

QUARTER TWO, 2019



SLAB CITY

RESURRECTION MOUNTAIN

East of the Salton Sea, and tucked into the wild California desert is the rural community of Slab City. It is a piece of wild America.

No cops, no fire, no utilities, no laws.

The first thing you see upon entering is Resurrection Mountain. A low rock hill that has been painted over by every color imaginable. The folks there have built tunnels, chambers, and strange rooms of rock, driftwood, and fallen trees. They are also painted with whatever color they have at the time.

I spent some time trying to convey the wild aesthetic, and chaotic art that surrounded me.

























There is a little town at the southern edge of the Salton Sea filled with agricultural businesses, hard-working farmhands, and really good Mexican food restaurants.

I had a blast there, and I will return to that quiet little desert town called...

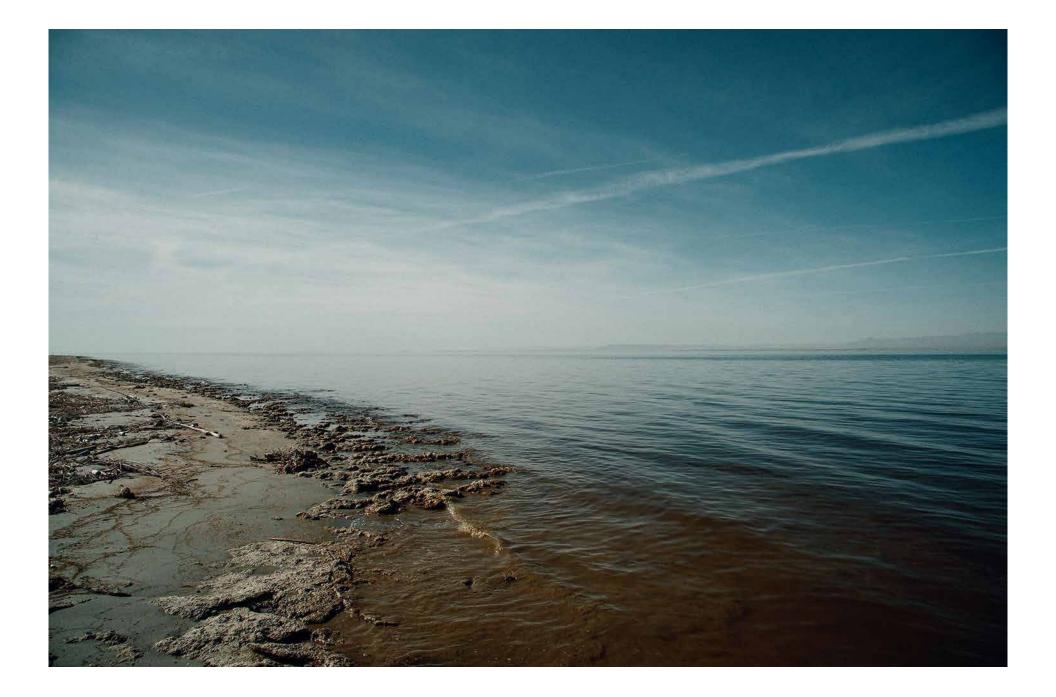
BRAWLEY AND THE SALTON SEA

... is one of the biggest environmental disasters on the planet and no one seems to give a damn.

