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THE WAR FOR THE UNION.



PHOTOGRAPHIC HISTORY.

Dr. Richard Burr, Embalming Surgeon, Army of the James
Unknown photographer; E. & H.T. Anthony & Co., publisher (NYC)
1864

The comparatively small stereo camera was used extensively to document the Civil War.



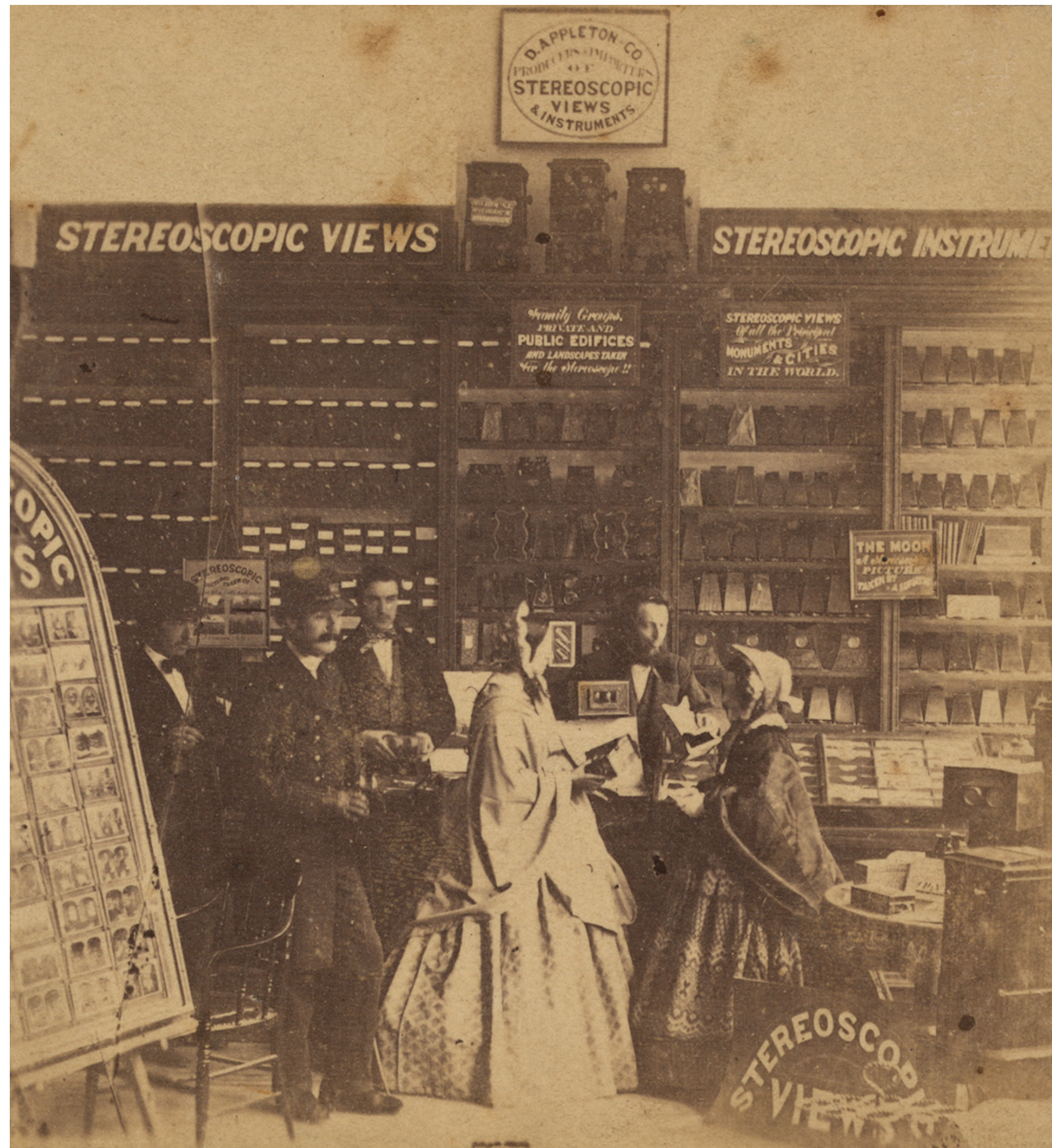
What's Binocular Vision (got to do with it)?

