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Hello everyone, I've recently returned from traveling in Oaxaca and Chiapas on photo assignments, and Guatemala for some tour planning. *Our upcoming photo tours are filling up quickly – be sure to book early to insure a space!*

I have another new gallery to share – these were taken on my tour in Guatemala this past February – enjoy!

Guatemala February, 2008



To view the gallery, click on one of the images or go to www.jimcline.com/guatemala2008. I'm running this trip again in February, it's a great trip – see below!

Fall of 2008

[Day of the Dead in Oaxaca](#), Oct 28 – Nov 5, 2008

Trip full, waitlist available – Interest List for 2009 available – email me

This trip is a personal favorite. The Day of the Dead celebration is the best time of year to visit Oaxaca. We'll be photographing the parties in several village cemeteries, as well as colorful parades, spectacular colonial architecture, Zapotec pyramids, indigenous markets, traditional dance performances, and the daily life of Oaxaca.

To see a gallery of Jim's images from the 2005 tour [click here](#)

[India: Pushkar & The Taj Mahal](#) with Karl Grobl Oct 31 – Nov 15, 2008

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To see a terrific slide show to music Karl put together from the 2006 tour [click here](#)

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[Chiapas, Mexico: El Mundo Maya](#) November 10 - 19, 2008, with Jim Cline

Only 2 spaces remaining!



I will be leading this trip to my favorite area in Mexico. To see a gallery of my images from there go to www.jimcline.com/chiapas

Winter/Spring of 2009

These trips are already starting to fill up, reserve now to insure a space!

As Recommended in the 2007 Frommer's *Guatemala* guidebook! (pp 56-57)
[Guatemala, the Living Maya](#), January 30 – February 8, 2009



This trip is not to be missed; it's one of the most beautiful areas to photograph (and one of my personal favorites). We'll visit the colonial gem of Antigua, the beautiful Lake Atitlan ringed by traditional villages, the famous Mayan market at Chichicastenango, several less-visited villages outside of Quetzaltenango, and the incredible Mayan ruins at Tikal, with howler monkeys and toucans in the surrounding jungle canopy. I have many friends in the Mayan villages and we will have photo opportunities that other tourists never have.

To view a gallery of Jim's images from the 2007 tour go to
<http://www.jimcline.com/guatemala2007/index.htm>

[Thailand, Cambodia & Laos](#) with Karl Grobl February 4 – 19, 2009 (4 spaces remaining)



From Thailand's beautiful temples, bustling floating markets, and fascinating hill tribes, to the authentic traditional cultures of **Luang Prabang** in Laos, an extended boat trip down the **Mekong River** with an overnight stay along its banks, and the mystical **Angkor Wat** in Cambodia, this trip has it all.

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2007 tour go to
<http://www.karlgrobl.com/videos/SEAsia2007/index.html>

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2008 tours go to [SE Asia 2008 group 1 slideshow](#) & [SE Asia 2008 group 2 slideshow](#)

Baja Gray Whales, March 3 - 9, 2009



We'll spend 3 days whale watching, as well as two days photographing the beautiful desert scenery in Catavina and a day in the quaint town of San Ignacio, home to one of Baja's most beautiful missions. The last few years, almost every trip into the lagoon we've had friendly whales come right up to our boat – the 2008 trip was the best ever!

To see images of this trip go to www.jimcline.com/whales
or www.jimcline.com/catavina

To see a gallery from the 2007 trip go to www.jimcline.com/whales2007

**Vietnam Explorer with Karl Grobl
March 3 - 17, 2009 – Interest List Forming**



Information Coming Soon!

