

News, Travel & Events

DPG Expedition to Guadalupe

Sept 7 - 11th 2013



Join DivePhotoGuide publisher Matt Weiss and professional underwater photographer, Keri Wilk, for a special DPG Expedition to photograph the Great White sharks in the clear blue waters of Guadalupe Island.

Like all DPG expeditions, this shark adventure will be laid back, enjoyable and designed to help you progress your photography and video skills by immersing you in productive destinations among other underwater photographers.

Keri Wilk and Matt Weiss will be providing mini-workshops on shooting wide angle, blue

water photography, as well as post-production in Lightroom and Photoshop. We will also have informal nightly image reviews so you have the opportunity for one-on-one feedback.

Two 4-person surface cages, rotated every hour makes for generous time in cages for all. Stay aboard the Solmar V, one of the only liveaboards to offer a 30ft submersible cage. The surface cages are not limited to certified divers, so friend and family can join this exciting experience

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July 18 - 23 2013
& July 23 - 28 2013

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Photography Adventures

Focus Underwater, Grand Cayman 24 - 31st Aug 2013



Join us for world class diving on the North wall & Northwest Point, where sheer walls and hundreds of dive sites await you including the world famous Kittiwake wreck!

The fall offers laid back diving and you'll get a chance to test out the latest in underwater housings, strobes and cameras from Reef Photo & Video and Nauticam.

Dive with Ryan Canon, Chris Parsons, Curt Bowen, Paul Barnett from Light & Motion and Adam Hanlon from Wetpixel. Learn about new products and technologies, or test out a Semi or fully Closed Circuit Rebreather!

This event is open to recreational and technical OC and CCR divers,

with profiles for everyone from shallow reefs to sheer deep walls & wrecks. New photo buffs and experienced shooters are all welcome!

Dive with Rebreather manufacturers and Photo Pros!. Unlimited shore diving at Cobalt Coast & Lighthouse Point. Stingray City dive. Exploration dive. Fluorescence night dive. Underwater Poker rally for great prizes!. CCR Pool Dives! Test dive the latest in Rebreather Technology. Unlimited Nitrox included for OC divers. Unlimited Scrubber & Gases for CCR divers. All tanks included for OC and CCR divers. Profiles for recreational to technical dives.

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DiveQuest

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The Cayman Photoquest with Martin Edge 5-15th May 2012

Bali: The Art of Underwater Photography with Shannon Conway 21 November - 1st December 2012

Sharks & Dolphins of The Bahamas with Charles Hood 19 - 26 April 2013

Galapagos: The Art of Underwater Photography with Shannon Conway 11-24th June 2013

Ultimate Papua New Guinea with Michele Westmorland 19-30th October 2013

Truk: The Art of Underwater Photography with Shannon Conway 4-11th May 2014



**The Best of Both Worlds:
Bunaken & Lembeh with
Martin Heyn**
May 20-June 1, 2013

Travel with Martin Heyn from Optical Ocean Sales on an all-inclusive photo expedition to dive the heart of the “Coral Triangle” of North Sulawesi, which contains more marine species than any other area on the planet!

Begin with 4 days of 3-4 tank dives photographing the incredible reefs and vistas of Bunaken National Park. This region is home to over 390 species of coral and a myriad of tropical fish. Its beautiful walls are teeming with life! Bunaken is simply one of the best places to hone your wide-angle photography skills.

Then on to what is considered by many the “greatest macro diving in the world!” Lembeh Straits. Enjoy at least 3 dives a day with the small and bizarre creatures that make Lembeh’s black sands their home. Residents include; pygmy seahorses, flamboyant cuttlefish, psychedelic mandarin fish, walking sharks, plus just about every type of frogfish, octopus, squid and nudibranch imaginable! The number of incredible creatures to photograph can be overwhelming.



There will be daily seminars ranging from “Buoyancy for Photogs” to “Shooting Super Macro.” Maybe even a little friendly competition thrown in. Experiment with backlighting, snoots and “close focus, wide angle.” In the evenings there will be a chance to review the day’s photos with the goal of everyone taking their skills to the next level. Take part in the daily activities as much or little as you like.

All inclusive trip only \$3725
(airfare from Los Angeles included!)

