus was good on this shot. I like how you kept the dead leaves in focus and the rest blurred,

really showcasing the statue.

2. Focus on point in this picture as well.

3. Next time, try positioning yourself directly in front of the house, or cabin, so you can fill the frame completely. I think it would have helped with focusing. Everything about this picture is fine, but I think you could have enhanced it by filling the frame with the cabin, then focusing on either the posts in front, or the wall behind the posts.

Exposure: Exposure is fine on all 3 pictures.

Color:

1. Color was ok, kind of dull, but I like it still.

2. Coloring is fine.

3. I enjoy the green rocking chair sitting out front. Ill explain what you could have done better to make the shot even more appealing below.

Lighting: Lighting is fine on all of these.

Composition:

1. Try using 1 of the few rules in Photography, such as, the Rule of Thirds. This is where you turn the grid on your camera, and position the main subject on one of the 4 outer intersections. (Bottom left, right, top, bottom). I think if you angled out the plastic pot holder it would have looked better as well.

2. You used one of the photography Technics here, and that is Filling the Frame. Its where you completely fill the frame of the picture with your subject, like you did.

3. This would have been awesome if you moved the chair to the left or right of the patio. I don't know if this is your house, or someone else's but, if you placed it on either side, you could have used Rule of Thirds to make the shot more appealing to the eye.

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I am actually going to change that rule. Seeing some of the quality.

existentialist - January 2, 2015, 2:50 pm

One of my iPhone 5 photos:

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What you Like/Dislike about the picture: Long Exposure! My favorite photography method.
General feeling or Impression from the picture: Really well put together picture, relaxed.
Technical Components Focus: Focus seemed fine, but its a bit granular. I don't know if you enhanced the exposure to brighten it up, sometimes that happens. Also, were you using a filter?

Exposure: Exposure was fine, maybe a little bit dark. Easy to fix.

Color: The mountain really contrasts the rest of the background and matches the rocks in the foreground. Really cool.

Lighting: Lighting is fine.

Composition: All in all, a very well put together picture. The mountain side can be said to be Rule of Thirds, looks like its in the proper spot.

Nice work.

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Only going to critique my favorite one out of the bunch. I want to give some other people a chance to critique.

What you Like/Dislike about the picture: I like this picture, I love the contrast between the shoes and the ground.

General feeling or Impression from the picture: Really relaxed picture, composition pulls it together.

Technical Components Focus: Focus is fine.

Exposure: It gets a little bit bright to the bottom left side. Probably just due to the sun leaking through the trees. Easy to fix in Lightroom and some apps.

Color: Love the green leaves and the red shoes.

Lighting: Lighting is fine.

Composition: That shoe to the right is pissing me off! I like how the log guides your eyes into the picture and to your shoes. Then the green leaves guide to the left and right.

Nice work.

Babz - January 2, 2015, 3:15 pm

To start, thanks for changing the rule to cell phone pics.

Took this pic with an iPhone 5s before I had my Nikon D3300 so I wanted to show you it :D

I edited just the water, nothing else, I like natures lighting.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/127567093@N04/16125723166/>

Also, can you critique this one also?

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/127567093@N04/15577132900/>

Another iPhone picture, before I got my camera, unedited, untouched.

Update - January 2, 2015, 3:24 pm

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/127567093@...125723166/> Only have time for one right now.

What you Like/Dislike about the picture: Like this picture. I think I critiqued one like this on your thread.

General feeling or Impression from the picture: Relaxed, Natural, isn't an attention grabber but, still is appealing to the eye.

Technical Components Focus: Focus is fine. Did you edit the water to blur it?

Exposure: Exposure is fine. Not much you can change on your phone.

Color: Nice colors. Everything is balanced.

Lighting: Lighting is fine.

Composition: Well put together but, your not really using any of the main photography methods. Sometimes it doesn't even matter, some of the best pictures I've seen break the rules of photography. It just all depends on the situation.

B?ue - January 2, 2015, 4:08 pm

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What you Like/Dislike about the picture: Like the bee on the flower.

General feeling or Impression from the picture: Super colorful and exciting.

Technical Components Focus: Focus is on point. The main subject is in focus.

Exposure: Exposure is fine.

Color: Love the colors on the flowers and the bee.

Lighting: Lighting is fine.

Composition: No really using any of the main photography methods but, still looks good. This photo could have been improved by filling the frame, in my opinion.

Good Work.

Update - January 8, 2015, 6:36 am

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General feeling or Impression from the picture: Tranquil. Feels like Im an Ant

Technical Components Focus: Focus is awesome. Did you use any after effects to make the edges darker?

Exposure: Exposures nice. Not too much

Color: I'd love to see the vibrancy on this shot ed up to see how that would effect it.

Lighting: Lighting is fine.

Composition: Composition is good. Seems centered using the filling the frame method.

8/10

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Thanks! For the edges I just took it into lightroom and added a light vignette and played with the colors

\$tew - January 12, 2015, 2:22 pm

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<https://imgur.com/NabglqN>

Update - January 13, 2015, 10:19 am

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What you Like/Dislike about the picture: Like the colors in the picture.
General feeling or Impression from the picture: Eye catching, Really moves your eyes around the shot.
Technical Components Focus: A+

Exposure: Would have liked it better, I think, if it was darker.

Color: Colors are nice and blend well.

Lighting: Would like to see this shot at night.

Composition: I like the angle in which you took the shot. You should try other angles too.

S?arlet - January 13, 2015, 8:58 pm

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Spoiler [\(Click to View\)](#)

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Great pictures but they are too boring. Try editing them a bit and making them look more significant.

Fish Bowl - January 15, 2015, 4:26 pm

I took these pictures with my dslr:

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Fish Bowl - January 16, 2015, 9:35 am

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What you Like/Dislike about the picture: I like how you filled the frame, and I like how there is no background noise at all.

General feeling or Impression from the picture: Spooky, shady, dark. I like it.

Technical Components Focus: Good job focusing on the center point. Next time you could try using the rule of thirds or other techniques.

Exposure: Nothing wrong with exposure.

Color: Color is just mellow. You could try using Adobe Lightroom to spruce up the colors.

Lighting: Lighting is fine.

Composition: Filling the Frame was your technique here and it worked relatively well.

Overall: 8/10

GL1TCH3D - January 17, 2015, 12:39 am

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Positive - January 17, 2015, 6:50 pm

<https://i.imgur.com/hCeGNE9.jpg>

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Thanks man! That really means a lot.

I don't know if you have seen any of my others but I am getting the hang of it now (luckily). What people don't understand is you can't just shoot black backdrops in auto mode lol. If you do, you will see all the wrinkles and shit. All mine are done up against a REALLY wrinkled back drop, some flashes on the floor and some studio lights all around (each set to go off if I want it; my transmitter/receivers has/have 20+ channels). I have some hanging and then there is those few mentioned above, below and behind the subject.

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Thank you so much! Again the comments really mean a lot.

I am working so hard to get these lights the way I want them.

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Bumping this thread up... Still need practice for my photography class.

Update - February 2, 2015, 7:51 pm

Need some people to post their shots! Feel free to link them below!

razor9o - February 3, 2015, 12:42 pm

Some shots that I take last summer. Hope you like it :)

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Glad you like it, thank you. Mostly location around my home town. I live in Croatia (Europe)