Summer photo projects—ideas presented by David Blass at the Photo Forum 6/17/21

-Make a photo book.

-Photo a day for 100 days. Post the photos.

-Read your camera (or other gear that you own but don't fully understand) manual, try

        everything with your camera as you are reading.

-Change the wavelength. Try IR or UV.

-If you own a specialty lens (fisheye, Lensbaby, long tele, macro) commit to a period (a week to

a month) of shooting with only that lens.

-Take a class or workshop, in person or online.

-Learn a new shooting skill, like HDR or focus-stacking.

-Learn a new software skill. PS: 3D, movie poster, composites. Also, Topaz, Nik, others.

-Go through the files and discard the images that you never should have kept. (try for a little at

once; slow but steady)

-Commit to go out with the camera at least once a week.

-Have a shooting scavenger hunt with friends.

-Have a "random objects shoot" with friends.

DO

-something that sounds interesting to you.

-commit to a project and get started. If it doesn't work out as expected (or isn't fun) try another

one.

-any of these will be more fun with other people.

DON'T

-spend a ton a money unless you were going to do it anyway.

-delay more than a few days before getting started.

-stress if the summer ends and you haven't finished. 60% of the project is still something. You can continue the project in the fall.