

**copy I would use in my upcoming newsletter if the workshop were to go**

**Salvation Mountain, the Salton Sea and maybe up to Mecca\*.....**After the first two workshops, running around the west like a bunch of beheaded chickens, It'll be nice to settle down for a couple of days and casually suck up the area dominated by that incredible blunder, the.....Salton Sea. I really don't know how to describe it. You just have to come and see for yourself. Camp with me at Slab City amongst the snow birds and the US Marine Corps on maneuvers, eat in a six table Mexican restaurant where they barely speak English, but the food is good and fun, and.....we'll do Leonard Knight and Salvation Mountain. Understand I'm not very religious. I like churches and chapels, as long as I don't have to sit through the dialogue imposed on parishoners. Leonard Knight and his Salvation Mountain is indeed a very special event; A happening. A true Christian, an incredible artist, and stubborn. That's Leonard. But oh so gentle. You see, he's painted this mountain; with paint given by Cal Trans and lots of other folks, to the tune of about 90 gallons per week, for years. It is outrageous, and it is gorgeous. A modern day Marc Chagall with a New England touch. 100% class. And he does this thing alone; painting his mountain. He does not solicit money. He does not try to sell you religion. He just does 'his thing', and writes songs and plays his guitar and sings for his supper at the nearest restaurant. Well, every year, for some time now, I've visited Salvation Mountain, and on departure, take up a small collection to give to Leonard for allowing me and my students the freedom of photographing his art. This visit will be different. I really care for Leonard ( as do many others), so if you come to this workshop, first I'll cut the price about in half with the hope that maybe twenty or thirty might attend. Then I'll take off the expenses of doing a workshop, insurance, mailing, whiskey, Spam, etc., and give the rest to Leonard. At \$100 a head, if 20 show up, I can probably give Leonard \$1000. Come on, let's do it. Once in a while, one needs to do something for the good of the order. This is one of those times.

\* Neat small town just north of the Salton Sea.

Photographic instruction included, no extra charge.

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