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This abstract image is a "Great Black Wasp" (*Sphex pennsylvanicus*) on a common zinnia. It was taken in the garden at Smedley Park in Springfield PA. I have used images from this location before because the gardens are very photogenic. This beautiful insect gives a nice contrast to the bright red flower it is sitting on. I am sure I wouldn't want to get this guy made at me. For more info about the Great Black Wasp, go to <http://bugguide.net/node/view/5530> .

As you have probably noticed, the image is blotchy and uneven. When I looked at this image after I got home, I noticed that the wasp was not in sharp focus. That would have been nice, but it didn't happen and it would be hard to coax the wasp to get back onto the flower for a re-shoot. So I did the next best thing, I made everything fuzzy. The software I have is relatively crude, but it gave me the effect I wanted. Now everything is a bit abstract and edgy. So now they will call it "fine art". Ha !

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We had a nice quiet month of July. No shows. But we have had some nice photographic opportunities. It is bad when you get too busy to take the camera out of the bag. We had a nice long camping weekend in the Lancaster/Berks PA county area. And the air quality was excellent, with very low humidity and crystal clear views. Lots of farms and cows and one nasty ram. It was a great getaway. We are heading out to New Hampshire soon and expect to get lots of moose shots. Or is that shots of mooses?

We will also have some exciting news soon, about a new relationship we are developing with a stock photo agency. These guys deal with magazines and book covers. I'm psyched.

We do have two shows coming up in September, and a few others in the works. I added a page at <http://www.thecreatorsfingerprints.com/artshows.htm> , which has the dates and info about these future shows. The first is the Media PA Super Sunday street fair on September 9, which is lots of fun. The Philadelphia Pine Street fair on September 23 is still tentative.

The web site just keeps chugging along. I have added things here and there, as time permits. The daily hits keep growing and we are getting other site linking to us, which is a nice compliment.

We also have more images to add to the gallery pages. Find them at <http://www.TheCreatorsFingerprints.com/gallery.htm> .

I hope you are enjoying this great time to be outdoors. Take a hike with your family/friends and take your camera with you. Then look carefully at the tiny things and the large things and appreciate how beautiful God's creation really is.

The Creator's Fingerprints

Doug Haas Nature Photography

Nature is so incredibly diverse, interweaving soft textures with rough elements, adding a splash of color amid dull backgrounds, bold designs among camouflage and secrecy. The variety of shapes and patterns seem limitless. And it all coexists and fits together seamlessly. Often inspiring, mysterious beyond rational explanation, we look to nature to understand our place in the universe, to realize we are part of an incredible, intelligent design.

But much of this beauty goes unseen and unappreciated. My wife Chris and I are always looking for those special images which most people just walk past. It is not necessary to visit exotic far off places. Many stunning images are right in our backyard. We especially marvel over the tiny or insignificant; fungi, centipedes, or fallen autumn leaves. Using our macro lens, close up photos of the ordinary shows detail that is dramatic or vibrant. Then looking across the large panoramic overlooks we drink in the immensity of our surroundings. And we are always looking for the unusual, odd and often fantastic scenes. We love to be artistically moody or abstract, offering prints which are beautiful and interesting.

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