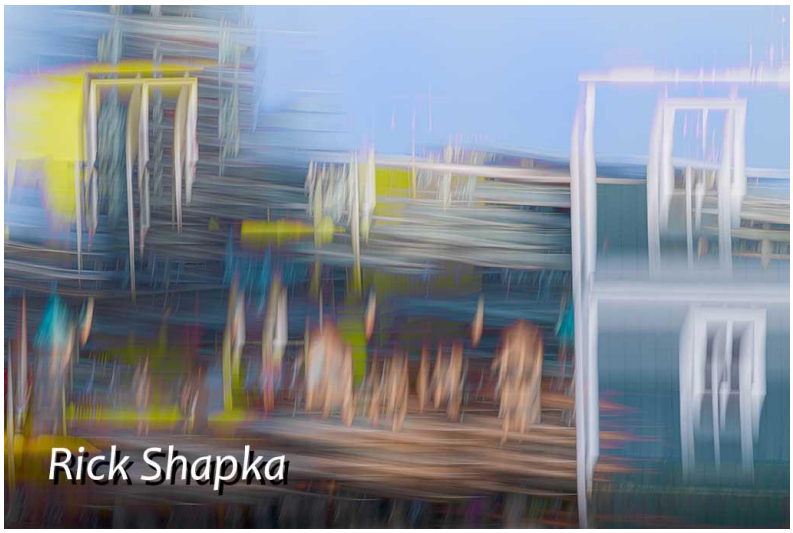
Judge: Rick Shapka



Rick is a photographer who travels to photograph places, events, people and animals.

He is a former vice president and former president of the Canadian Association for Photographic Arts (CAPA) and participates as a CAPA certified judge for photographic competitions. He was an active member of the Victoria Camera Club having volunteered as the Victoria Camera Club CAPA & PSA rep, Club Presenter Night Coordinator and participated as a member of the External Competition Committee.

In addition, he has a keen interest in creating abstract images both in, and out of the camera. His most recent photography journey was to the Khutzeymateen Grizzly Bear Sanctuary in BC. Prior to this, he was at the Bull River Ranch to photograph hummingbirds and to Port McNeill and north east coast of BC to photograph marine mammals. August 2023 he participated in a 5 person show at the ArtSea Gallery at Tulista Park, Sidney.

Rick is interested in most everything photographic, including making digital images and prints, both color and black and white. After a business career, he completed photography and art history diplomas, at Focal Point and UBC in Vancouver. He consider himself a generalist making photographs of landscape, wildlife, action, people, macro and abstract subjects. His preference is for Nikon gear for nature and action photography with mirrorless Fuji gear for travelling and street photography.

“From conception to composition of the initial image, the required post processing through to the final printing of the image is my work” – *Rick Shapka*.