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1. Viveza

- Global adjustments
- Targeted adjustments
 - o Control points allow targeted change in color, contrast, luminosity within area of circle; complex masking under the hood
 - grouping control points
 - anchoring to prevent bleed
 - seeing where the mask affects

2. Color Efex Pro filters

- 1. Pro Contrast Dynamic contrast slider evaluates image to increase contrast without blowing out whites.
- 2. Tonal contrast allows contrast increase in targeted ranges (e.g., highlights, midtones, shadows); can also be used with control points to reduce contrast of background; can lead to overly crunchy image if overdone.
- 3. Detail extractor lightens shadows and extracts detail from shadows; can lead to washed out shadows, so be careful.
- 4. Brilliance/warmth Saturation and warmth obvious; perceptual saturation similar to vibrance, ideally not resulting in oversaturation of colors.
- 5. Darken/lighten center used to focus the viewer's eye on center of interest