

Taking Photos that (hopefully) **Don't Stink**

Photography Tips for Non-Photographers

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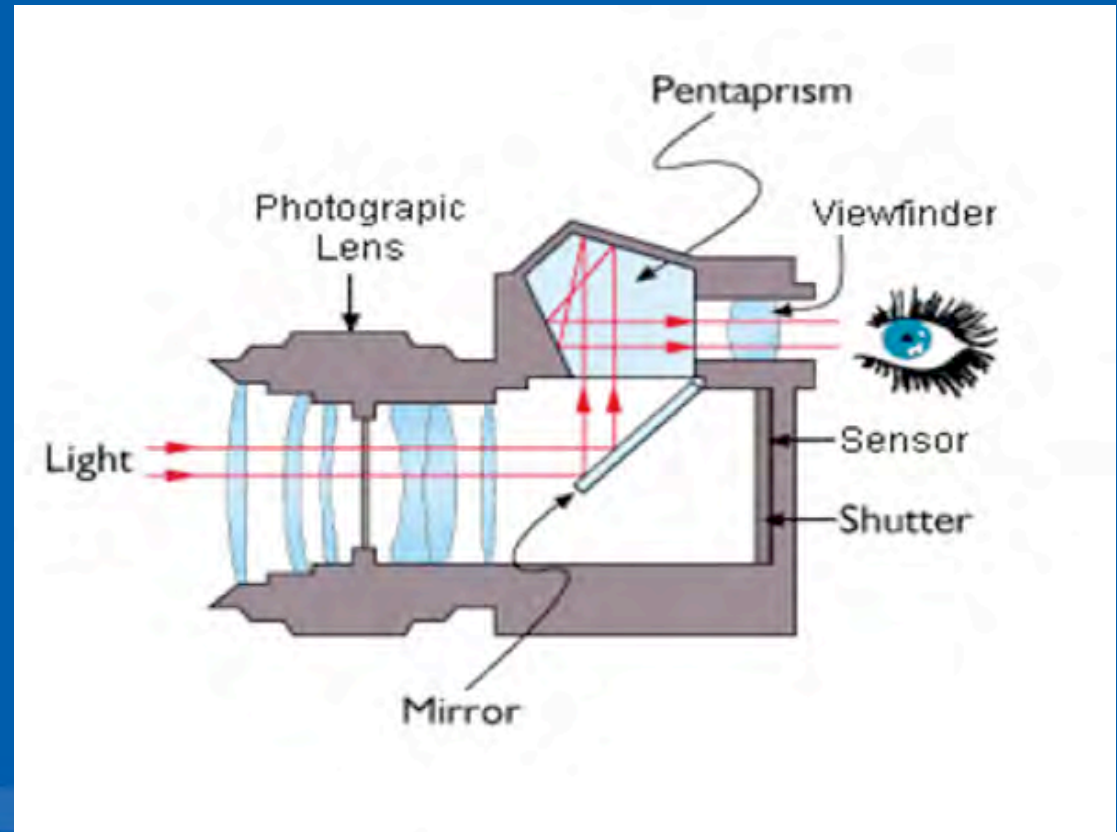
“That’s a pretty good photo.”

“When one sees such images, what
can one say but **Salieri**”



Camera is a Valve

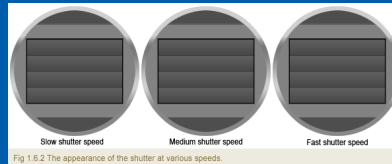
- But instead of water, you're letting in **LIGHT**



