Oregon Breaths the earth abides

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Dedicated to Martine Richardson Sacks, companion traveler, constant lover



Peoples "...go and come, but the Earth abides" -Ecclesiastes I:4

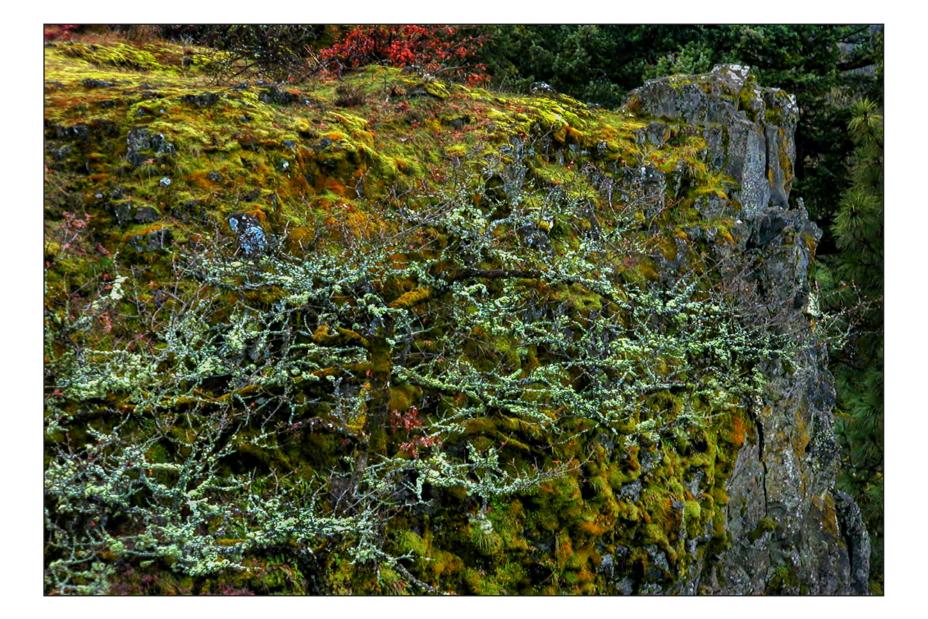
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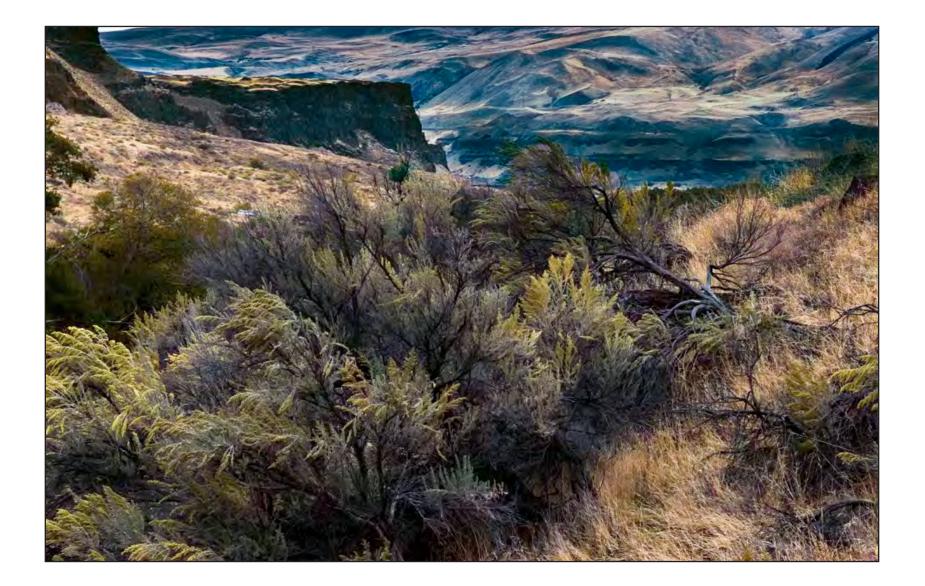