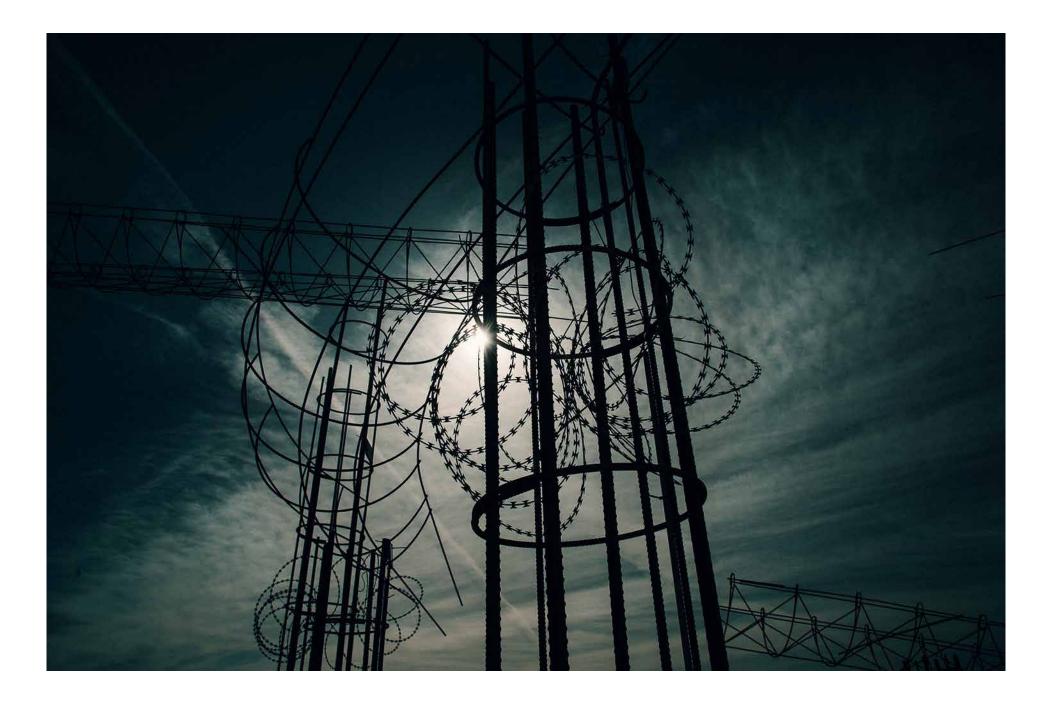
As the water continues to evaporate, the amount of bacteria that is being created simply boggle the mind.

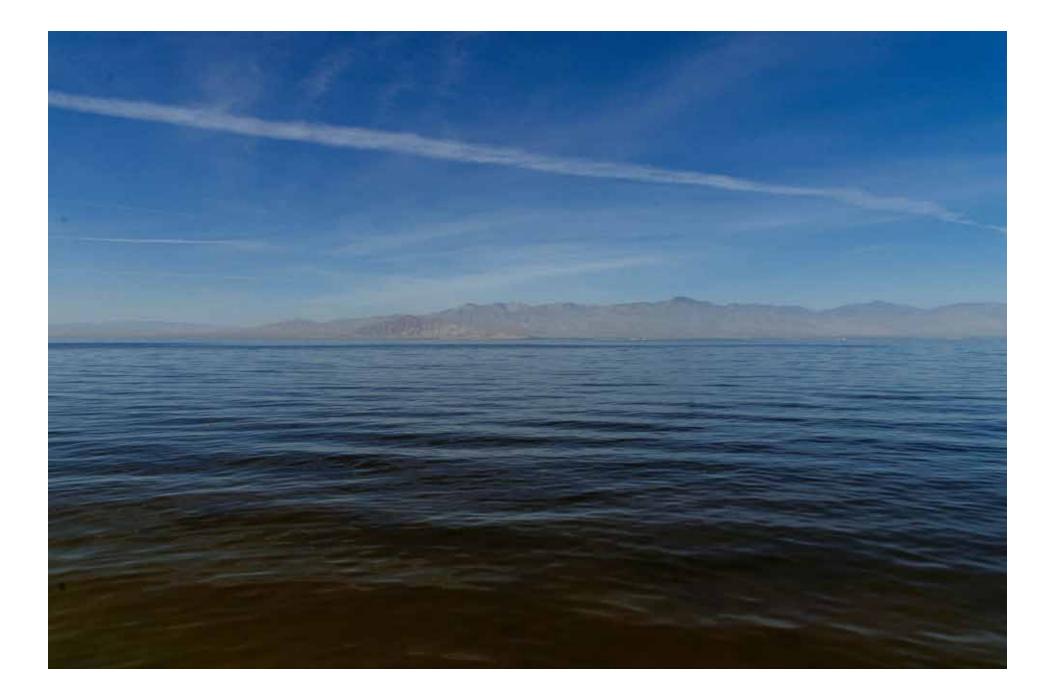
We must address this disaster at some point, but no one is ready for the hard quesions and tough answers that will follow.

I spent a few nights in Brawley, CA and explored the area around the Salton Sea and discovered so many interesting areas that I want to go back and spend more time making photographs.

















