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Greetings everyone!

I am off to Guatemala to lead my tour there to explore the Mayan World. Meanwhile Karl has just arrived in Cambodia with his group on our Thailand, Laos & Cambodia trip. He has blogged some images from that trip at www.karlgrobl.com/blog

I have recently completed a gallery of images from my tour to Peru & Machu Picchu this past May. There are still a few spaces on that trip for this year (see below). To see the gallery go to www.jimcline.com/peru2011 or click on the images below:



Lucy Peru 2011



The Sacred Valley of the Incas

To see the testimonials from the recent 2011 trip [click here](#).

[Mexico's Copper Canyon](#) Trip Released!

Ralph Velasco will be leading a trip to Mexico's Copper Canyon Oct 12 – 21 of this year. This promises to be a terrific trip on one of the World's great train rides, with great scenery and the fascinating Tarahumara Indians. See the information below!

Karl Grobl Video – *Come Along for the Ride!*

Karl has produced his first *Come Along for the Ride* video, and it is terrific on many levels. It is both informative and inspiring, so [check it out here](#).

He has been busy adding many terrific blogs to his site – check them out at www.karlgrobl.com/blog

Tours – Winter / Early Spring of 2012

As Recommended in the 2009 Frommer's *Central America* guidebook (p 177)

[Guatemala, the Living Maya](#), with Jim Cline February 3 – 13, 2012

Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List forming)

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, and several less-visited villages outside of Quetzaltenango, 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>

[Amazing Myanmar \(Burma\)](#), Feb 14 – 28, with Karl Grobl

Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List forming)

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.

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2008 tour go to www.karlgrobl.com/Burma2008/index.html

To see testimonials from Karl's recent 2009 tour [click here](#)

[Vietnam Explorer](#) with Karl Grobl, March 20 – April 3, 2012

Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List forming)

Vietnam is truly one of the few "authentic" destinations left in this modern ever-homogenizing world. With its amazing diversity and rich cultural history, Vietnam offers the adventurous traveler a unique opportunity to experience and photograph an exciting mix of landscapes, people, places, philosophies, cuisines, crafts, and religions.

Tours & Workshops Late Spring / Summer of 2012

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

May 2 – 12, 2012 with Jim Cline – *One space available*

May 16 – 26, 2012 with Jim Cline – *4 spaces available*

The first trip booked up so early, I've added a second trip. May is the best time to visit the highlands of Peru.



Peru is truly an amazing photography destination with colonial cities and mystical Inca ruins situated high in the Andes, with friendly people in their colorful markets with traditional clothing. I know this area very well and have many friends to photograph, as I've been there 12 times in the past 8 years!

To see the testimonials from the recent 2011 trip [click here](#).

To see images from this trip go to <http://www.jimcline.com/perumay2006/index.htm> or <http://www.jimcline.com/peru04/index.htm>

[Philippines](#) June 16 – 29, 2012 with Karl Grobl ***Spaces available***



Karl discovered wonderful scenic areas with beautiful rice paddies, old Spanish colonial cities, picturesque beaches, and the wonderful photo-friendly people. Additionally, he uncovered some wonderful photo opportunities in the bustling Philippines capital, Manila.

To see the video Karl produced from this past year's tour go to <http://www.jimclinephotoworkshops.com/2010/01/philippines-photo-tour> and click on "Multimedia".

To see a beautiful book produced by participant Ruti Alon, which contains images from all of the participants, go to <http://www.blurb.com/books/2435827>.

To see some great testimonials from the 2011 tour go to <http://www.jimclinephotoworkshops.com/philippines-testimonials>

Angkor Photo Workshop July 16 – 30, 2012 with Karl Grobl, Matt Brandon, Gavin Gough & Marco Ryan
Spaces Available



The hybrid "Workshop / photo tour" is a combination of a workshop and photo tour experience, aimed at those of you who want more of an intensive classroom type experience, in a setting that allows for fantastic photo opportunities. This past year's workshop was a big success, and the instructors are excited to run it again in 2012!

To see testimonials from the 2011 workshop [click here](#).

To see a write-up in an online travel magazine on this workshop [click here](#).