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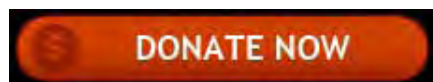
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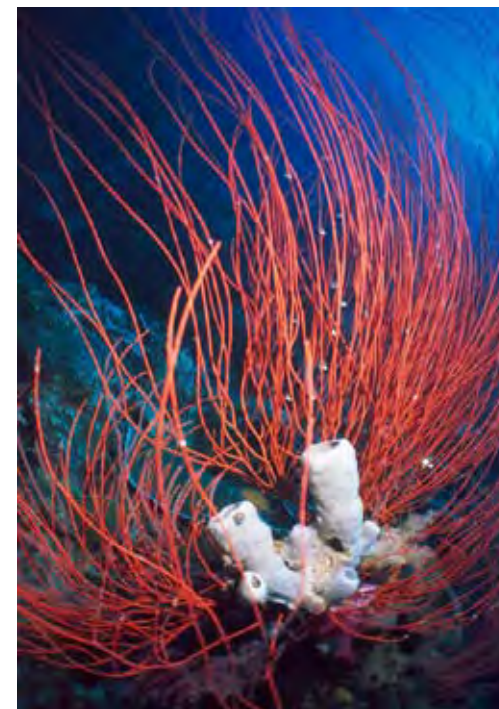
Palau Aggressor II with Jack Connick Nov 16 - 28th 2013

Join Optical Ocean Sales' owner Jack Connick for an amazing photo safari to Palau in Micronesia.

Our extended 10 night, 8.5 dive day expedition will be staying on the luxurious liveaboard Palau Aggressor II, based out of Koror, Palau. We will explore the waters in and around the mushroom-shaped rock islands of Palau. Dive sites will include WWII wrecks, German Channel, Ulong Channel and the famous Blue Corner – Micronesia's most famous shark dive.

The Palau Aggressor II is a spacious, comfortable catamaran. Stretching 106 feet, 31 feet wide and accommodates 18 guests who are pampered by a crew of 8! Deluxe cabins are en-suite with a/c. Diving is conducted from a 30' launch.

Optical Ocean Sales is working closely with the Aggressor for a special dive trip that will emphasize photo opportunities. The Aggressor and it's panga have excellent photo facilities. We'll be able to have smaller groups, and multiple dives on the same site (as warranted). We'll be giving seminars, group photo critiques, and be available to help you



get the most out of your trip.

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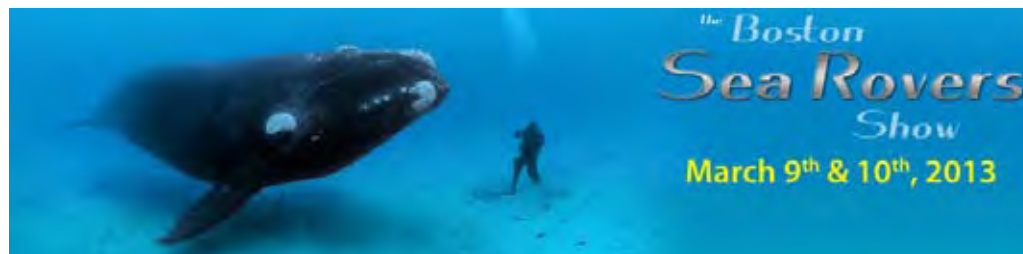


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59th Annual Boston Sea Rovers Clinic Film Festival

The jewel of each annual Clinic is our Saturday Evening Film Festival. The Sea Rovers take pride in the fact that we have continuously blazed the trail in the underwater world, premiering more speakers and presentations from our stages than any other show.

The Boston Sea Rovers are pleased to announce the 2013 Master of Ceremonies will be Ernie Brooks.

Additional presenters will be added to the site as we get final confirmation, so please check back again soon to see the spectacular list of filmmakers.

Ernie Brooks is frequently referred to as the Ansel Adams of the Underwater World for the breathtaking, timeless black and white images that he has captured on film. As a noted professional photographer, educator and ambassador to the industry, Mr. Brooks has won international acclaim for underwater photography and audio/visual presentation.

Mr. Brooks has been a trailblazer in the development of underwater photographic equipment and technique, and has witnessed great industry advances and though he has harnessed and implemented much of that new technology, at a time when a plethora of color underwater photographs illustrate magazines and glossy brochures, he, perhaps surprisingly, favors black and white.

In the pursuit of dramatic marine images, he has descended into the fascinating waters beneath the polar icecaps as well as into the depths of almost every ocean on Earth. His photographic legacy is the evidence that has illustrated changes in our environment, while he himself remains a tremendous voice in our need to witness the effect of that change. Ernie will be sharing some of his favorite images with us.

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The Sinking World

An art photography exhibit inspired by, and once displayed on, a sunken ship nearly 100 feet below the surface is the centerpiece of “The Art of Diving” events to be held Jan. 17-18 in Key West.

“The Sinking World,” by Austrian art photographer Andreas Franke, is to open at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, at The Studios of Key West, 600 White St. The exhibit consists of a dozen digitally composited images of the Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, a



former Air Force missile tracking ship that was scuttled in May 2009 to become an artificial reef in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

www.thesinkingworld.com

Franco Banfi, Canon Explorer

I am honored to inform you that I have been chosen to be part of the Canon Explorer elite group of photographers.