Wonders of Baja, April 30 – May 9, 2009



It doesn't get much better than this! Southern Baja - Seascapes and beautiful beaches on the turquoise **Sea of Cortez**; boat trips to the nearby islands to photograph sea lion colonies, birds, and desert scenes, missions, the picturesque towns of **La Paz, Mulege, Loreto, and Todos Santos**; and excellent seafood and margaritas. I've added one extra day to this trip to allow more time in each location, and some time for image-sharing and instruction. To see images from the April, 2007 trip go to www.jimcline.com/baja2007

[Peru, Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley of the Inca](#)

May 6 – 16, 2009 with Karl Grobl – Trip full

May 20 – 30, 2009 with Karl Grobl – Space remaining



To see Karl's new slide show video of the recent 2008 tour go to <http://karlgrobl.com/Peru2008/index2.html>

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2007 tour go to [Peru 2007 Photo Tour Slideshow](#)

[Ensenada / Tecate 3 Days](#)

September 13 - 15, 2008 – Trip full

January 17 – 19, 2009 – Space available

There are a great variety of photographic subjects on this trip for just 3 days – the colorful fish market, sea-lions, mariachis, seascapes, vendors and their products, local people, the beautiful Riviera Cultural Center - formerly a casino owned by boxer Jack Dempsey and financed by Al Capone, a boat trip in the morning light in the working harbor, wineries with wine-tasting, the Old Russian Cemetery, and finally the tranquil town of Tecate with its typical Mexican plaza.

To see a new image gallery from my recent trip go to www.jimcline.com/ensenadajan08

To see images from the September, 2007 trip go to www.jimcline.com/ensenadasep07

"Hi Jim, I had a wonderful time on the trip to Ensenada/Tecate. It was beyond my expectations in several ways – more learning, more different kinds of settings to photograph, and more of an opportunity to experience northern Baja culture than I could have imagined for a weekend trip. I appreciated your knowledge of the area and the people, and the atmosphere of learning and creativity that you encouraged in the group. I will definitely sign up for a future excursion, and I

would recommend your trips to anyone who loves photography and travel," Bette Jo Garrett, San Diego, CA

To read more testimonials from the Sep, 2006 Ensenada trip click on

<http://www.jimcline.com/Testimonials%20Ensenada%20Sep2006.pdf>

To read testimonials from the January, 2006 trip click on

<http://www.jimcline.com/Testimonials%20EnsJan06.pdf>

Trip leader Karl Grobl

Karl just back from Ghana where he documented a Freedom From Hunger's new "Health Keeper" project http://www.freedomfromhunger.org/landing/uncommon_sense_0808.php?origin=hpban1.

September will find Karl in Cambodia and Vietnam, continuing on a story about child labor and child trafficking in the slums of Phnom Pehn

<http://karlgrobl.com/Photojournalism/Stung%20Meanchey/page1.htm>, as well as documenting the microfinance programs of World Vision <http://karlgrobl.com/videos/CambodiaVisionFund/>, before heading up to Yangon to lead the Amazing Myanmar 2008 Photo Tour.

In addition to his photo assignments, Karl has been evaluating camera straps and travel clothing,

as a consultant for Kuhl <http://karlgrobl.com/EquipmentReviews/KuhlJeansUpdate.htm>, Wapiti

Straps <http://www.wapitistraps.com/>, Upstrap <http://www.upstrap-pro.com/> and BlackRapid

<http://www.blackrapid.com/> and Think Tank

<http://karlgrobl.com/EquipmentReviews/ThinkTankBeltSystem.htm>

Karl has also been collaborating with SunNight Solar, photographing their amazing solar recharge-able flashlight in action. <http://sunnightsolar.com/> Karl is committed to help Mark Bent, the inventor of the BoGo Light, get lights to children in developing countries so that they can more easily study and do their homework.

Karl's award winning images of Education Development Center's EQuALLS, program in Mindanao, Philippines <http://main.edc.org/newsroom/features/equalls.asp> were featured in an article entitled "Educating Children in a Conflict Zone"

<http://main.edc.org/newsroom/features/equalls.asp> The photos were originally featured on the cover of the EDC Update Spring 2007, where Karl is prominently mentioned on page3 <http://main.edc.org/newsroom/update/6-07.pdf> by EDC President, Luther S. Luedtke.

Beyond his work with NGOs Karl finds time to scout new locations for Jim Cline Photo Tours, where he is planning a Vietnam trip for 2009 and thinking about adding Nepal or an all Cambodia tour for 2010.