How Much Light to Let In

- Three controls to let in light

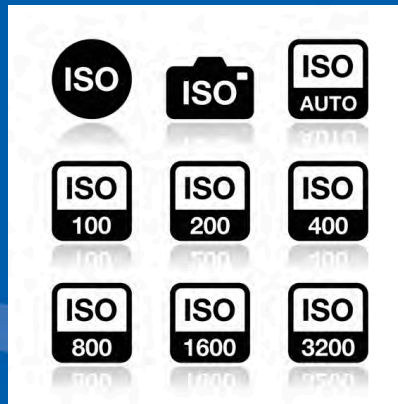
- Shutter Speed



- Aperture

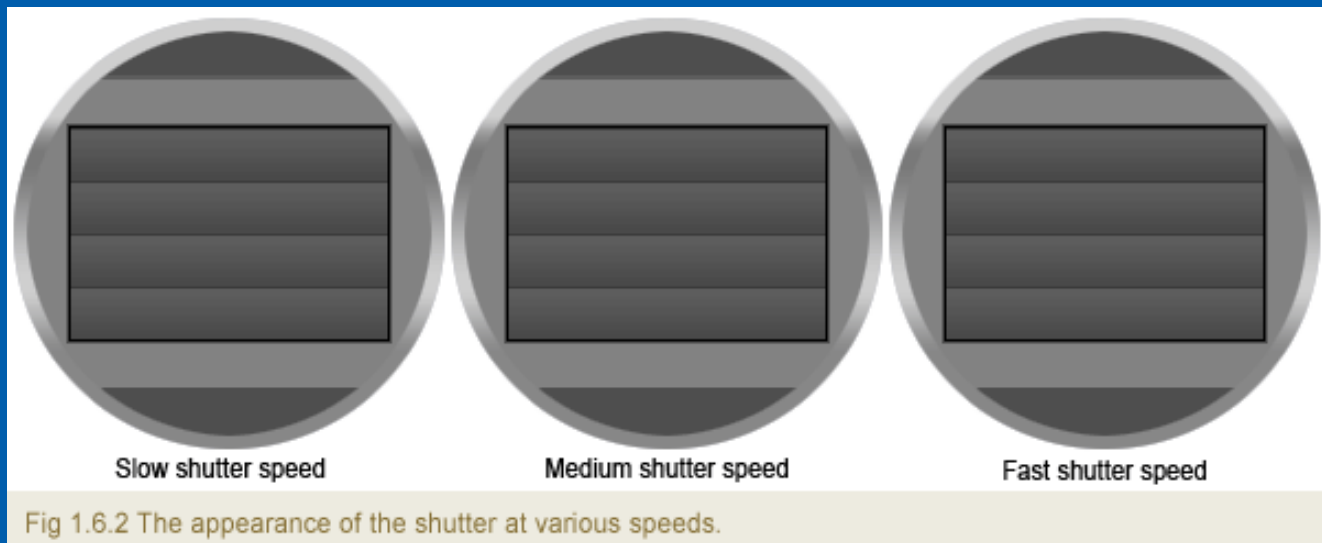


- ISO



Shutter Speed

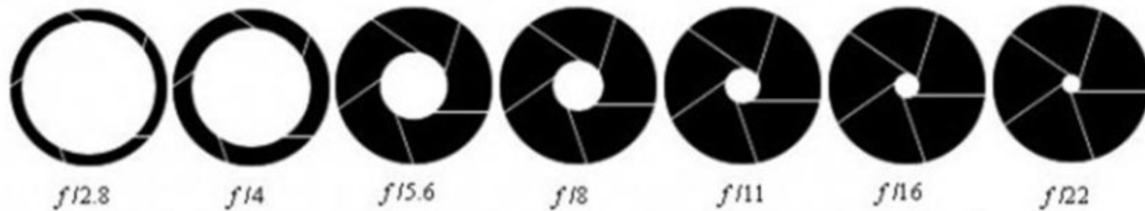
- Speed is expressed in fractions of a second
 - $1/60$, $1/90$, $1/125$, $1/500$, $1/1000$



Fast shutter speeds = stop action
Slow shutter speeds = blurry action

Aperture

- **Aperture size expressed in F numbers**
 - Smaller number = Larger opening
 - Larger number = Smaller opening