The Canon Explorers are highly talented photographers and filmmakers from a wide range of image making genres, including sports, photojournalism, wildlife and nature, travel, portrait, wedding and architecture.

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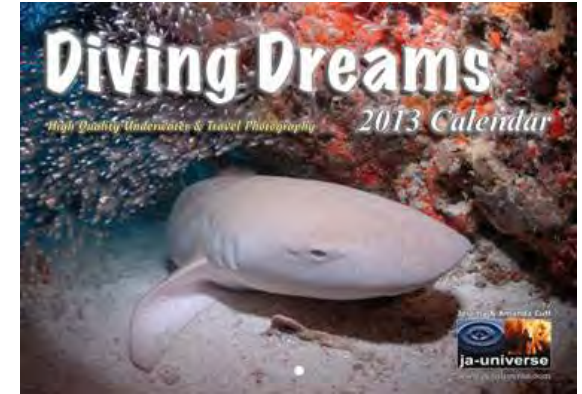
http://cpn.canon-europe.com/content/ambassadors/explorers/franco_banfi.do

Jeremy and Amanda Cuff's 2013 Calendar

Photographers and photojournalists Jeremy and Amanda Cuff have published a new 2013 Calendar titled “Diving Dreams”.

Jeremy said, “The Diving Dreams 2013 Calendar features a variety of images, mostly from our dive travels over recent times, and includes destinations such as Bali, Belize, Australia, the Philippines and the Maldives.”

The 2013 Calendar can be obtained from Jeremy & Amanda at a cost of £9.00 including postage (within the UK).



For further information, please visit Jeremy & Amanda's website.

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Indonesia World Underwater Photo Contest 2013

Indonesia World Underwater Photo Contest (IWUPC) is the largest, the longest, the most prestigious photo contest in the world held by The Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy, Republic of Indonesia.

IWUPC is the first photo contest that take place in the whole country (Nation Wide) from January to November 2013.

There are 8 categories: Basic Compact, Compact Plus Wide, Compact Plus Macro, DSLR – Wide, DSLR – Macro, People and Marine Conservation and the Junior Category.

Images submitted must be in JPEG format (no RAW or TIFF), with a minimum image size of one (1) MB.

Each entrant may enter several categories but each image may be

entered in only one (1) category.

For each dive area, each entrant is allowed to send up to five (5) images per category.

Submitted images must have been taken whilst Entrants dived with the Participating Dive Operator and be accompanied by the local Dive Leader provided by the PDO.

All images submitted must include the EXIF data (including date and time of capture, exposure, copyright info, camera model, etc) in each individual image.

All images must be sent by Nov 30th, 2013 (registered mail) and Dec 5th, 2013 (electronic). All images received after Dec 5th, 2013 24.00 will not be considered.

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Our World Underwater and DEEP Indonesia competitions 2013



The Underwater Competition series returns in 2013 for its 8th year with over \$80,000 in prizes. Known as the “Super Bowl” of underwater imagery events, the series has developed a reputation as being one of the elite underwater photography competitions. The competition series, made up of the Our World Underwater and DEEP Indonesia contests, truly showcases the unique art of underwater photography. Prizes include trips to the top resorts and liveaboards, as well as underwater photography equipment and prizes are awarded to winners in more than 15 categories. Additionally, the grand prize-winner of the Our World Underwater competition will be given \$1000 in cash.

The series, organized and founded by DivePhotoGuide.com and Wetpixel, is designed for photographers of all levels, with



categories ranging from novice to professional and even commercial photography. As in the past, Our World Underwater contest focuses on technical categories, while DEEP Indonesia offers themed entry categories.

As in years past, the judges will consist of a panel of industry experts including professional photographers, cinematographers and magazine editors. The winners of the Our World Underwater contest will be announced and exhibited at the Our World Underwater Exhibition on 15 February. Winners of the DEEP Indonesia contest will be announced on 7 March, 2013 and displayed at the show. Additionally, our international media partners will publish the winning images, reaching an audience of millions.

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During April and October-December, the SMY Tambora runs cruises combining this largely unknown and undived string of islands at the eastern rim of the Banda Sea with Raja Ampat, Triton Bay, or Alor and Flores. Cruises passing through the Kei Islands commence or end in Tual, which has easy access by

air from/to Ambon and beyond.

Either combination guarantees a great variety of diving. While Raja Ampat, Triton Bay and Alor excel with vibrantly colored reefs alive in soft corals, the diving off Kei offers steep walls, thrilling underwater rock formations and pristine hard coral gardens. What's more, large schools of reef fish are a common sight, as are pelagics.

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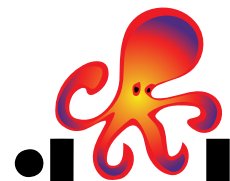
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