In case you missed them, here are Karl's slide show videos from his *Peru: Machu Picchu* tour in May: <http://karlgrobl.com/Peru2008/index2.html> and his two *Thailand, Laos & Cambodia* tours in

Feb/March: [SE Asia 2008 group 1 slideshow](#) & [SE Asia 2008 group 2 slideshow](#)

To see more of Karl's work go to www.KarlGrobl.com

Upcoming Workshop

I will be one of the instructors at the 2008 Weekend Workshop put on by the Sierra Club Photo Section of San Diego, on Oct 11 – 12, 2008 at the Foster Lodge in the Laguna Mountains. I will be presenting one or two 1 hour 15 min. workshops on the *Secrets of Successful Travel Photography*. For information go to www.jimcline.com/lodge2008.pdf

More Photo Tours

[Amazing Myanmar \(Burma\)](#)

September, 2009, with Karl Grobl – Interest List forming – email me if you would like to be added.

Join Humanitarian Photojournalist Karl Grobl and discover the Golden Land, perhaps the least discovered country in Southeast Asia. This journey includes visits to Yangon's Schwedegon Pagoda, the ancient city of Bagan where the landscape is dotted with more than one thousand temples, Inle Lake where we will photograph local fishermen, bustling local markets and lakeside life seemingly unchanged for centuries.

Colonial Mexico: Land of the Aztecs

If there is enough interest I'll run this trip again in Feb, 2010. Let me know if you'd like to be added to the Interest List. To view my gallery of images from the 2007 tour go to www.jimcline.com/colonialmex07

Baja Traveler!

My photographs are featured in the 2008 Edition of Baja Traveler magazine – many were taken on my *Wonders of Baja* and *Ensenada/Tecate* tours. To view some of the photos click on <http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetBajaTraveler08.htm>

Now the entire magazine is online at <http://www.bajamagazine.com/ezine/2008/baja08.html> It is really cool – you can use the zoom tool to see any of the pages up close.

Other Recent Image Galleries

Chiapas November 2007

I've created a gallery of my images from my trip last November to Chiapas, the most beautiful state in Mexico. These were taken during several days there at some of the locations we'll visit on my upcoming tour in November. To view the gallery, click on the image above or go to www.jimcline.com/chiapasnov2007

Ensenada January, 2008

I've created a gallery of my images from my photo tour / workshop to Ensenada & Tecate this past January. To view the gallery click on the images above or go to www.jimcline.com/ensenadajan08

Testimonials!

Karl and I are very proud of the testimonials we've received – I hope you'll take a look at what some of our participants have had to say about our tours. I still have a lot more to add to the list: <http://www.jimcline.com/PhotoTours/testimonials1.html>

Photography Book – *Tresors de la Terre, Joyaux de l'Humanity (Treasures of the Earth, Jewels of Humanity)*

Some of my photographs of Machu Picchu in Peru and Teotihuacan in Mexico are featured in this beautiful coffee table book published by Selection du Readers Digest from France. I'm one of many photographers represented from around the globe, including Frans Lanting, Art Wolf, David Muench, Norbert Wu, Jim Zuckerman, MacDuff Everton, and Tim Fitzharris. <http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetTresorsdeLaTerre08.htm>

Chickenbus.org !

One of our Guatemala participants, Steve Philips created a website from our tour there in February. Many of the group members terrific photos are in the gallery section - check it out at www.ChickenBus.org

That trip is being offered again in 2009 (see above)!

Mexico Traveler

My photographs are featured in the Premiere Collector's Edition of Mexico Traveler magazine – many were taken on my *Colonial Mexico* and *Yucatan* tours. To view some of the photos click on <http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetMexicoTraveler08.htm>

Now the entire magazine is online at <http://www.mexmagazine.com/ezine/mxtrvlr.html> It is really cool – you can use the zoom tool to see any of the pages up close.

Moon Handbooks Baja

Several of my photographs are featured in the 2008 edition of the Moon Handbooks Baja guidebook (the best guidebook covering Baja). To see some of the photos go to <http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetMoonBaja07.htm>. Also, in the book my photo tours are recommended by the authors.

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