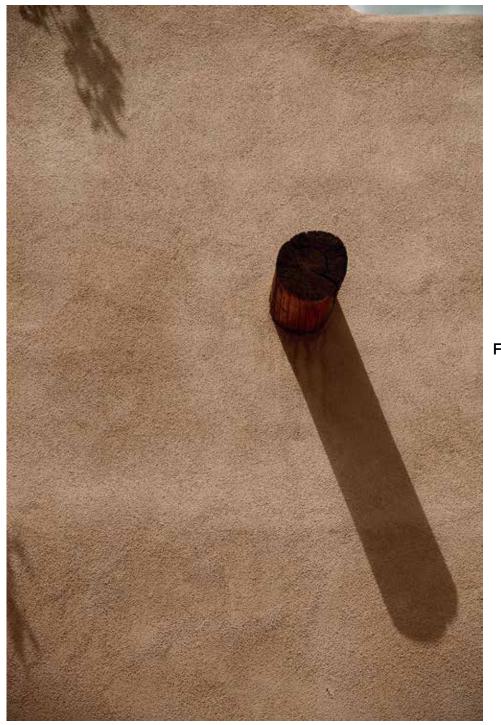












FOUR DAYS, TWO LANES, TWO WHEELS, AND A CAMERA

NORTH-ERN NEW MEXI-CO

I hadn't planned on this part of the trip, but I got snowed out of sourthern Colorado and just winged it in New Mexico.

It was a long ride from Phoenix to Albuquerque, but after that the miles were not that long, but the roads were incredibly beautiful.

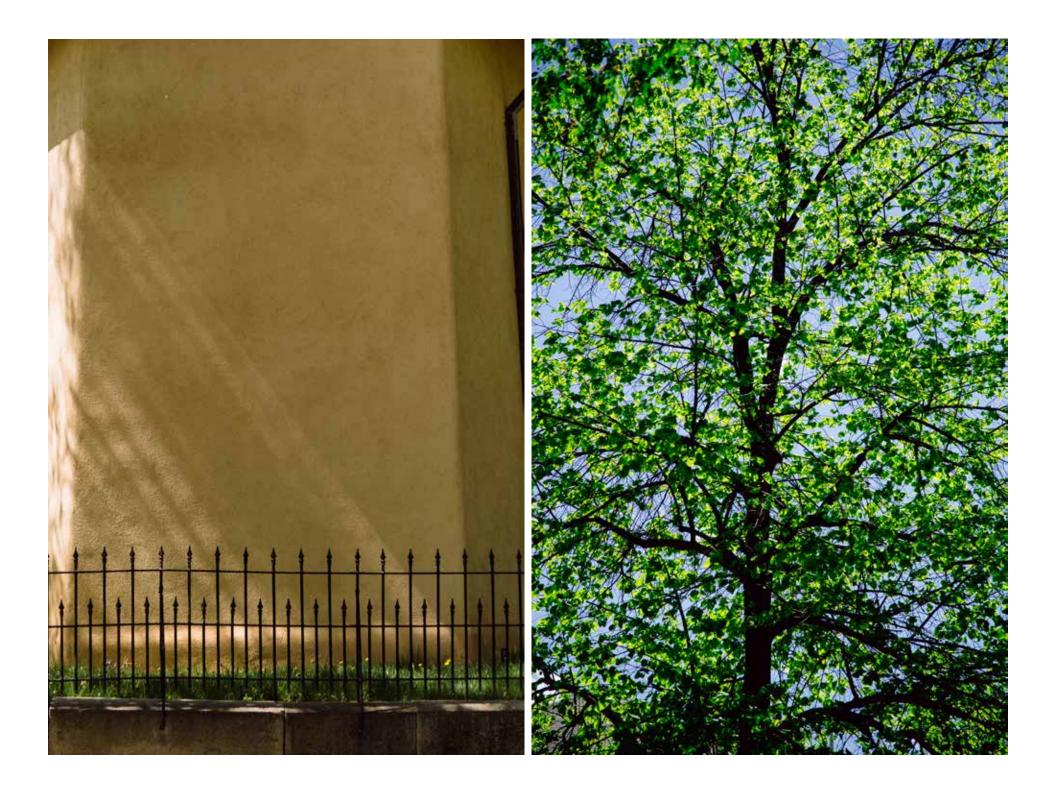
I spent two nights in Santa Fe and visited Taos via the old road between 25 and the mountains and that was simply an incredibe ride... did it twice.