Large aperture ←————→ Small aperture

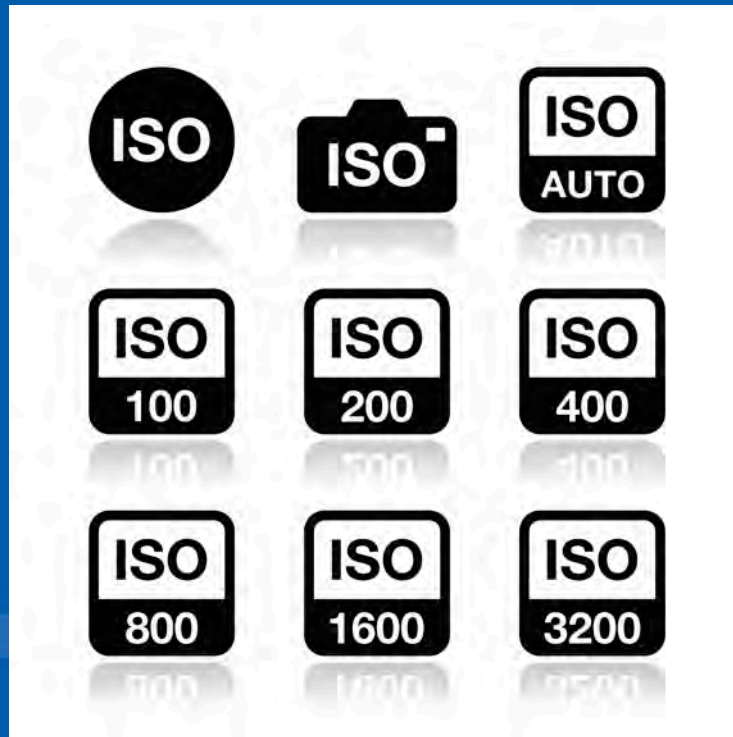
More light strikes image sensor ←————→ Less light strikes image sensor

Shallow Depth of Field (Focus) ←————→ Deep Depth of Field (Focus)

Small opening = High depth of field
Large opening = Low depth of field

ISO

- **Measures how sensitive the camera is to light. Remember “Film speeds?”**
 - Low ISO = need lots of light
 - High ISO = don't need as much light

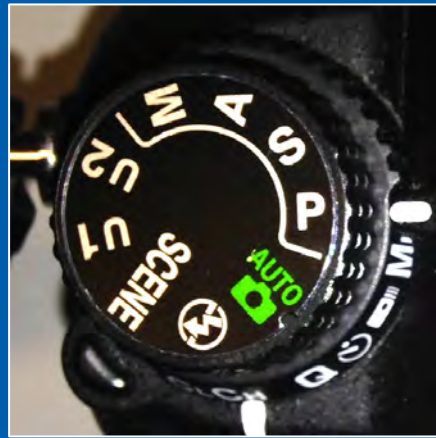


Don't Be A Hero!

Let the Camera Do the Work



"Auto" and "Program" Modes



- Auto mode takes care of everything
- Program mode takes care of everything

Almost interchangeable!

