

Digital Photography For Designers

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Architecture Triptych

Experimentation with different angles, perspectives, and viewpoints

The Vessel Hudson Yards

The Grand Perspective

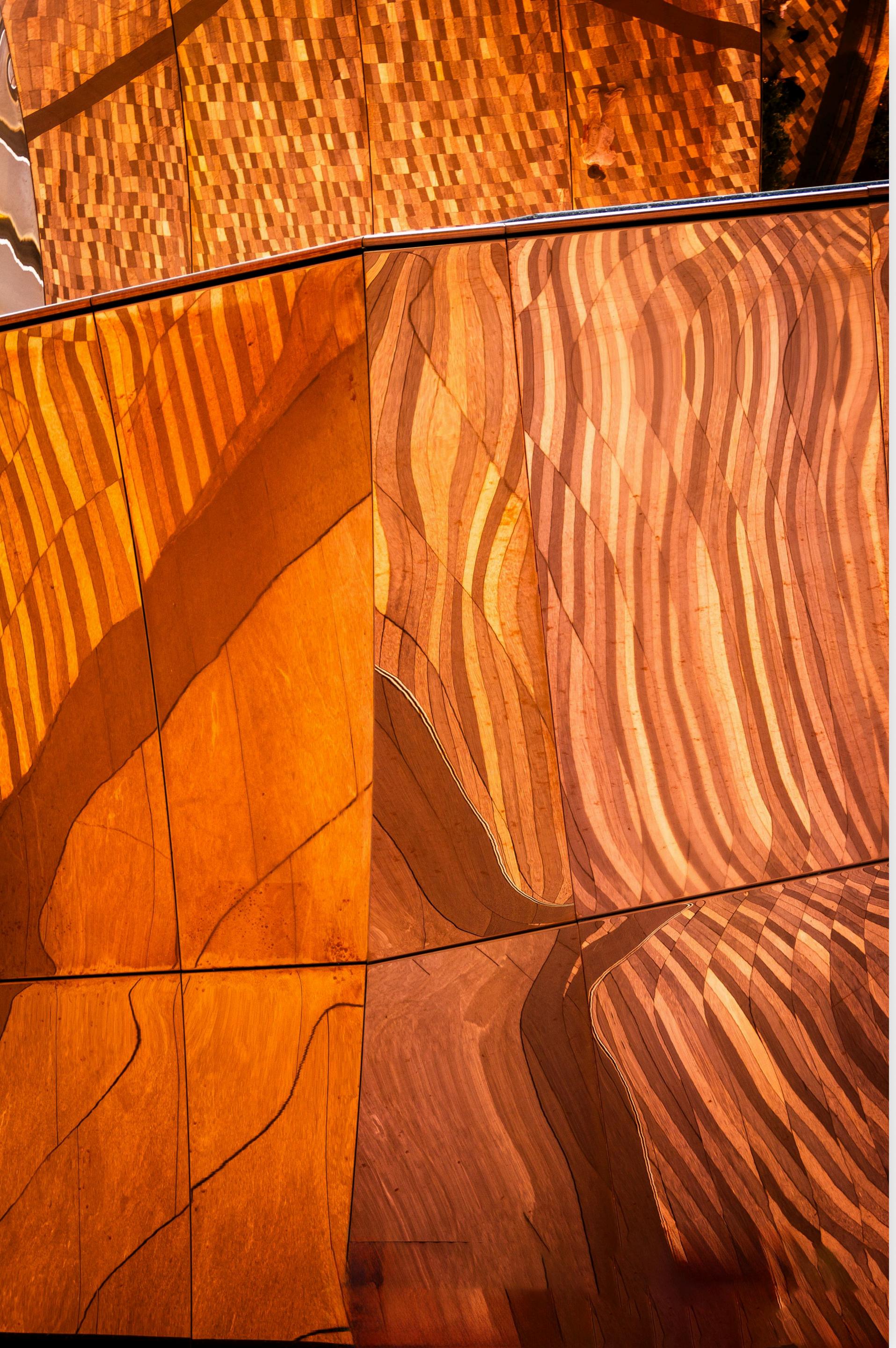
I chose The Vessel as my subject for the architecture triptych because of its unique and modern design. The image's symmetrical composition emphasizes the Vessel's balanced structure, drawing the viewer's eye upwards and highlighting its repetitive patterns.



The Vessel Hudson Yards

Abstract Reflection

This abstract shot shows the reflection patterns on The Vessel's surfaces, creating a mosaic-like effect.



The Vessel Hudson Yards

A Closer Look

I aimed to showcase not only the architectural brilliance but also the artistic elements that make The Vessel a standout piece



Skyline Views

Capturing the Urban Essence

Empire State Building

Cluster of skyscrapers in Manhattan

The closely packed buildings create a sense of unity and structure. The lines of the streets and buildings continuity.

