Forced Perspective Car Photography



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Forced Perspective- What is it?

Forced perspective is a technique that employs **optical illusion** to make an object **appear farther away**, **closer**, **larger or smaller** than it actually is. It **manipulates human visual perception** through the use of scaled objects and the correlation between them and the vantage point of the spectator or camera.

Example Images



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BTS-Camera Settings

Aperture: f/22

Shutter: 1/50

ISO: 640





Before

- 1. Removed debris
- 2. Fixed spoiler
- 3. Darkened person
- 4. Added clarity and increased black (car only)

Post-Processing

Setup



After





Before

- 1. Removed transitions & debris
- 2. Cropped
- 3. Added clarity and increased black

Post-Processing

After





Before

- 1. Removed transitions & debris
- 2. Darkened tailpipes
- 3. Fixed spoiler
- 4. Cropped
- 5. Added clarity and increased black

Post-Processing

After



Stations:

Outside:

- Light paint real cars
- try your hand at forced perspective with 1:18 scale model cars
- practice forced perspective with objects/people

Inside:

- Try to create a realistic winter scene with a model truck
- Explore the moon & silhouettes
- Light paint still-life- cheese, wine and delicious treats

Camera Settings

As a general rule:

Utilize manual settings on your camera so you can control the light-

-Light painting stations will require a 10" or 15" second shutter speed

-Focusing in the dark-----

- 1. Use **autofocus** to focus on the subject **in the light**
- 2. **Switch the lens to manual focus** so the camera doesn't refocus when the picture is taken
- 3. Take the picture in the dark

Check out the Pros

https://www.flickr.com/photos/24796741@N05/albums/72157604247242338/with/ 4418999044

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-YxN7wKUv_s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ae8r_4ChhrE&t=70s