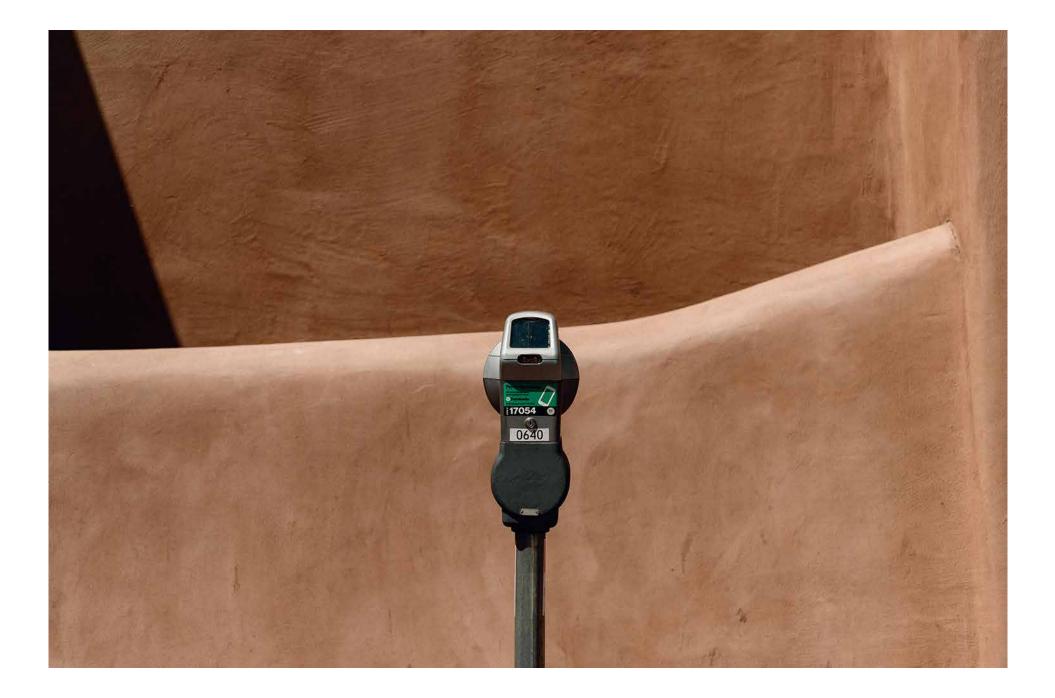
Then over the caldera to Cuba for great Mexican food at El Bruno's. (Try their green chili enchiladas... sooo good.)

There were many miles on a deserted Res road, and a very cold and wet ride from Holbrook to Payson, but overall it was a fun time and I made some images of places I had never seen before.



