

Fun Photography Projects

Most photographers have one or two favorite subjects that they enjoy working on. Whether it is nature, landscapes, old buildings, portraits or something else, it is easy to get in a rut and miss out on other subjects.

One way to get out of your rut is to take on a fun project. You can join with other photographers online or come up with something on your own.

Online projects include Flickr.com, which has thousands of specialized groups you can join on every conceivable subject. It is a good way to interact with photographers around the world. Flickr has both free and paid plans depending mainly on the number of photos you post.

Another online project is 365project.org. The idea here is to get you take more photos. When you join, you are supposed to take photos every day and post one on the website. Like Flickr, you can interact with photographers around the world, but without the specialized groups. 365 project also has free and paid plans.

Some of the most fun we have had with photography projects has been stuff we have dreamed up ourselves. For example, Linda took photos of a lemon placed in all sorts of odd places and put together a slide show. I did the same thing with a rubber snake and created a goofy script to match the photos. Linda photographed fences and created a slide show set to "Don't Fence Me In" music. She also created a slide show of amazing mailboxes set to "Mr. Postman", "Return to Sender" and other music. We had tremendous fun with these projects and took photos over a period of many years on our travels.

Most recently, one of my photos was used (with my permission) in a 1 to 100 gallery on Flickr where photos that included every number from 1 to 100 were taken by many photographers. I thought that was a great idea and decided to do it myself. It turned out to be very challenging and I used a combination of old photos from my files and new photos I found or created.

The point is, photography can be FUN, especially if you make an effort to try something new.



SAMMY SNAKE ON A SKULL