The similar shapes and colors of the skyscrapers give a feeling of order.



One World Trade Center

This picture captures the iconic One World Trade Center standing tall against a dramatic sky. The contrast between the towering structure and the moody clouds creates a powerful visual effect, emphasizing the height and significance of the building.

Principle of Figure-Ground: The tower stands out sharply against the sky, making it the focal point.



Cycling with a View

In this photo, I combined two elements: the serene view of One World Trade Center and the personal touch of my bicycle. The composition adds a sense of adventure and exploration, with the bike symbolizing movement and freedom against the backdrop of the iconic skyline.



One World Trade Center

Low Angle Shot

Taken from a low angle, it emphasizes the tower's impressive height and modern design, symbolizing resilience and strength. The cloudy sky adds a dramatic backdrop, enhancing the building's sleek glass facade. Framed by lush green trees at the base



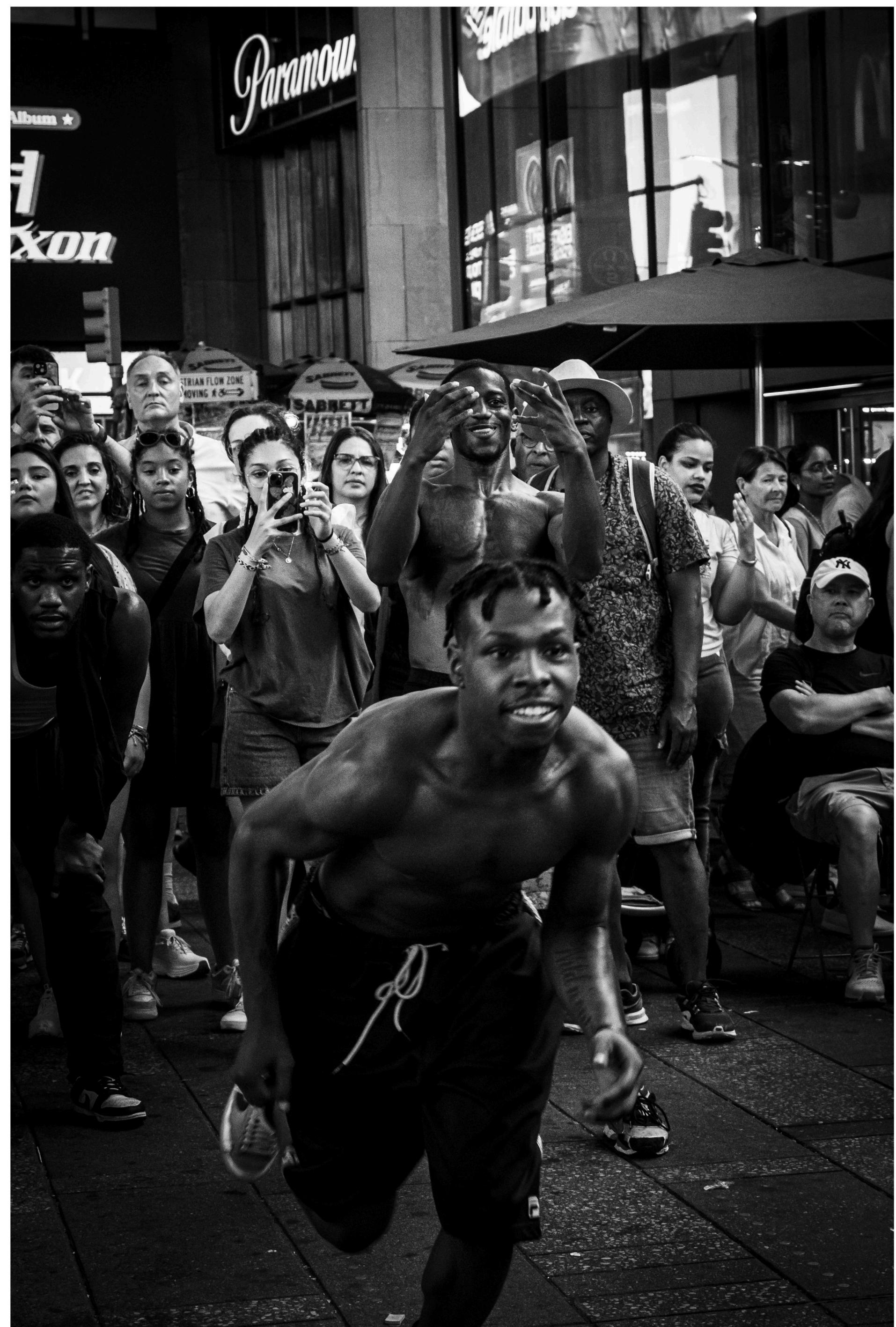
Action & Movement

Learned to use shutter speed and timing to capture motion effectively.

