

Exercise #6

Take Photos to Explore Design Concepts

In this exercise you will experiment with the design concepts we discussed in class, using the rule of thirds for layout, color, and value. We will also explore negative space and contrast when composing our photographs.

Please note – during this class, do not take photographs of any person without their written permission.

A. TAKE EIGHT PHOTOGRAPHS OF VARIOUS SUBJECTS (your choice)

1. Layout and composition
 - a. **Photo #1 with composition evenly arranged**
 - b. **Photo #2 with composition showing rule of thirds**
2. Color
 - a. **Photo #3 with equal amounts of color in photo**
 - b. **Photo #4 with color divided using rule of thirds**
3. High and low contrast
 - a. **Photo #5 with high contrast**
 - b. **Photo #6 with low contrast**
4. Value
 - a. **Photo #7 with value using rule of thirds**
5. Negative space
 - a. **Photo #8 with interesting negative space**

It may be difficult to view an image on the LCD monitor outdoors in direct sunlight. If this is the case, use the viewfinder instead. To conserve battery power, turn off the LCD Monitor by pressing the DISP button.

B. Pass the camera on to the next member of your team. Each person should take the eight photographs detailed in step A.

C. After each person has had the opportunity to take eight photographs, download the photographs on the camera to the computer.

For instructions on how to download photographs to your computer, see **Handout #1 – Connecting the Camera to the Computer.**