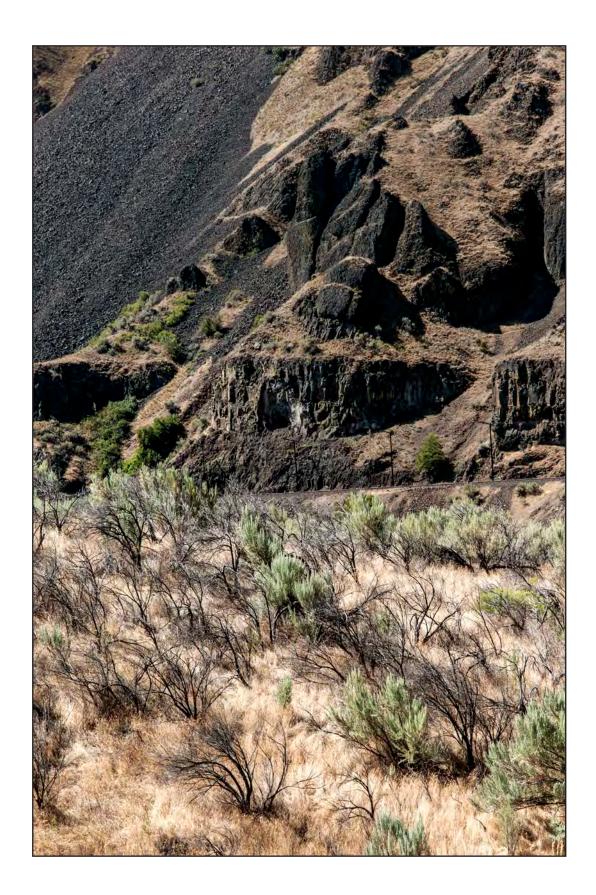


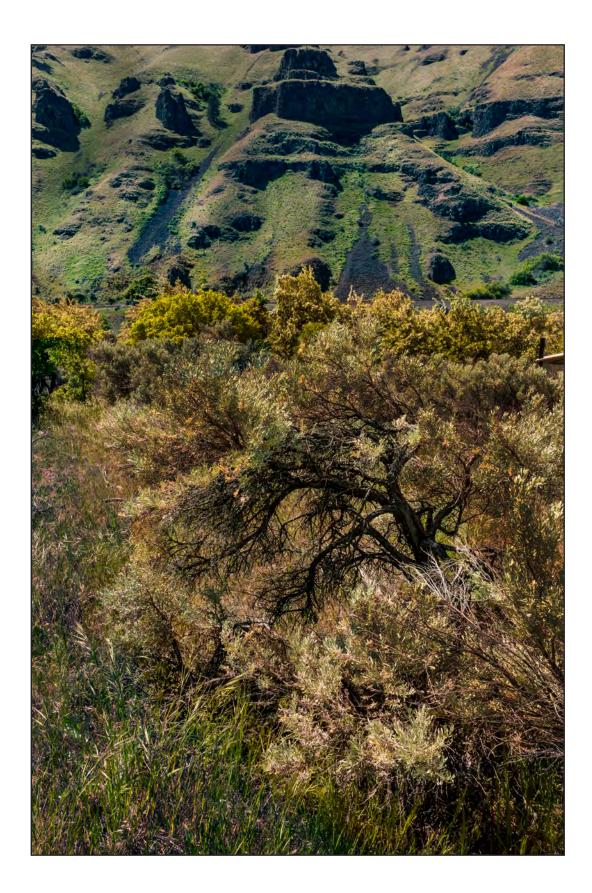






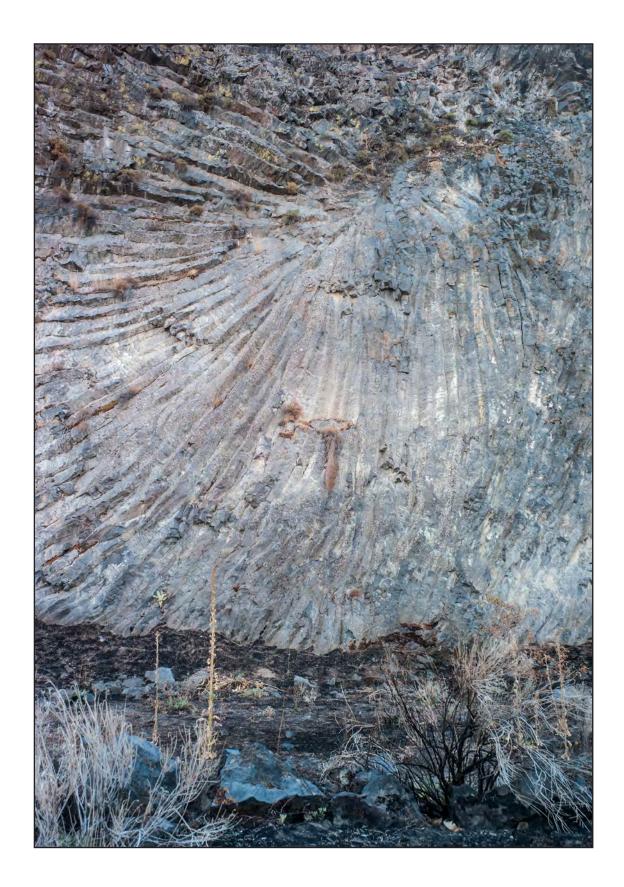














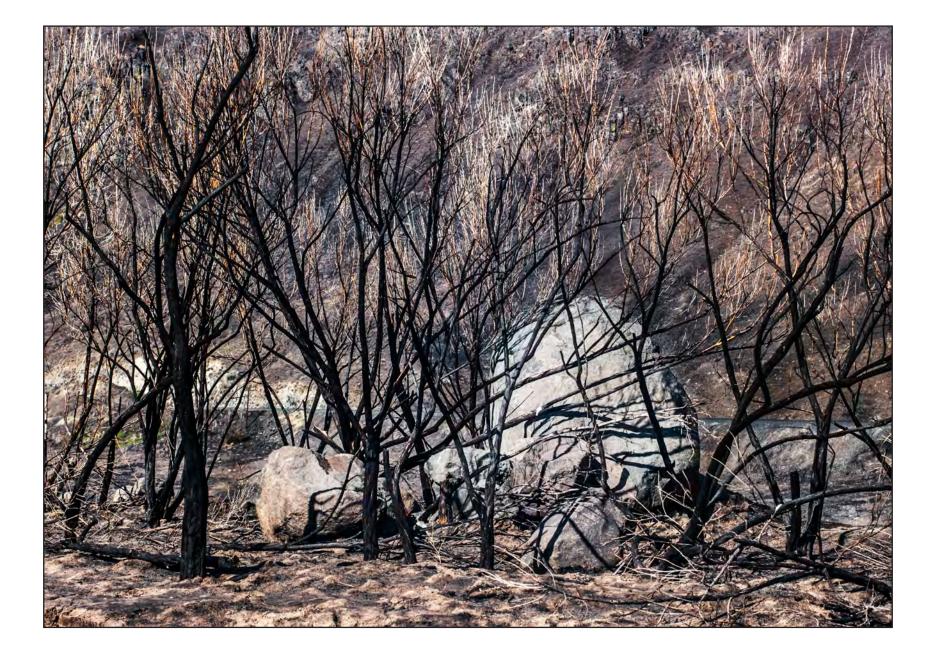














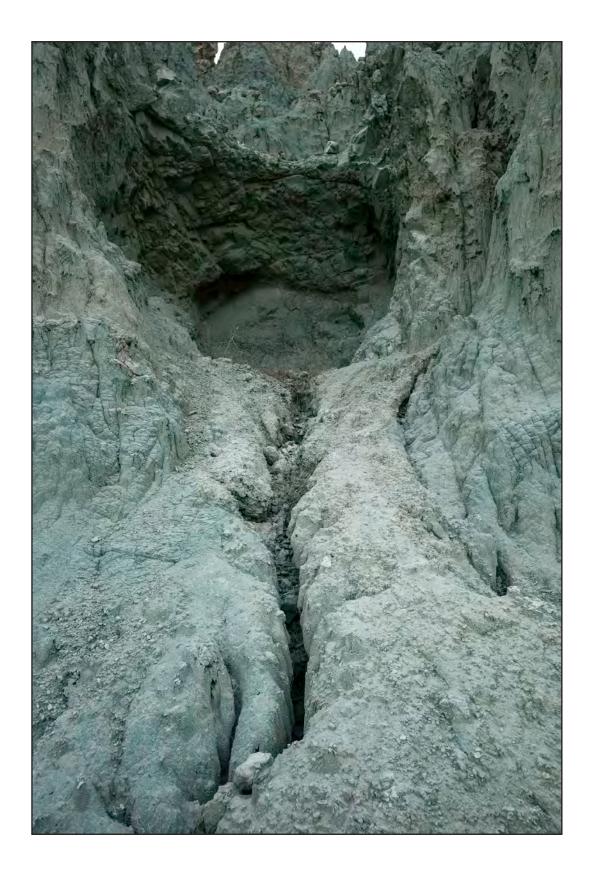


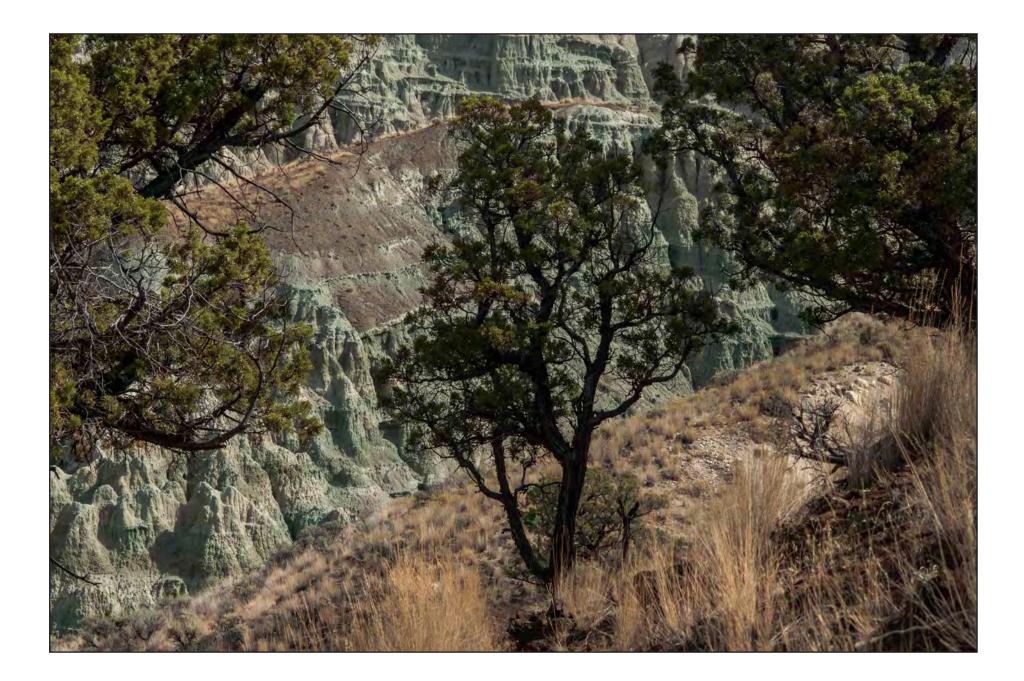




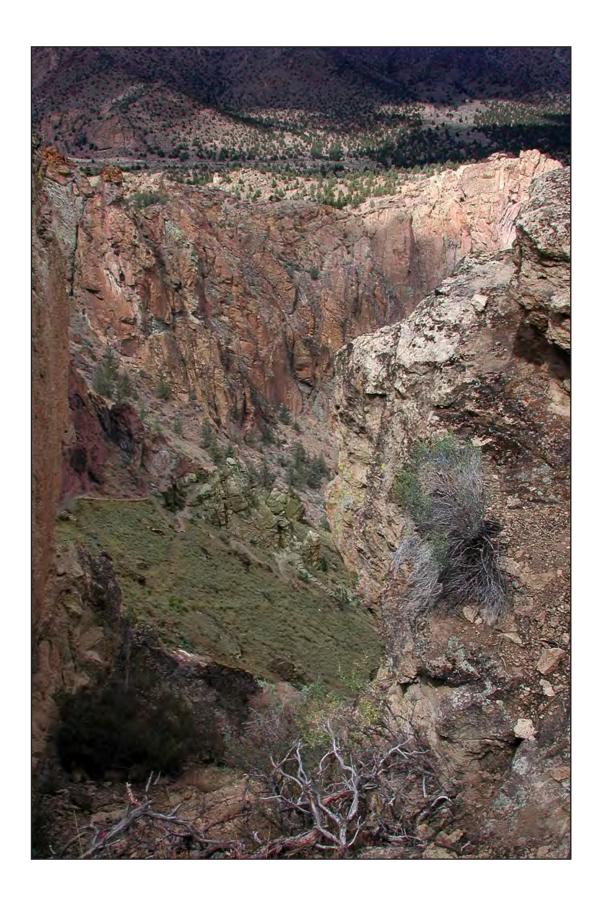














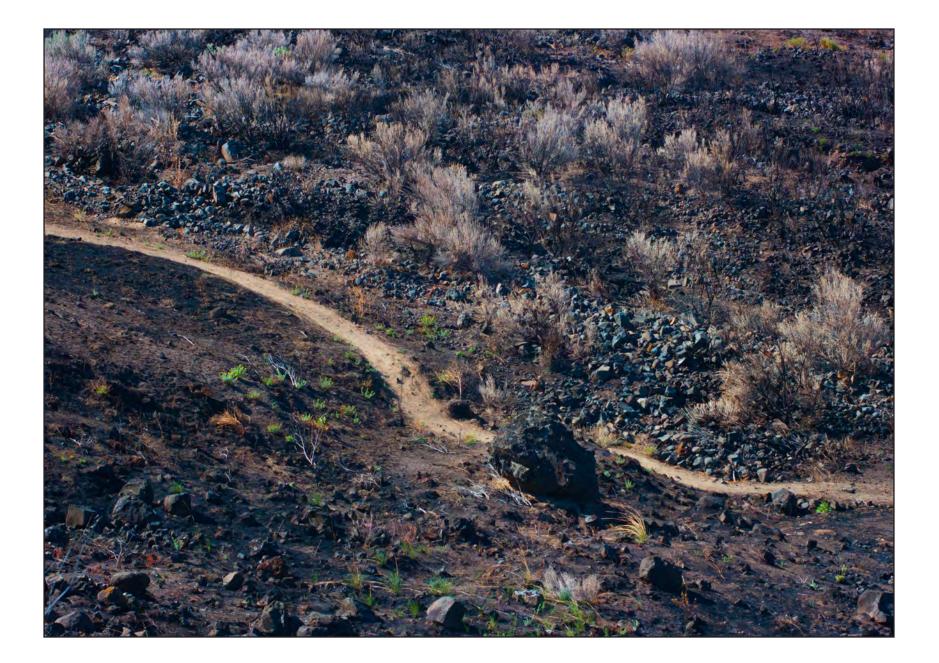