Times Square

Street Performer in Action

This black-and-white photo captures a street performer mid-action, with an enthusiastic crowd in the background. The focus on the performer's intense expression and movement creates a sense of urgency and excitement.



Times Square

Mid-Flip in Times Square

This photo shows a performer mid-flip in Times Square, with the surrounding crowd watching intently. The moment captures the peak of the action, freezing the performer in mid-air.



6th Ave

Manhattanhenge

This photograph captures a mesmerizing moment where the setting sun aligns perfectly between two buildings. The silhouette of a photographer in the foreground adds a personal touch.

The principle of "Symmetry and Order" is also present, as the sun is perfectly centered between the buildings.



Manhattan

Street Moment in New York

The woman raising her hand is likely signaling for a cab. Her outfit and unique hairstyle reveal a lot about her personality and style.



Macro Photography

Understanding the depth of field in close-up photography.

Bryant Park

Leaf Close-Up

This close-up shot captures the intricate details of a leaf, emphasizing its texture, veins, and vibrant colors.

Proximity: The close-up shot brings out the minute details, making the viewer feel connected to the subject.



Bryant Park

Reflection of Trees & Building in a Phone Screen

For this shot, I wanted to explore the concept of reflections and how they can offer a different perspective on our surroundings. By focusing on the reflection of trees on a phone screen, I created an abstract representation that merges nature with technology.



Black & White

Learned to see the world in monochrome and understand the impact of light and shadow.

Freeman Alley

Graffiti Wall

The wall is a canvas for various street artists who have left their mark through different styles and messages. The prominent use of posters and drawings layered over each other creates a chaotic yet intriguing visual narrative.

Proximity: The close arrangement of posters and drawings generates a cohesive and densely packed visual space.





Bowery, New York

Champagne Problems Chips Decor

I took this picture at a chips-themed lounge, which I found fascinating due to its creative and unexpected decor.

Repetition: The repeated elements (chip bags) create a rhythm and sense of consistency.



Night Photography

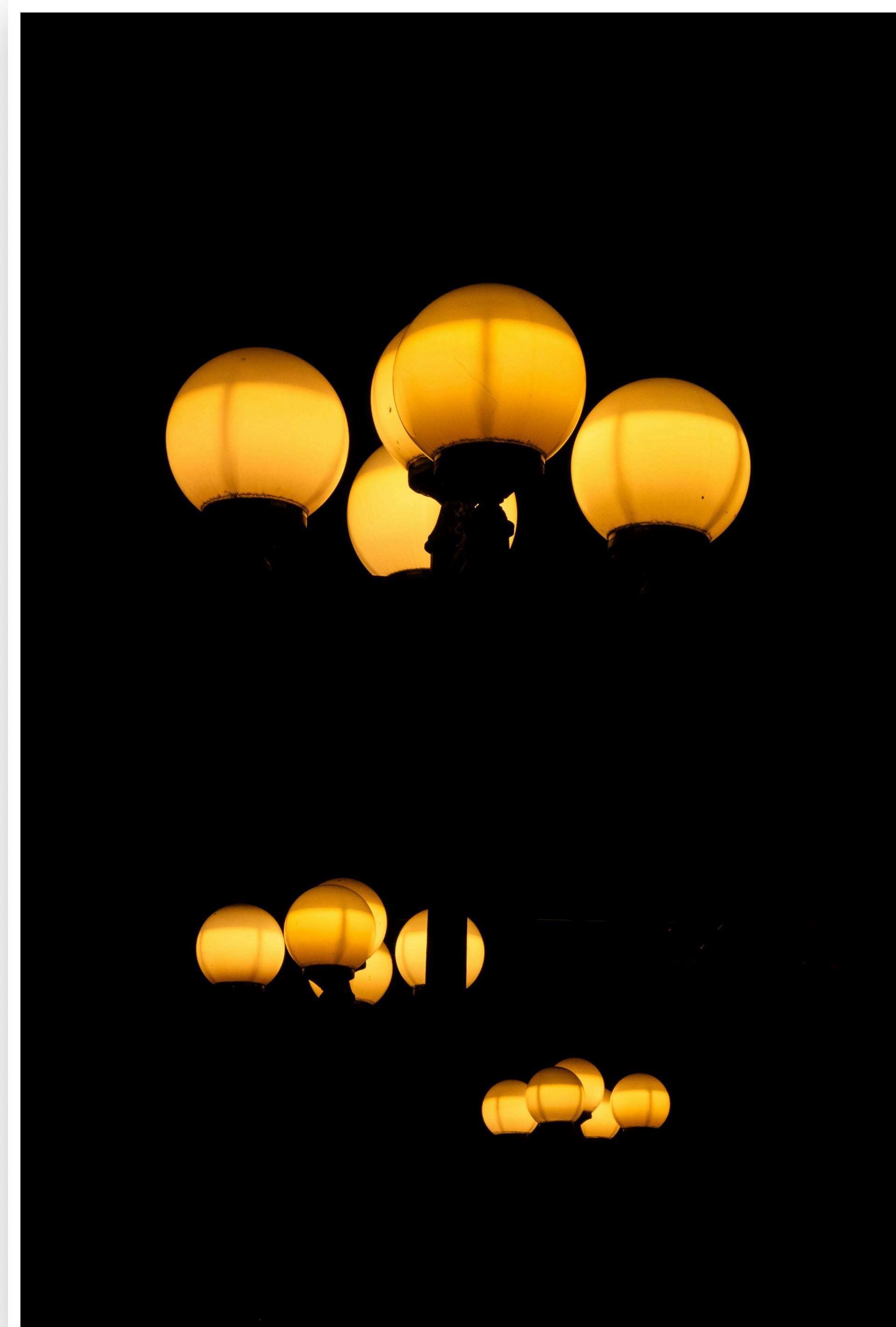
Understanding long exposure and the use of artificial light sources.

