

E-MAIL NEWSLETTER Sep 13, 2011

Hello everyone! I'm back from Guatemala and working on so many projects for our tours and workshops. Our trips are booking up faster than ever, so you'll need to book soon for late this year and next year! There are still spaces remaining on my Day of the Dead in Oaxaca trip! It is really

an incredible opportunity to be there to experience and photograph these magnificent and moving celebrations of life. This will be my 13th straight year in Oaxaca for the Day of the Dead, so I know it very well.....I can't wait to go back!



Here are a couple of my images from last year's trip:

Dances of the Dead



Last Light at Monte Alban



Woman at grave, midnight Xoxocotlan

Tour Participant News

Congratulations to **Nelda Costner** (*Day of the Dead in Oaxaca 2009 & Cuba 2011*) whose award-winning image taken on our 2009 Day of the Dead trip is being used for the front cover of the reception invite for a Day of the Dead exhibit at the Folk Tree in Pasadena, CA. *"Jim, thanks is not enough, Nelda"*

Congratulations to **Gini Pringle** (*Guatemala 2009 & Cuba 2011*). She had 4 images accepted in a gallery show in Denver and I have 6 in a show in SLC that opens this weekend. *"I have been very lucky with my Cuba work. I just was juried into a show at the Center for Fine Art Photography*

in Colorado. I also have 6 images in a collective show in Salt lake city. I appreciate you directly for giving me the opportunity to stretch my vision. Gini"

Sheila Gardner (India 2009, Cuba 2011) has more good news to report: *"Hi Jim, Some good news. Two of my Cuba photos are now in PPA's 2011 permanent Loan Collection and one in their Showcase Collection. The Loan and Showcase books can be purchased from PPA and if anyone is going to "Imaging USA" next January, they will be on display there. Thanks again for the opportunity and hope to join you on another trip. Sheila."*

Upcoming Photography Seminar!

I will be giving a 3-hour Travel Photography seminar on **Saturday, October 22 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.** at **Calumet Photo** in Escondido, CA. Space is very limited – only 20 people can attend, and the price is only \$45. This always fills up, so you will need to sign up early to reserve a space.

For all the info click here. It will be informative and fun!

Tours – Fall of 2011

Day of the Dead in Oaxaca, Oct 28 – Nov 5, 2011, with Jim Cline 4 spaces available!



This trip is a personal favorite – this will be my 13th 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 2007 tour go to <u>www.jimcline.com/oaxaca07</u> To see testimonials from this trips <u>click here</u>.

This trip fills up every year, so you will need to book a space soon. We have had several people attend this trip, who liked it so much they came back on it again another year.

<u>India: Pushkar & Rajasthan</u> October 27 – November 10, 2011, with Karl Grobl Trip full, waitlist available (2012 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

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Trip leader Karl Grobl

Karl was just home from a photo assignment in Haiti, and now he's back on the road in Sri Lanka on a photo assignment, before leading both our Myanmar tour, and then the India Pushkar Fair tour. Interest Lists are forming for both of these trips for 2012.

One of Karl's photos was used for a new postage stamp in the Philippines! They chose his scenic shot of a rice field and a line of palm trees (shot for CARD Bank, an affiliate of Freedom From Hunger) as the background image in the stamp.

To see the video Karl produced from his recent Philippines tour go to <u>http://www.jimclinephotoworkshops.com/2010/01/philippines-photo-tour</u> and click on "Multimedia".

To see Karl's fantastic blogs go to www.karlgrobl.com/blog

Tours – Winter/Spring of 2012

Thailand, Laos & Cambodia with Karl Grobl, February, 2012

Trip full, waitlist available

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 2009 tour go to http://www.karlgrobl.com/SoutheastAsia2009/index.html

Testimonial from Feb 2011 Thailand, Laos & Cambodia trip:

"I have been on several organized photo tours and workshops – this was by far the best experience I have had in terms of flow of activities, shooting time balanced with "tour" stuff, attention from/time with/assistance and overall organization of the trip. Karl's passion for photography and interaction with the local people – many of whom he clearly knows from his work there and from prior trips. I feel very fortunate to have had this experience and look forward to future trips with Jim and Karl." Lisa Brockman, San Diego, CA

As Recommended in the 2009 Frommer's <u>Central America</u> guidebook (p 177) <u>Guatemala, the Living Maya</u>, February 3 – 13, 2012 Only one space remaining!





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 (Sep 2012 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 <u>www.karlgrobl.com/Burma2008/index.html</u> To see testimonials from Karl's recent 2009 tour <u>click here</u>

<u>Vietnam Explorer</u> with Karl Grobl, March 20 – April 3, 2012 Trip full, waitlist available

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.

Peru, Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley of the Incas

May 2 – 12, 2012 with Jim Cline – Only 2 spaces available! May 16 – 26, 2012 with Jim Cline –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 <u>click here</u>. To see images from this trip go to <u>http://www.jimcline.com/perumay2006/index.htm</u> or

http://www.jimcline.com/peru04/index.htm

Tours & Workshops Summer of 2012

<u>Philippines</u> 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 <u>http://www.jimclinephotoworkshops.com/2010/01/philippines-photo-tour</u> 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.

<u>Angkor Photo Workshop</u> 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 .

Facebook

We now have a Jim Cline Photo Tours Facebook Group Page – check it out! <u>Our Facebook</u> <u>Group Page</u>

Later in 2012:

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Nepal & Bhutan October 2012, with Karl Grobl Information Soon – Interest List Available

Chiapas, Mexico: El Mundo Maya November 2012, with Jim Cline Information Soon – Interest List Available

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 <u>www.jimcline.com/chiapas</u>

To see a gallery of images from the 2008 tour go to www.jimcline.com/chiapasnov08

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There was recently a write-up on our tours, and specifically Karl's upcoming *Angkor Photo Workshop* in the latest edition of the online magazine, *Argophilia Travel News* Here's the story, check it out! : <u>http://www.argophilia.com/news/angkor-photo-workshop/22623</u> *"The Sum of All Coolness"*, you gotta love it !!! Since this article went up, I've found it on various other travel websites as well!

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: <u>http://www.jimcline.com/PhotoTours/testimonials1.html</u> To see a partial list of our testimonials from 2008 go to <u>http://www.jimcline.com/Testimonials%202008.pdf</u>

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