2 eyes=2 different perspectives.
Brain combines them into a 3D image.
Binocular vision=depth perception.

Not everyone can see in 3D. My twin had strabismus.
Monocular vision=no depth perception.



My twin Rani (left) couldn't see in 3D





Schuyler Baldwin, *Michigan Asylum for the Insane, Male Building*, date unknown (probably 1880s). Collection of Zhang Lecacy Collections Center



Briscoe Western Art Museum Photo by Colleen Woolpert



California Museum of Photography photo courtesy of museum



Alaska Native Heritage Center photo by Marc Shaffer



Smithsonian Archives of American Art Photo by Colleen Woolpert



Buffalo and Erie Public Library photo courtesy of library

Some of the over two dozen
stereograph exhibits that
others have created with the
TwinScope Viewer

Making Stereographs Then



Until the 1880s, photogs. took their darkrooms along

Making Stereographs: Capture

Devices & Techniques

For static subjects (or experiments)

- Single camera sequential
- Smartphone capture
- Cha Cha for L/R
- App: i3D Steroid (iPhone), 3D Steroid (Android)
- Single Camera on slide bar

For action subjects

- 3D Camera
- 2-single cameras (“twin rig”)
- Single camera with a 3D lens
- Single camera with a beam splitter



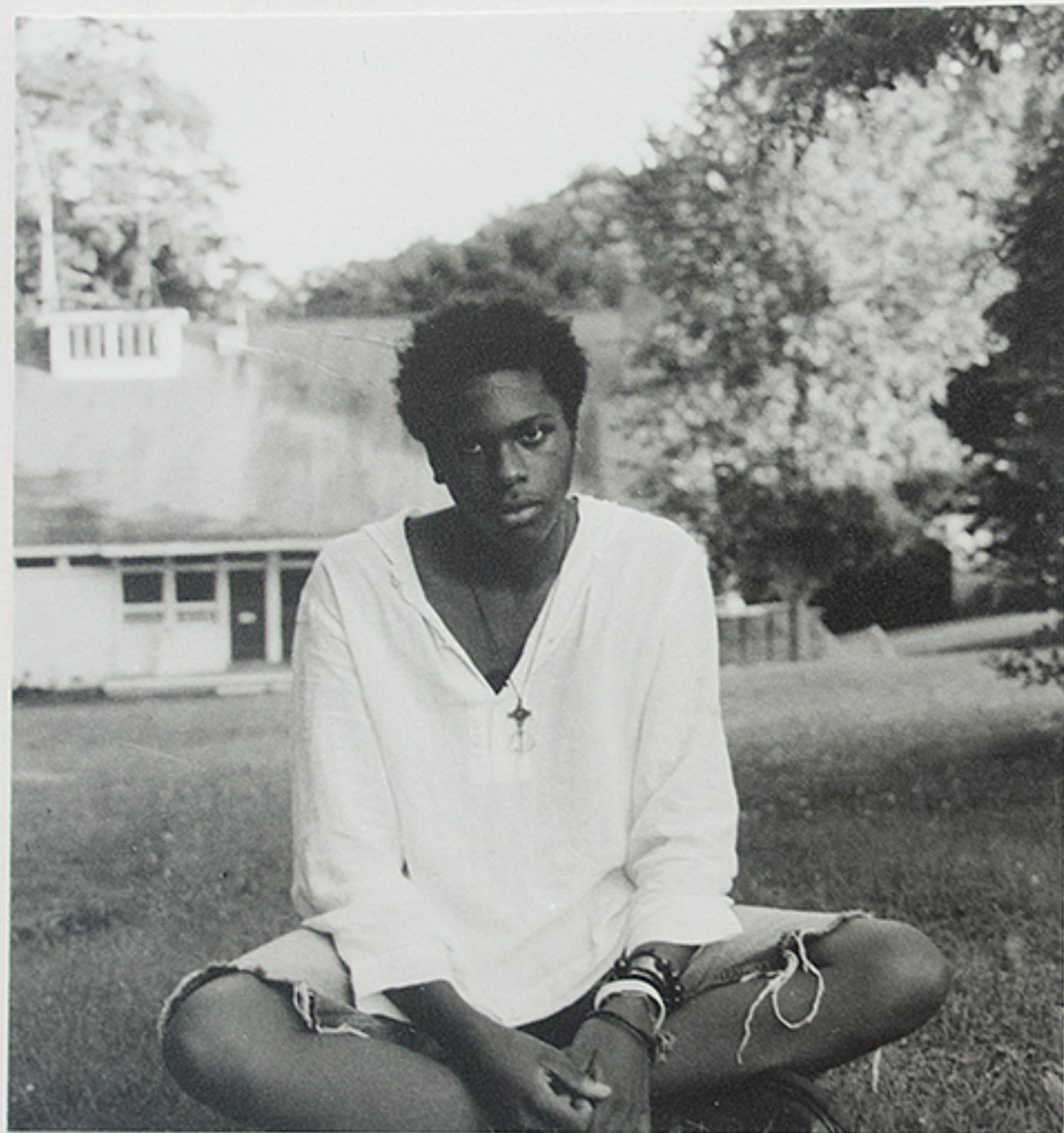
Cha-cha w/ smartphones



3D camera



“twin rig” with synched shutters









Before We Begin

What makes a great 3D image?

CUE: please view actual examples now

What do you notice about the following? What interests or attracts you?

- **Frame/Format:** Horizontal, vertical, square?
- **Viewpoint:** Level with subject, looking up or down? Straight or tilted?
- **Subject matter:** What's portrayed? How simple/busy is the image?
- **Composition:** How are elements arranged?
- **Focus (Depth of field):** Is everything sharp?
- **How Motion is Portrayed (Shutter Speed):** Sharp/blurry?
- **Perspective (lens selection):** Normal, wide-angle, or telephoto?

Before we Begin (cont.)

Cue: please view actual examples now