Union Square 14th St

Lamp Post Illumination

This photo captures a series of lamp posts glowing warmly against the dark night sky.

This image uses the principle of **figure-ground**, where the bright lamps (figure) stand out distinctly against the dark background (ground).



Downtown

Church Tower

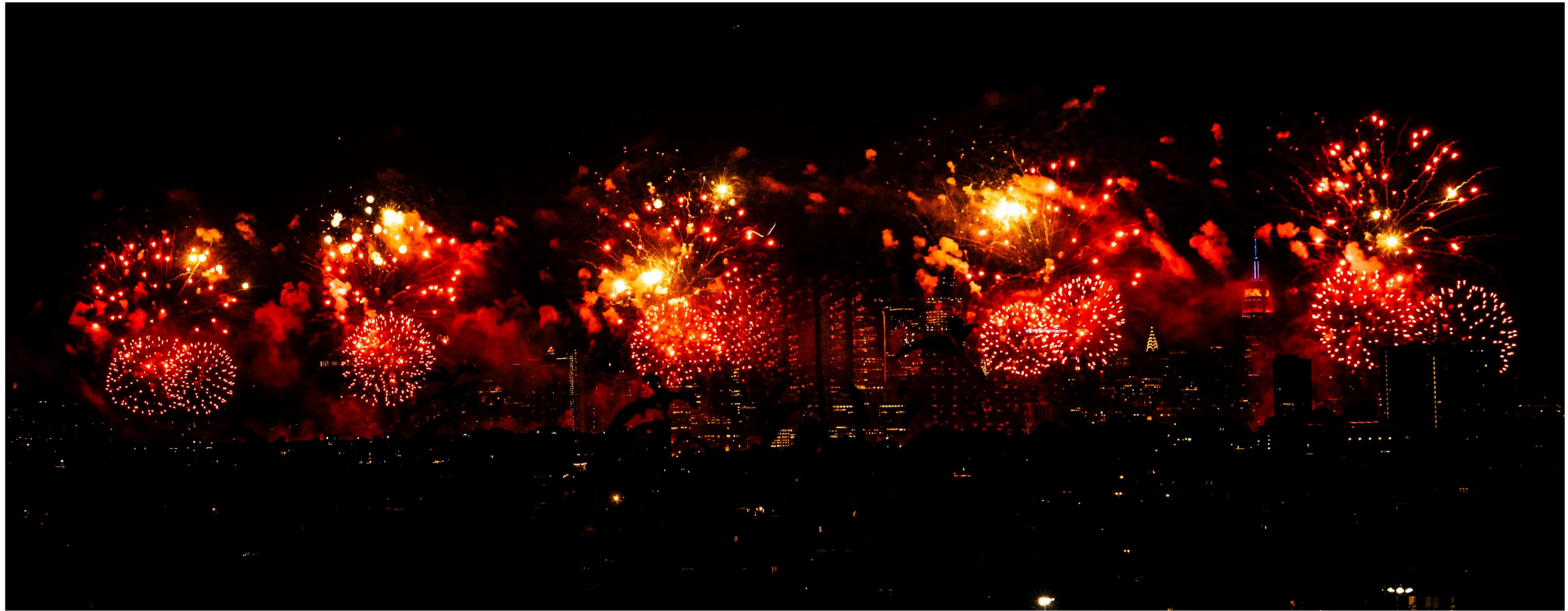
This photo features a church tower, dramatically lit against the dark sky

I wanted to capture the towering presence and intricate details of the church against the night sky.



July 1st Fireworks

This image captures the vibrant fireworks display on July 1st. The bursts of red and gold light up the night sky, creating a dazzling spectacle over the cityscape.



Thank You !

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