

1. **JANUARY:** Abstract - Should express ideas and emotions in a photographed image without the intention of creating a traditional or realistic image. While many commonly observed photography rules don't apply, a good abstract photo always has a clear, structural design. Much thought goes into the order, placement, and balance between shapes, patterns, textures, and colors within an abstract image.
 - a. The Ultimate Guide to Abstract Photography (112 Best Tips!) - <https://expertphotography.com/complete-guide-abstract-photography-112-tips/>
 - b. Top 30 Abstract Photography Ideas - <https://fixthephoto.com/abstract-photography-ideas.html>
 - c. 25 Inspiring Examples of Abstract Photography -
2. **FEBRUARY:** Reflections - Reflection photography, also referred to as mirror photography, is when you use reflective surfaces to create an artistic echo of a scene. Of course, less traditional resources such as metal, tiles, mirrors and anything with a shiny surface can also be easily incorporated into this type of photography. Reflections are not to be created in post-production but captured in a single exposure.
 - a. Mastering Reflection Photography In 4 Easy Steps - <https://www.befunky.com/learn/mirror-photography/>
 - b. Try reflection photography to find unique perspectives - <https://www.adobe.com/creativecloud/photography/discover/reflection-photography.html>
 - c. A Brief Guide to Water Reflection Photography - <https://www.photocrowd.com/blog/174-brief-guide-water-reflection-photography/>
3. **MARCH:** Framing - Image which uses visual elements within the scene to create a frame within a frame, such as arches, windows, doors, trees and branches, to highlight the main subject.
 - a. How to Use Framing in Photography to Create Powerful Images - <https://www.photoblog.com/learn/framing-photography/>
 - b. What Does Framing Mean in Photography? - <https://www.pixinfoocus.com/what-does-framing-mean-in-photography/>
 - c. Create Strong Photographic Composition Using Framing - <https://www.digitalphotomenter.com/create-strong-photographic-composition-using-framing/>
4. **APRIL:** Writing Implements – The image should convey an important element of human writing. Ideas can range from pens and pencils to typewriters (but not word processors or software).
5. **MAY:** Play Time! Sports, Games, and Toys – Present an image of your favorite play time. This could be sports, games, and toys. There is a universe of play time compositions out there, bring your imagination and camera to play! Sports can entail persons, animals (i.e. equine sports), motor racing (i.e. car racing, motorcycle races or motocross), cycling, ball sports, etc. Games include board and desk top games but do not include screen shots of computer games. The game being played should be obvious in the image. Borrow your kids or grandkids toys and bring them to life!
 - a. Sports Photography - A Complete Guide - <https://www.pixpa.com/blog/sports-photography-tips>
 - b. Chess Photography (8 Tips for Professional Chess Photos) - <https://expertphotography.com/chess-photography/>
 - c. Toy Photographers - <https://toyphotographers.com/>
6. **JUNE:** Fruit and Vegetables – Fruits and vegetables are some of the most interesting photography subjects. They are colorful, full of texture, various shapes and patterns.
 - a. 11 Best Techniques for Vegetable and Fruit Photography - <https://expertphotography.com/vegetables-fruit-photography/>
 - b. 20 Fruit Photography Tips for Photographers - <https://fixthephoto.com/fruit-photography.html>

- c. Great Fruit and Vegetable Still Life Photography Ideas - <https://digital-photography-school.com/great-fruit-and-vegetable-still-life-photography-ideas/>
7. **SEPTEMBER**: Getting Around: Planes, Trains, and Automobiles – Depict a mode of transportation. This could include planes, automobiles, trains, motorcycles, bicycles, scooters, etc.
 - a. How To Photograph Modes of Transportation - <https://annemckinnell.com/2016/03/24/how-to-photograph-modes-of-transportation/>
 - b. Put your car photography into top gear - <https://www.adobe.com/creativecloud/photography/discover/car-photography.html>
 - c. Taking Great Photographs at Airshows - <https://www.nikonusa.com/en/learn-and-explore/a/tips-and-techniques/taking-great-photographs-at-airshows.html>
8. **OCTOBER**: Still Life and Found Objects - Still life photography is a form of photography that depicts inanimate objects or subject matters. The objective is to find ways to make ordinary objects interesting and attention grabbing through the use of different arrangements, lighting, and compositions. A found object is a natural or man-made object, or fragment of an object, that is found (or sometimes bought) and kept because of some intrinsic interest in the object. Found objects can add interest and a story telling aspect to a still life.
 - a. Still Life Photography: The Complete Guide - <https://www.format.com/online-portfolio-website/still-life-photography/guide>
 - b. 12 Great Tips to Master Still Life Photography - <https://www.pixpa.com/blog/tips-for-still-life-photography>
 - c. Photo assignment: FOUND OBJECTS - Home Studio Still Life Photography - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xTebrC6TZRE>
 - d. Macro Still Life of Allan Markman - <https://www.allanmarkman.com/> & <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C52raeQJShs>
9. **NOVEMBER**: Collections - Should contain multiple items of similar size or category (two or more), yet each component is an individual subject collected by a human collector whether intentional or not. Think kitchen utensils, stamps, or coins. It could even be crazy big like someone's automotive collection.
10. **DECEMBER**: Symmetry and Repeating Patterns - Repeating patterns and mirror-image symmetry look great when incorporated into your images. Our brains are hardwired to look for patterns and symmetry. Symmetry can create balance in an image and convey a sense of calm, even a sense of unease if everything looks a little too perfect. Our eyes are naturally drawn to things that are symmetrical. Image must be from a single in-camera exposure- not copied and flipped in post processing.
 - a. Using Symmetry and Patterns to Create Stronger Photographs - <https://www.picturecorrect.com/tips/using-symmetry-and-patterns-to-create-stronger-photographs/>
 - b. Symmetry in Photography - 7 Great Tips - <https://www.pixpa.com/blog/symmetry-photography>
 - c. Symmetry and Patterns in Photography - https://prezi.com/1yax3_wvj8on/symmetry-and-patterns-in-photography/