Consider depth cues from “regular” photography

- Side lighting: show form & texture
- Distance to subject: closer, not too close
- Lens selection: when to use wide/tele
- Leading lines: from near to far
- Frames within frames: looking through something into distance

Which is the left/right view? Are they correctly oriented, or pseudoscopic?

How to “free view” without a stereoscope (parallel; cross)

Challenge: Depth is novel, but does the image offer anything else?

Making Stereographs:

Capture

Single Camera Sequential 3D Photos

—w/ Smartphones (or tablets)

Steps to capture L/R Images *WITH* App

1. Launch app, Select camera icon
2. Hold smartphone vertically (portrait)
3. Set/Lock focus & exposure
4. Compose; Take 1st pic (left)
5. Shift right (watch overlay); take 2nd pic (right)
 - Cha Cha: Pivot on hips, hold camera level (don't tilt)
 - Stereo base? 2.5" normal, hyper/hypo (1/30 rule)
 - Exceptions to left/right order: cloud movement
6. In app, select magic hat (lower left) to see deviation (1-3%)
 - Deviation=stereo base; if not good, reshoot
 - Magic hat=alignment=first step in processing









<https://colleenwoolpert.com/>

(see TwinScope Stereograph Projects)

As an artist and educator, I:

- * Make stereographs and stereoscopes (the patented TwinScope Viewer & SLIM TwinScope Viewer)
- * Produce exhibitions of vintage and contemporary stereographs
- * Use my stereoscopic art to discuss binocular vision and promote vision therapy for strabismus
- * Give workshops (currently Zoom) on how to take 3D photos and make stereographs

Additional Links:

<https://colleenwoolpert.com/Workshop-Making-Stereographs-digital>

<https://stereoscopy.blog/2020/06/05/how-to-make-your-own-iphone-stereoviews-basic-tutorial/>

<https://stereoscopy.blog/2020/05/29/how-to-make-your-own-smartphone-stereoviews-basic-tutorial/>

<https://stereoscopy.blog/2019/08/04/how-to-view-stereoscopic-3-d-images-basic-tutorial/>

<https://www.berezin.com/3d/3dglASSES.htm>

<https://stereoworld.org/>