Tours – Fall of 2011

Amazing Myanmar (Burma), Sep 11 – 25, 2012, with Karl Grobl
Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List Forming)

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Mexico's Copper Canyon Just Released! Oct 12 – 21, 2012 with Ralph Velasco
Spaces available



Ralph Velasco will be leading a trip to Mexico's magical Copper Canyon. The Copper Canyon train is considered one of the great train rides of the world. Ride the train as it winds from the Pacific Coast to the Copper Canyon, located in the Sierra Madre Mountains, passing over 37 bridges and 86 tunnels along the way! We'll explore and photograph the areas around the rim of the canyon in the towns of Creel and Divisadero, and photograph the famous Tarahumara Indians who inhabit the area, and document their way of life. We'll also journey down inside the Canyon to the charming town of Batopilas located 6,000 feet below the rim of the canyon on the Batopilas River. We'll have the opportunity to explore the area at the Bottom of the canyon as well!

Trip Leader Ralph Velasco!

Ralph is an excellent photographer, has extensive teaching experience, and speaks fluent Spanish. For information on Ralph go to <http://www.jimclinephotoworkshops.com/tours/mexicos-copper-canyon> For more information on Ralph go to www.RalphVelasco.com (Be sure to read his testimonials).

Bhutan & Nepal, Oct 22 – Nov 4, 2012, with Karl Grobl

Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List Forming)

The Kingdom of Bhutan, the "Land of the Thunder Dragon", remains one of the last places on earth where you can experience true Himalayan culture, seemingly unchanged for centuries. Nepal is a land of yaks and yetis, stupas and Sherpas and the home of 3 great mini-kingdoms of the Kathmandu Valley. The tour has been timed to coincide with a prime festival season in Bhutan.

Day of the Dead in Oaxaca, Oct 28 – Nov 5, 2012, with Jim Cline

Only one space available!



This trip is a personal favorite – this will be my 14th straight year photographing in Oaxaca during the Day of the Dead celebrations!!! Many other companies have now jumped on the bandwagon, bringing large groups, but I have a more intimate knowledge of this amazing celebration, and now how to find the action and chase the light there like no one else – and I keep my group size small. 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 2011 tour go to www.jimcline.com/oaxaca11

To see testimonials from this trip [click here](#) .
We have had several people attend this trip, who liked it so much they came back on it again another year.

Chiapas, Mexico: The Mayan World November 10 – 19, 2012, with Jim Cline
Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List Forming)

I will be leading this trip again to my favorite area in Mexico. We'll photograph Mayan pyramids, the current day descendents of the Mayans with their weaving traditions, turquoise rivers and wildlife (hopefully crocodiles), waterfalls, and the beautiful colonial city of San Cristobal de las Casas. To see a gallery of my images from there go to www.jimcline.com/chiapas
To see a gallery of images from the 2008 tour go to www.jimcline.com/chiapasnov08

India: Pushkar & Rajasthan November 14 – 28, 2012, with Karl Grobl
Trip full, waitlist available (2013 Interest List Forming)

This is a trip of a lifetime to one of the most photo friendly locations on earth – one not to be missed!

To see Karl's terrific slide show video of the 2008 tour go to
www.karlgrobl.com/India2008/index.html

Facebook

We now have a Jim Cline Photo Tours Facebook Group Page – check it out! [Our Facebook Group Page](#)

We're in Rough Guides!

We are already listed in ***Moon Handbooks*** and ***Frommer's guidebooks***. Now we have been written up in ***Rough Guides*** as well!

[See our write-up here](#)

Freedom From Hunger

As you probably know, Karl works extensively on photo assignments for humanitarian organizations such as ***Freedom From Hunger***, and I do occasionally. These experiences are tremendously fulfilling, [Freedom From Hunger](#) and everyone who works for them are truly inspiring – our images are featured in their 2012 calendar – to view the calendar [click here](#)
Also in an excellent article about a couple of their hard-working educators – to view [click here](#)

More Published Work

I have created a webpage with links to some of my published work (and a couple of articles about me): www.jimcline.com/Tearsheets.htm

I'm about 2 years behind, I'll try to update it soon!

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>

To see a partial list of our testimonials from 2008 go to
<http://www.jimcline.com/Testimonials%202008.pdf>

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