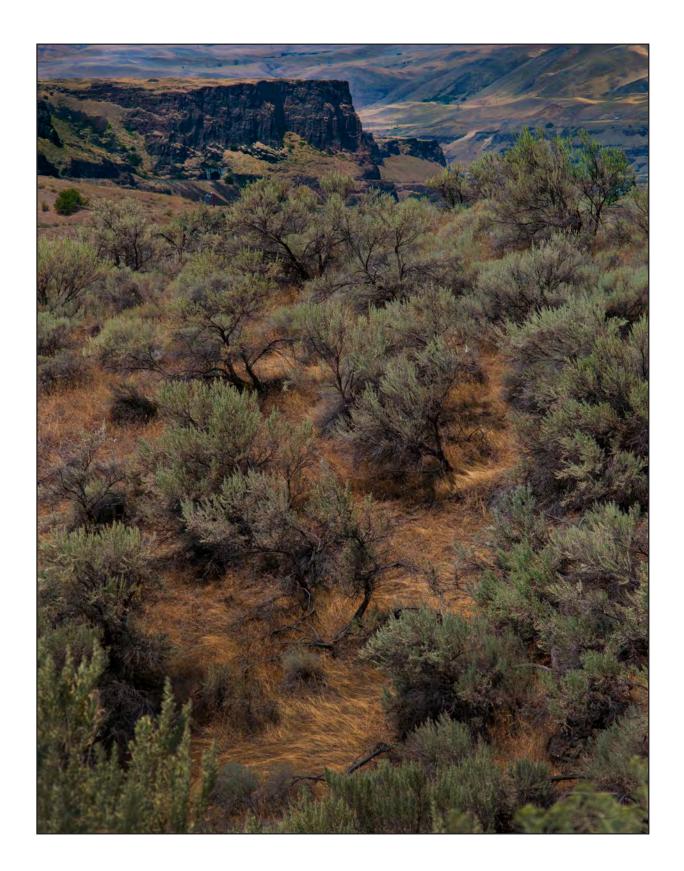




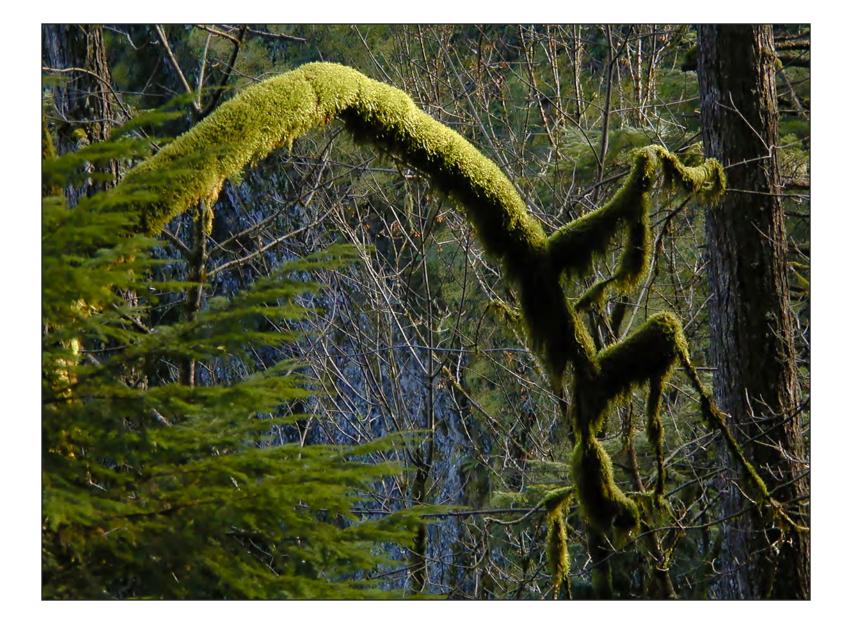




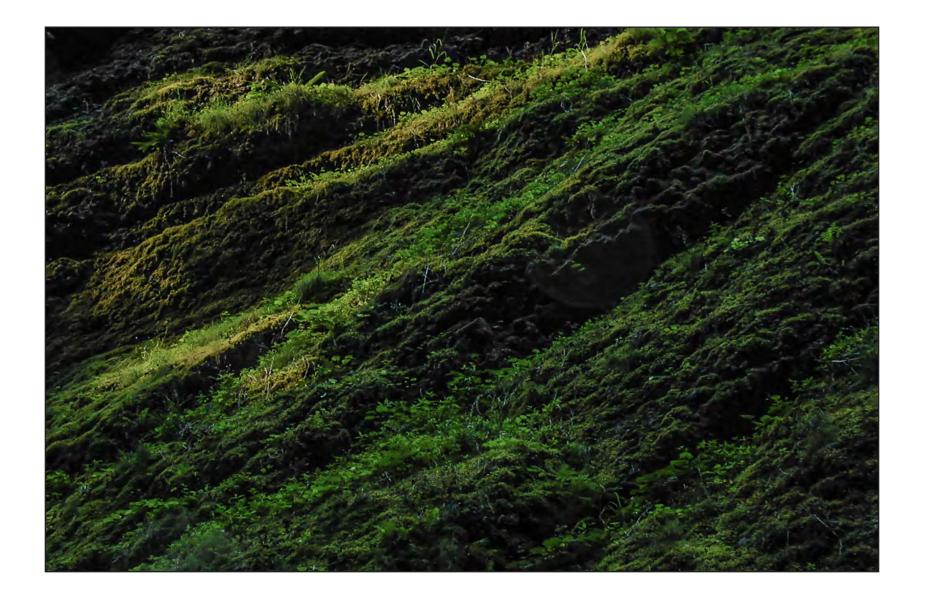












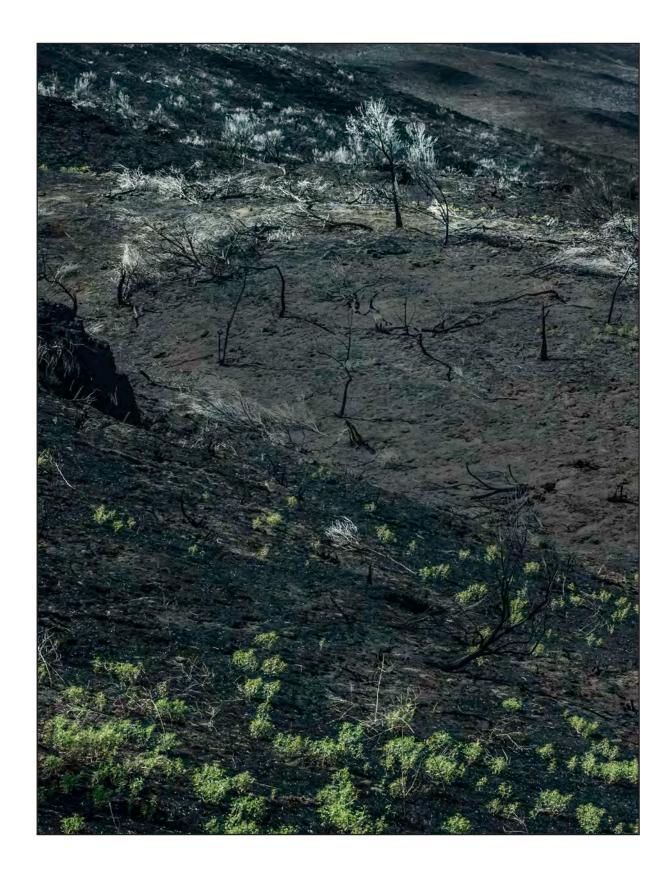


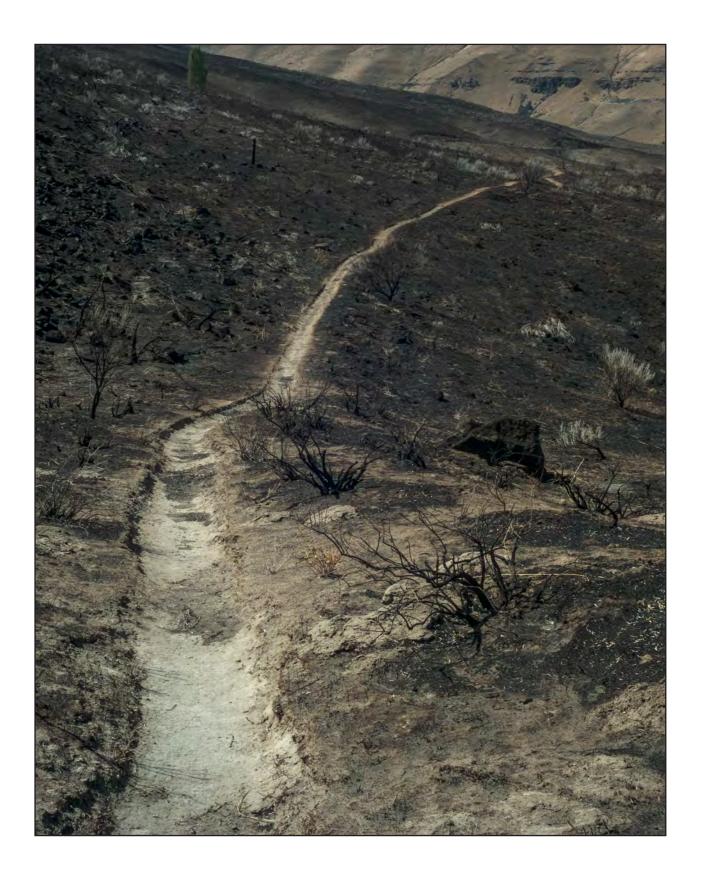




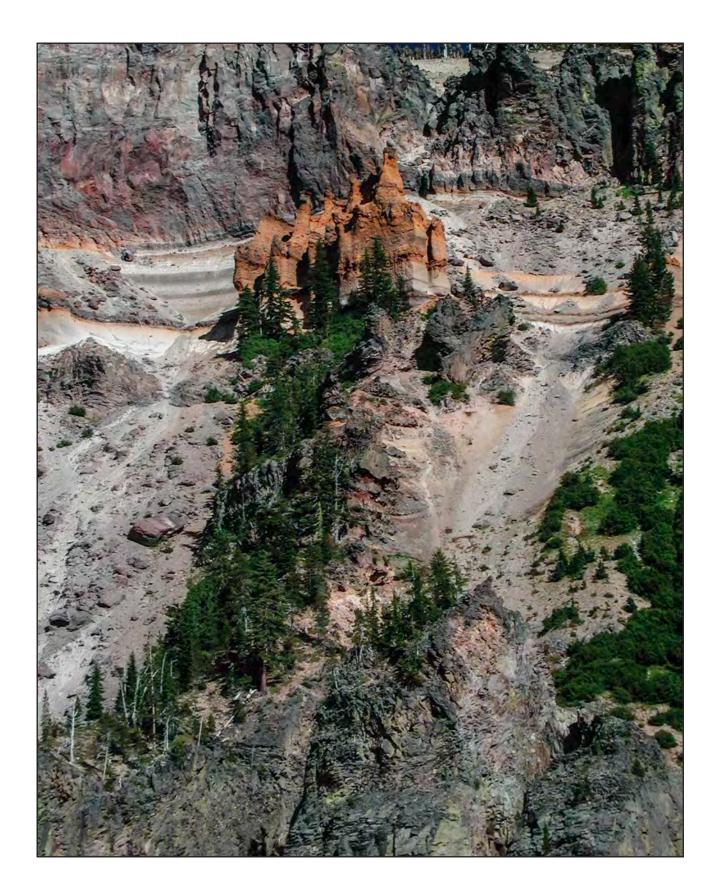












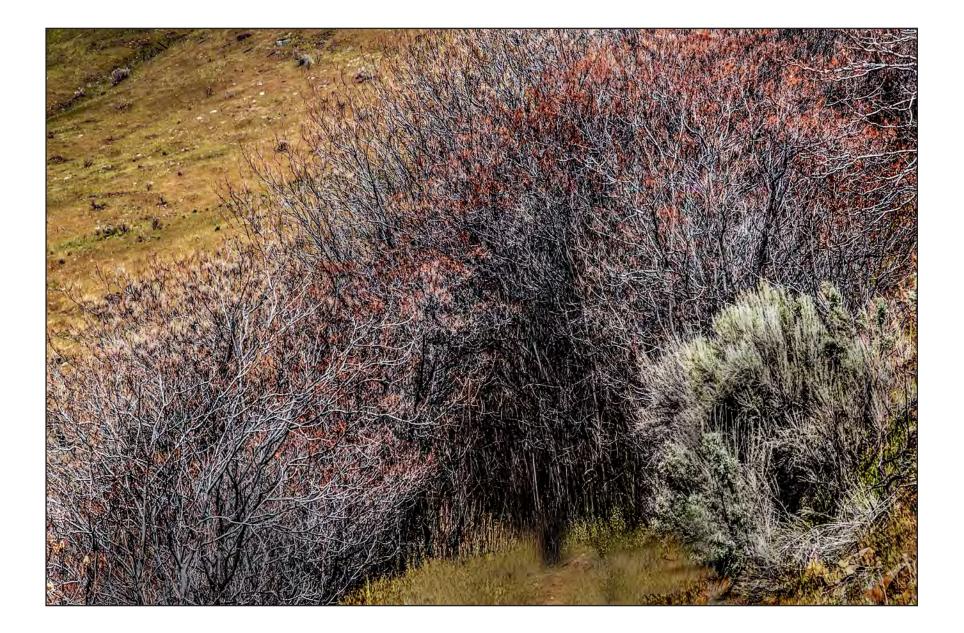


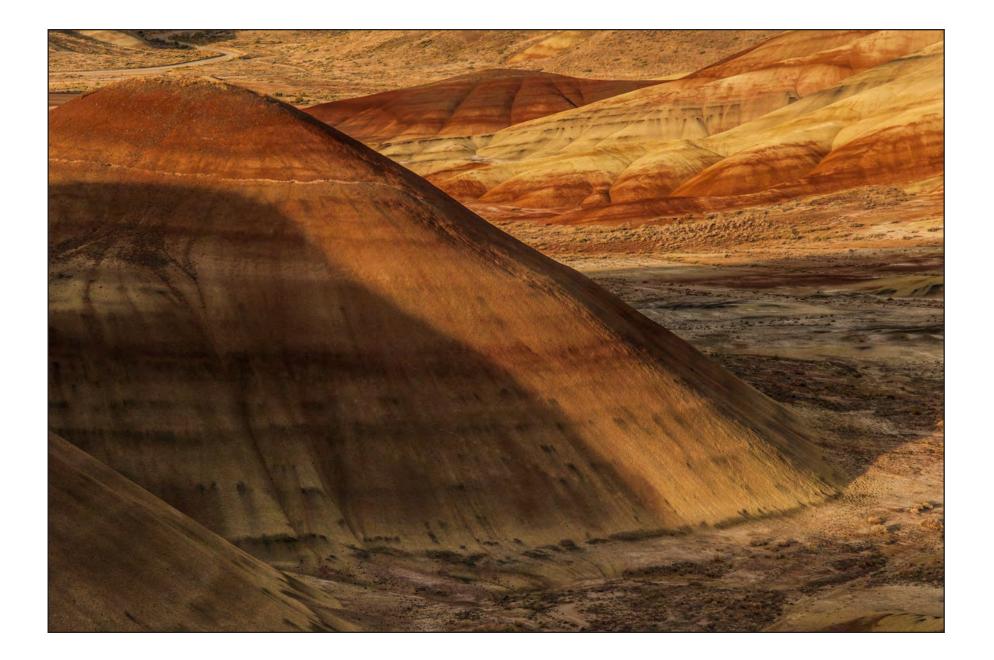


