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This image is from north of Virginia Beach, near the lighthouses inside Fort Story. It wasn't the perfect beach day. There was no bright sun for tanning.

But sometimes a cloudy day is a photographer's friend. Clouds are more interesting than a clear blue sky. And a bright overhead sun can burn out an image. Everything becomes harsh, and the shadows are wrong. But a cloudy day makes everything soft.

You have received this new calendar, with new pictures and dates, as a **free** gift. You can print it, copy it and e-mail it, for personal use only, to your heart's content. Send all subscription requests to doug@TheCreatorsFingerprints.com . (be specific in the title, I am brutal with spam) When you are on our mailing list, you will be updated with events and new photo availability. We promise not to be a pest.

If you like this **free** calendar, feel free to e-mail this to your friends and family, so they can enjoy it also.

Next month we will be in the 47th Ocean City NJ Boardwalk Art Show, August 7, 8 and 9, 10am to 6pm. This is another first for us. Chris is looking forward to the sun and surf.

More info about the event at <http://www.oceancityartscenter.org/BAS.html> , <http://www.capemaycountyherald.com/52534-47th+annual+boardwalk+art+show> , and directions at <http://www.oceancityvacation.com/> . Come visit with us, we will be between 9th and Moorlyn streets. I am looking forward to the soft cool ocean breezes.

Last month we were busy at the Haddonfield Fine Art and Crafts Festival. It still remains a major art event in the area and we enjoy talking to return customers.

For the future, we will be participating in the Doylestown PA Arts Festival on September 6 & 7, and then the Chestnut Hill PA Fall for the Arts Festival on October 4.

And now, for the really big news. Drum roll please. I have actually finished the new West Texas photo gallery. Two pages worth. We love to visit the desert because it seems so alien or other-worldly, especially compared to Southeast PA.

Check it out at <http://thecreatorsfingerprints.com/gallery.htm> .

A New Feature

We have decided to offer a new feature for our e-mail readers, and especially those who read all the way down to the bottom of the letter. (Tricky, huh!)

Just reply to this e-mail, put "Free Background Image" in the title, and **we will send you a free JPG file of the image on this calendar**. When you receive it, you should copy it to your computer and set the image as your Desktop background image. If you don't know how to do this, we will always include instructions when we reply.

And why would we do this?

First of all, we think you are really cool, and appreciate your interest.

Also, we want to keep our name in your memory, so that when you start redecorating a room in your house, fixing up your second home, want to spruce up your office or need a nice gift or gift certificate, you will think of us first.

We will be adding a slogan, or our name or just our e-mail address onto the image, in one of the right-hand corners. Hopefully it will not be too obtrusive. But we think you will really like it. These images will have reduced resolution and the logo, so we don't think they would make a nice print, but there would be nothing to stop you. These images are copyrighted, so no one should be publishing them, but we would consider any requests.

Let us know what you think, and enjoy.

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 images. We love to be artistically moody or abstract, offering prints which are beautiful and interesting.

Prints from Doug Haas Nature Photography will always be eye catching hanging on your wall, in your house or office. We try to capture beauty, things unusual or interesting; hopefully all three. They also make great gifts which show the recipient that you care and you have great taste. Gift

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