Partial Control Modes



- **Shutter Priority**

- You choose the shutter speed, the camera picks the right aperture



- **Aperture Priority**

- You choose the aperture, the camera picks the right shutter speed

Manual Mode



- You choose the shutter speed and aperture
- **BEST TO AVOID**



Continuous Shooting



- **Machine Gun Mode**
 - Hold down the shutter button

**ELECTRONS
ARE FREE!**

Tips

Photos of Meetings

Shoot From Audience Eye Level



- Sit with the audience
- Zoom lens will compress distance



Shoot When Audience Is Engaged

- Best to get these shots early in the meeting when audience is attentive



Tips

Classroom Photos

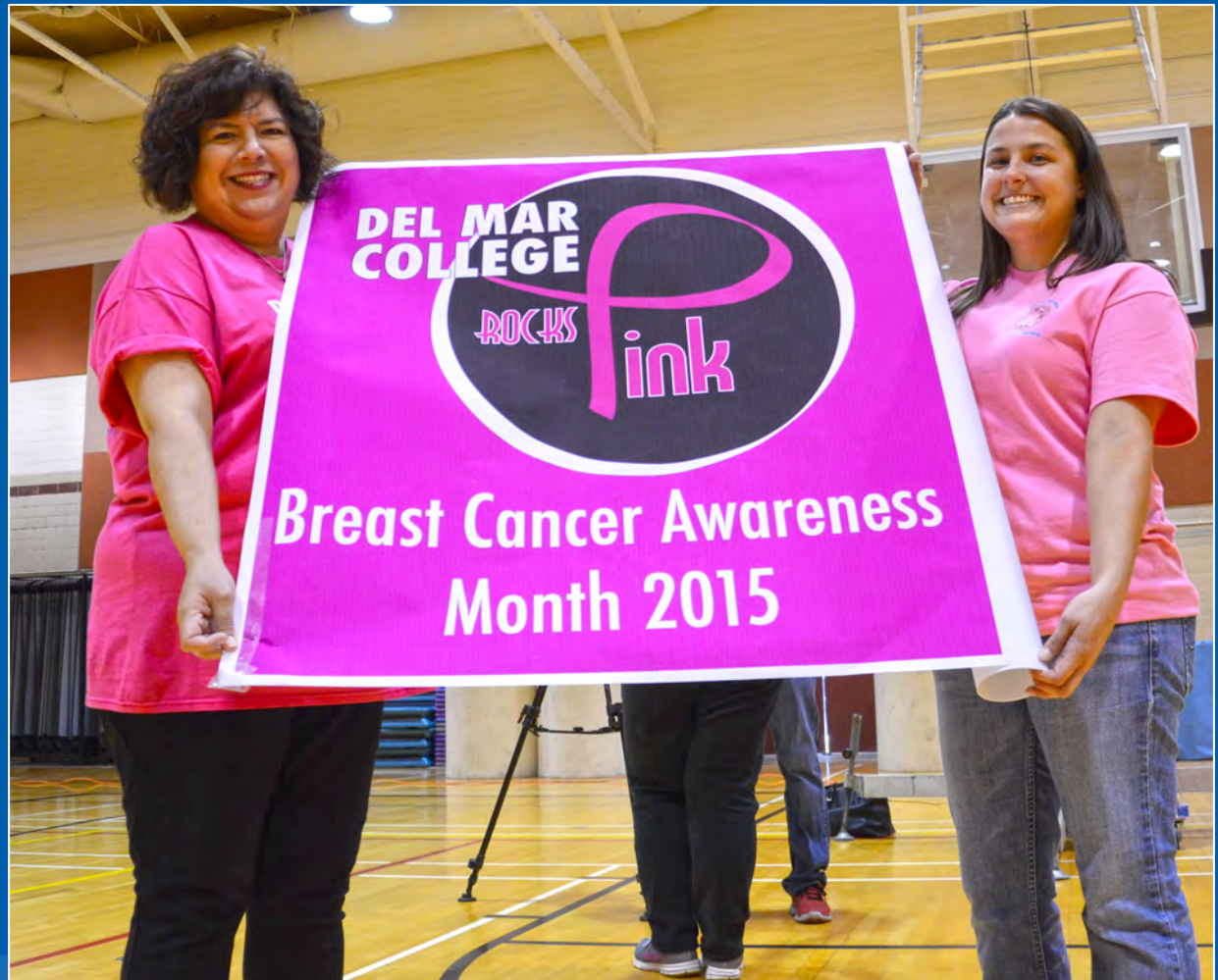
Shoot Wide, Then CROP CROP CROP



Tips

Grip 'n Grins

Shoot Low Looking Up



Candid, Not Poses



- Best if subjects not looking at camera

Tips

**Make Use of Surroundings
and Atmosphere**

Rule of Thirds

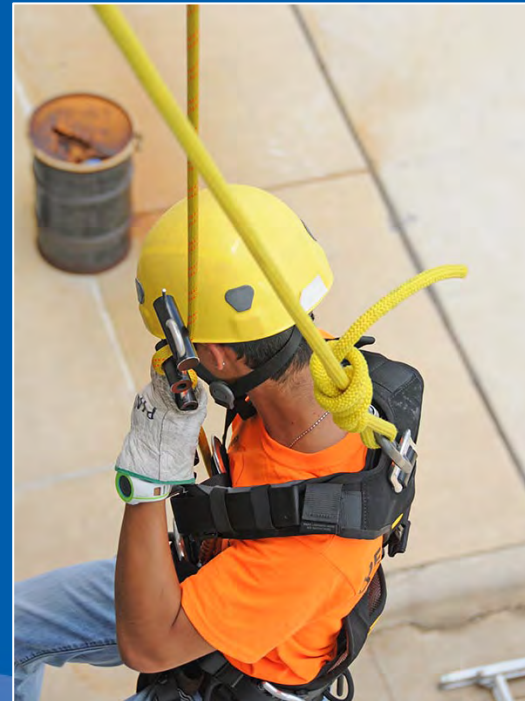
Emphasizes Surroundings



- **Divide frame into 3 parts**
 - Subject should be off center
- **Use small aperture for optimal depth of field**

Emphasize Surroundings

- Height creates a compelling atmosphere



Zoom and Wide Aperture

- Long focal length will compress distance
- Wide aperture gives shallow depth of field



Tips

Sports Photography

Continuous Shooting Is Your Buddy



Continuous Shooting Is Your Buddy



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Shoot from 45° Upfield From Action



- You're in better position as the action unfolds



Use Fast Shutter Speeds

Things happen fast.
You need to freeze
the action



Tips

Photoshop in 30 Seconds

Image – Adjustments - Levels



Image – Adjustments - Levels



Image – Adjustments - Vibrance



Fix Dark, Shadowy Images



Image – Adjustments – Shadows/Highlights



Tips

Telling the Story in Still Pictures

President Flies with Blue Angels





Hard to Compete With Video



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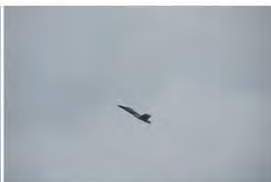
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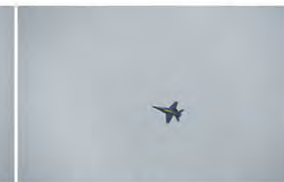
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Look for Human Moments



Community mourns life of Captain Jeff Kuss

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