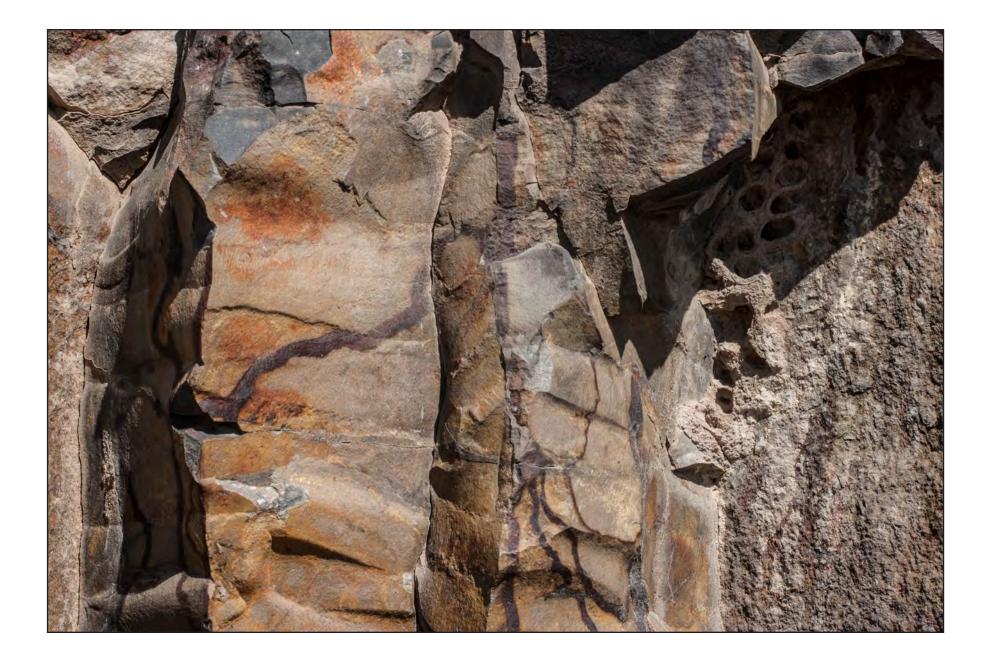


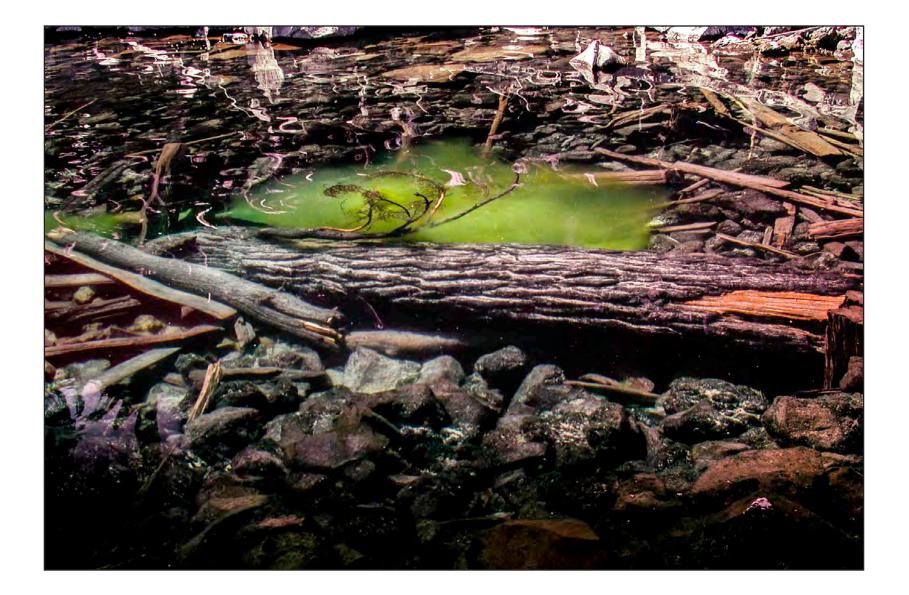






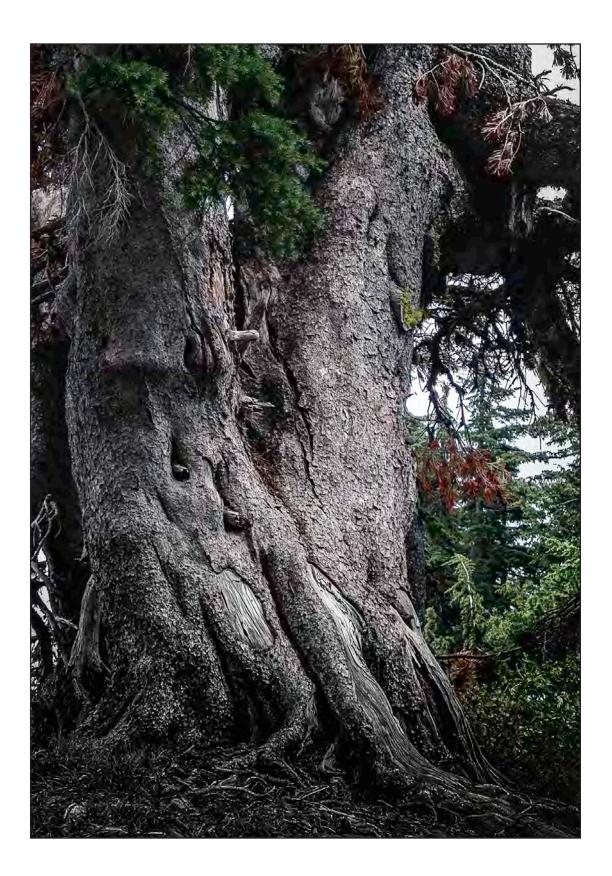










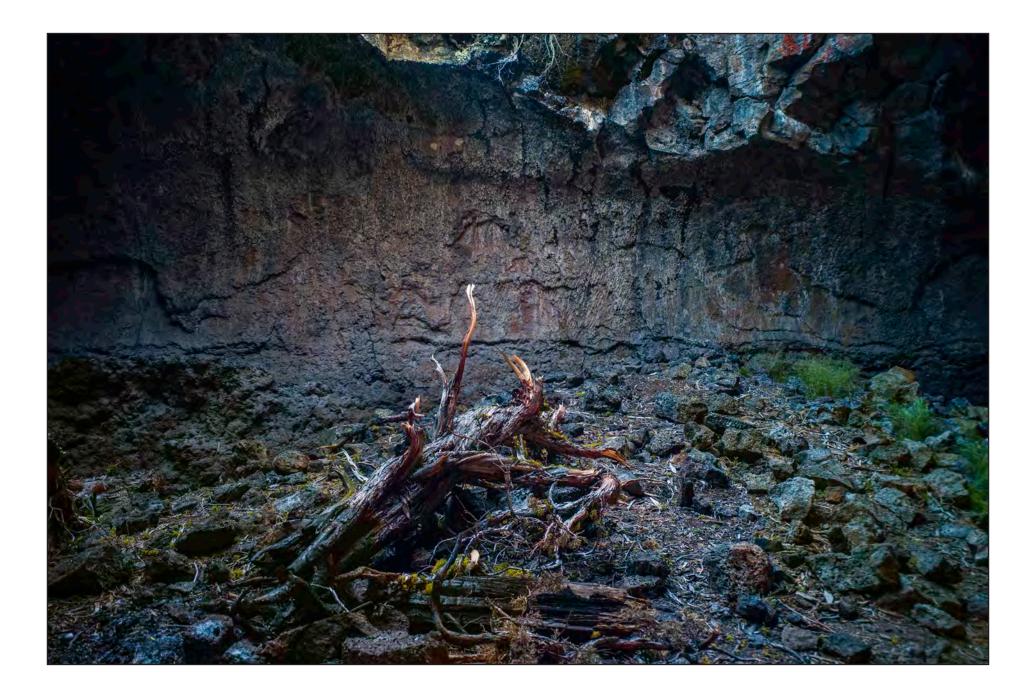


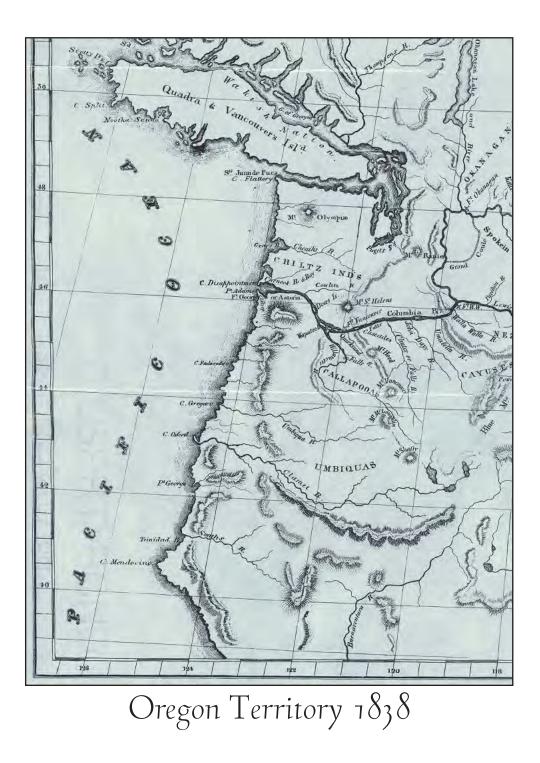
"As are the leaves, so is the race of men; Some the wind scatters on the ground, and some the fruitful forest, when the springtide comes, Puts forth; so note we also with mankind; One comes to life, another falls away."

-Homer

One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.

-King James Bible





Breath is an awakening process among us respirators.

Oregon is an evolving and abiding movement of the earth's mantel.

My love of Oregon and the generative observation of my footprints having tread is an old man's seeing. The earth truly abides beyond my arguments with people; my ethics will evaporate with the last breath of me and the hurt of those ethics not passed on to those near and dear fall in sad ravines; my love of many will pass to some known and some gone from my horizon; the deeds of good & bad and casual indifference will dissipate in a couple of following generations. The microseconds of geography speeds the hours of earth physics for us humans.

Despite the temporal fugit, there is a comfort in seeing the process of now about the past. It is a wisdom that the earth has no politics. One's whiff of fragrance, the crash of water against rock, the erosions of earth by microbe, rodent, and hoof & foot are knowing reminders that despite our fleeting lives roved that we continue to murmur *We Were Here* while the earth truly abides.

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Stern Pro, created by Jim Rimmer & released in 2008

Doves Type, created by Cobden Sanderson with Emery Walker in the late 1899

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-the earth abides, 2015 -the tree, 2016 -humans in exhale, 2017

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