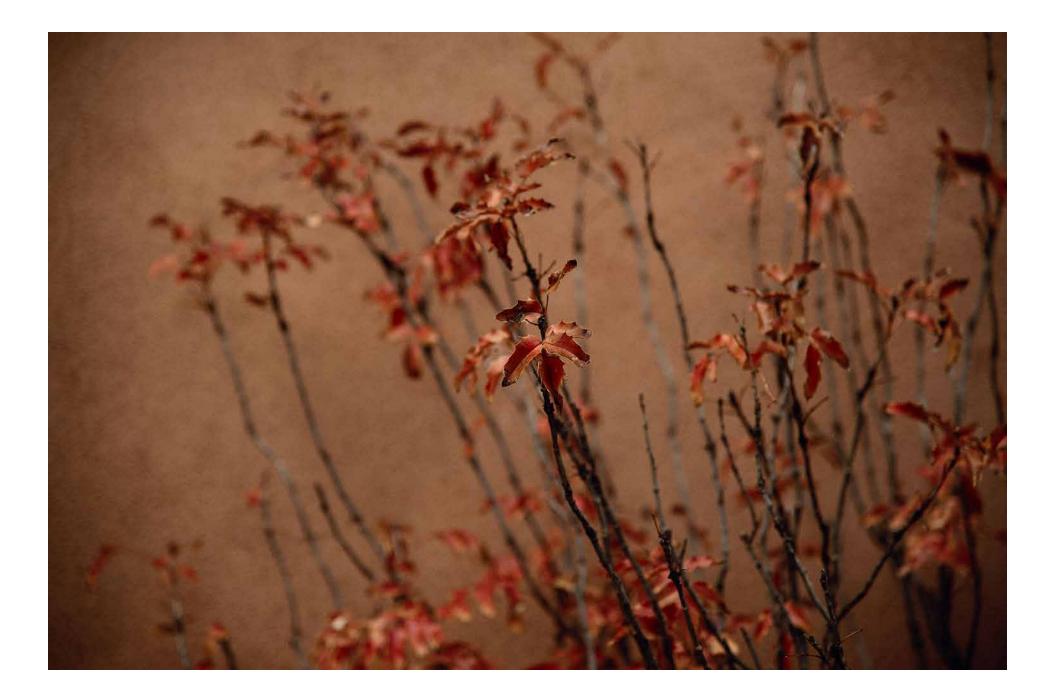


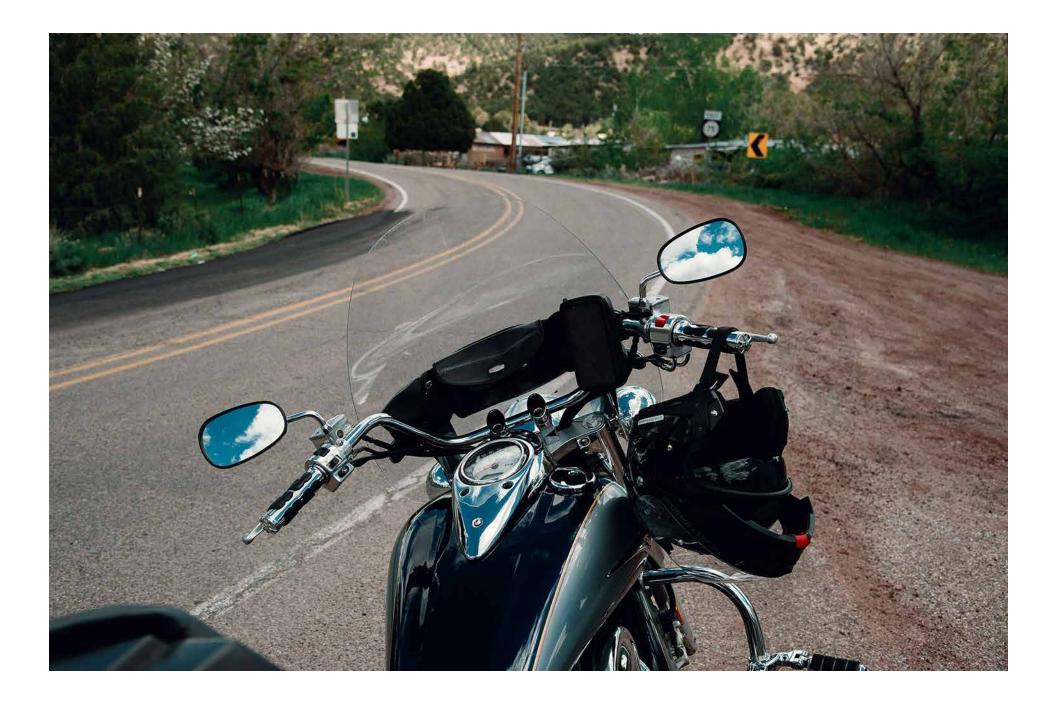


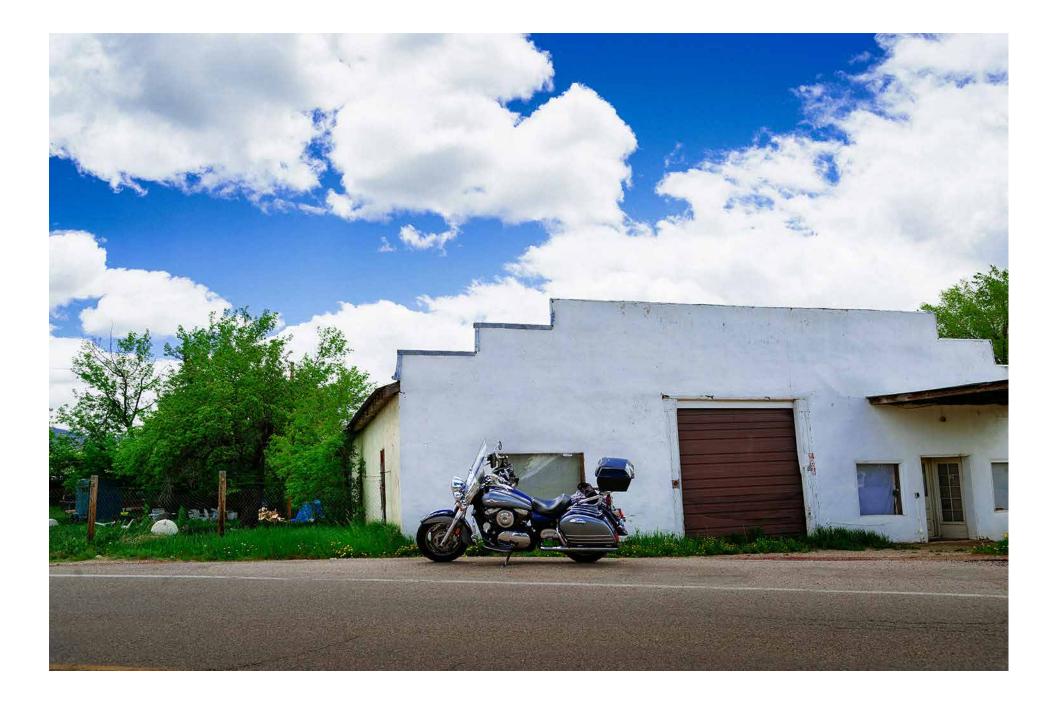






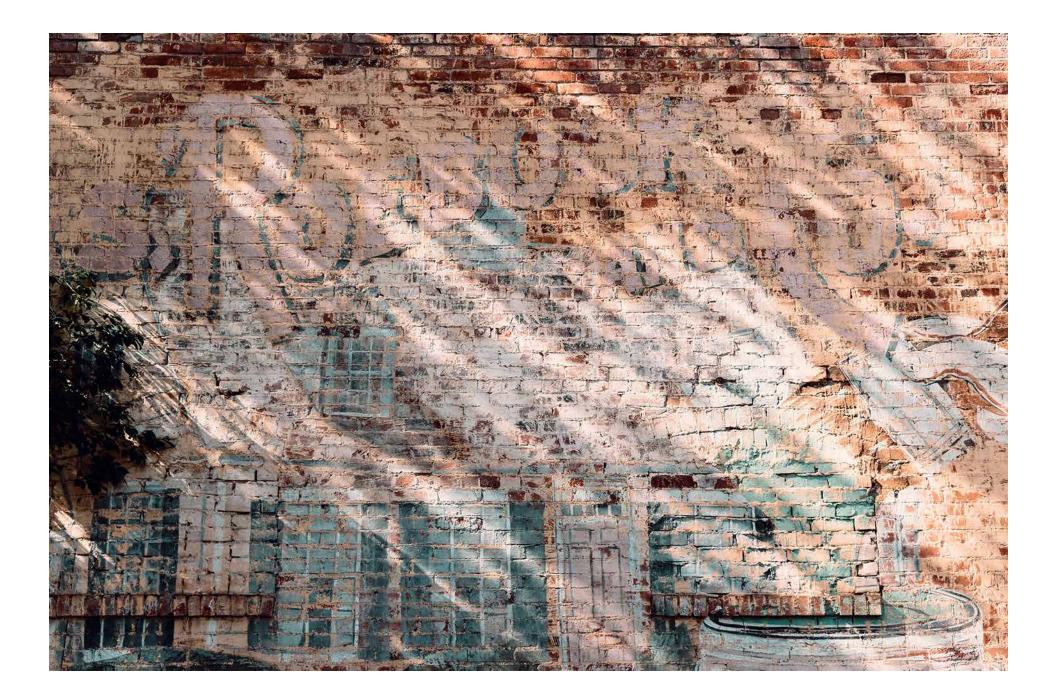




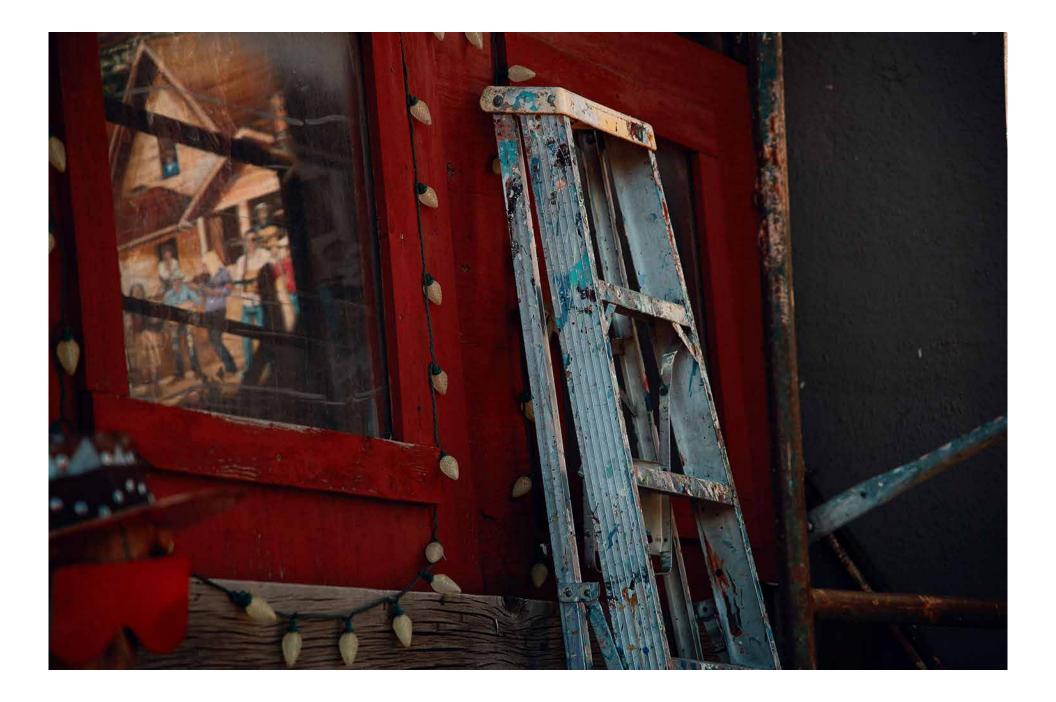


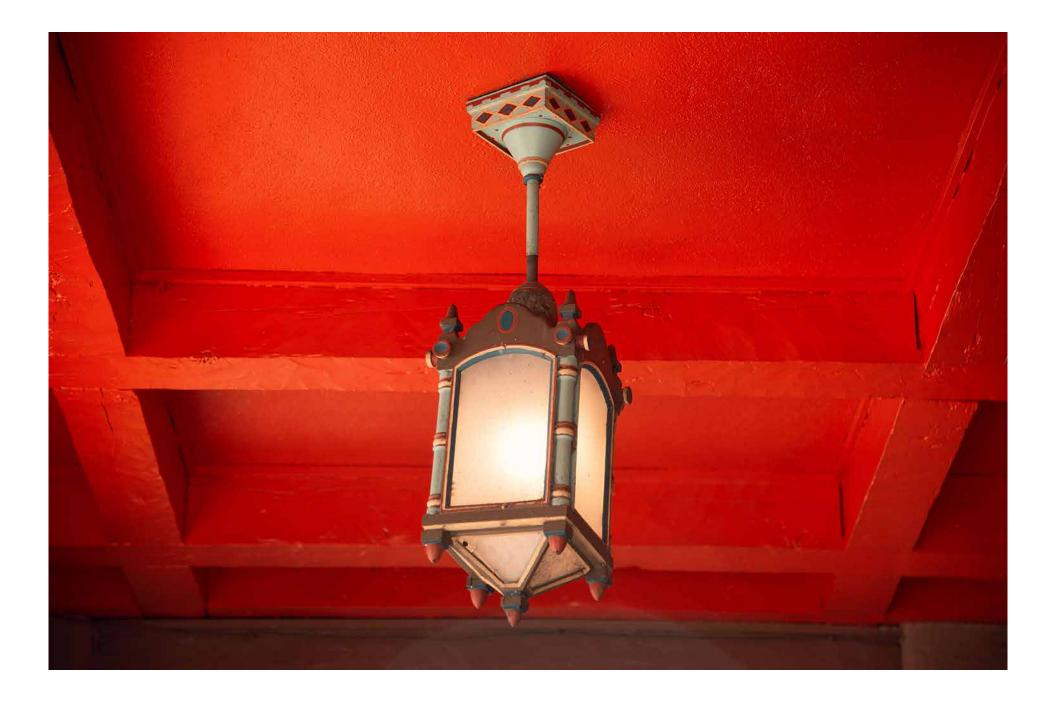
















DRAGONFLY RANCH AND ROUTE 66

We spent some time on a ranch up near Chino Valley, Arizona and decided to visit Seligman and the old Route 66 up along 140.

What a blast.

If you get a chance, go get some kicks on Route six six... oh, and get some great lunch chow at the Roadkill Cafe.























Juniper Trees on the Dragonfly Ranch

I was fascinated by the twists and turns of the Junipers on the Dragonfly Ranch property.

These images were shot on an iPhone 7 and processed in Carbon on the phone.













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