PENSACOLA, FLA. (WPMI) — The U.S. military will investigate and learn from the tragic loss of Captain Jeff Kuss that took place yesterday in Smyrna, Tennessee. Now people all over are reacting to the sad news by taking to social media expressing there thoughts and prayers.

The Blue Angels is a nationwide show but it also hits close to home from many here on the gulf coast. It is a tradition for many families to travel and see them perform throughout the year in a variety of locations.




Captain Jeff Kuss was killed shortly after takeoff when his plane went down about 2 miles from the runway. The fatality was the first in nearly a decade involving the jets who take pride in the military.

Investigation is underway regarding the accident and as of right now there are not any memorials set up at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola.

TRENDING

-  Mobile County teacher placed on leave over quiz on drugs/prostitutes
-  Man comes home to find mating snakes hanging from attic
-  Teacher pregnant, accused of sex with 8th grader was accepted by boy's family
-  Mobile County Sheriff's Office searching for local man

OFFBEAT NEWS

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-  **UPDATED** Romanian town has 3 candidates for mayor, all with same name
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10:04AM Traffic Alert: Accident EB I10 between McDonald and Theodore Dawes roads.

All Moments Are Precious



Moments Become Poignant Later



KIII 3 News

June 6 at 5:30am · 🌐

Marine Captain Jeff Kuss, the Blue Angels pilot who was killed after his jet crashed last Thursday had ties to the Coastal Bend.



Fallen Blue Angels Pilot Remembered

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Corpus Christi Caller-Times

June 3 at 8:39pm · 🌐

Last year [U.S. Navy Blue Angels](#) pilot Jeff Kuss presented [Del Mar College](#) President Mark Escamilla with a signed portrait of the Blue Angels after the pair took a quick flight together in a Blue Angels jet.

Kuss died Thursday when his jet crashed into a field in Tennessee.

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Margaret Hayes USMC Captain. Rode the jet to the ground avoiding homes, businesses, and 2 gas stations. A true hero! RIP!

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Vickie Shular Praying for his family

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Kristine Goulas How very very sad. I pray for his family.

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