

Downtown Los Angeles

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WHAT IS FLUX

FLUX is an open-source chronological photography publishing system. Every 15 photographs automatically becomes a new issue.

The system generates:

- PDF publication
- contact sheet
- metadata manifest
- lightweight image package
- printable issue

STEP_01

CAPTURE

CAMERA: compact digital camera
FILE TYPE: small JPEG
COLOR MODE: high contrast black and white

PURPOSE:

- eliminate processing
- eliminate workflow friction
- maximize speed

STEP_02

SELECT

SELECT 15 PHOTOGRAPHS
REVIEW SMALL THUMBNAILS ONLY
MAKE FINAL SELECTIONS
FROM CONTACT SHEET VIEW

SELECT QUICKLY

DO NOT:

- overedit
- oversequence
- overanalyze

DO NOT SEARCH

FOR PERFECT FRAMES

TARGET: 15 PHOTOGRAPHS PER ISSUE

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STEP_03

UPLOAD

DRAG SELECTED FILES INTO:
/BROWSER_UPLOAD/

RUN:

GENERATE FLUX ISSUE PDF

STEP_04

SYSTEM AUTOMATION

SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY:

- reads timestamps
- preserves chronological order
- generates derivatives
- creates metadata
- generates contact sheet
- generates issue number
- generates issue PDF
- compresses for sharing

DIGITAL ISSUE:

browser generated PDF

OUTPUT_STRUCTURE

DIGITAL ISSUE INCLUDES:

- chronological photo pages
- downloadable PDF
- metadata manifest
- contact sheet

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS REMAIN
IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

STEP_05

ISSUE GENERATION

WHEN 15 NEW PHOTOGRAPHS
ARE DETECTED:

SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY:

- creates next FLUX issue
- sequences photographs
- preserves capture order
- generates issue number
- generates issue PDF

NO MANUAL LAYOUT REQUIRED

STEP_06

PRINT

PRINT: double sided
PAPER: 8.5 x 11 office paper

STACK PAGES

ALIGN EDGES

DO NOT FOLD

STAPLE LEFT SIDE

USING COVER MARKS

STEP_07

ARCHIVE

STORE ISSUES CHRONOLOGICALLY

PRESERVE ISSUE NUMBERS

MAKE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE

PRINT

DISTRIBUTE

DOWNLOAD

REPRODUCE

END_OF_PROTOCOL





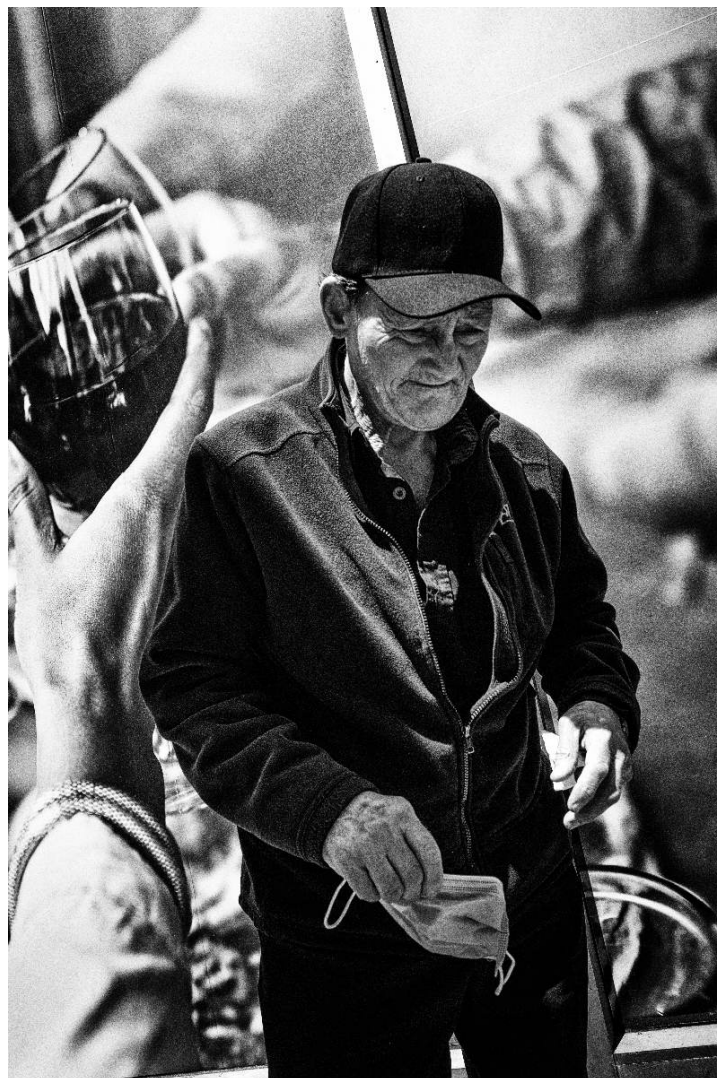


























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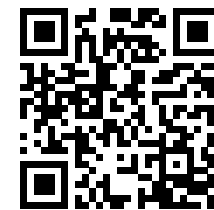
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SCAN TO MAKE YOUR OWN
AUTOMATIC ZINE

