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2011 Special Workshop Edition
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Welcome to this special edition of Quack. This newsletter is being sent out to announce several new workshop offerings that had not been finalized in time for the recent Summer 2011 Issue. The next standard newsletter with lots of photo equipment and location news is due around September 21. Previous newsletters can be found on EJPhoto.com and clicking on the Newsletter button.



Pacific Brown Pelican - La Jolla, California

Workshop Announcements

Lake Clark, Alaska – Coastal Brown Bear Adventure (August 31-September 4, 2011)

While not an official leader of this workshop, I will be attending this adventure with Greg Downing, who cofounded NatureScapes.net with me and is the Publisher and CEO of NatureScapes. This is his workshop but I will help people in any way I can and share my photos, tips and knowledge with those in attendance.

Our adventure begins in Anchorage Alaska, where we will meet at the local airstrip for our flight via small aircraft to the renowned Silver Salmon Creek Lodge. After landing on the beach on the western shores of the Cook Inlet, we'll immediately be on the lookout for bears.

Nestled at the foothills of towering volcanic mountains, the lodge offers a breathtaking backdrop to the tidal grassy marshes, streams and pristine salt-water bays that make up the coastline. Each day will be a new adventure as we work the tides watching and photographing the bears. We can expect to capture images of them playing, grazing in the grass, clamming, salmon fishing or otherwise going about their business of survival. We will also be visiting an island where we will photograph Puffins.

A professional bear guide will lead us on our adventure. This guide will serve as our driver as well, employing an ATV with a comfortable trailer that will transport us back and forth between locations in the field.

The primary focus of the trip is brown bear photography. Therefore, most of our time will be spent in the field searching for and photographing bears. Photographic instruction, image processing tips, photo sharing and critiques will be offered in a casual atmosphere during down time. Instruction and guidance will be on hand at all times.

Price is \$4295 which includes lodging, meals, boat, and flight from Anchorage to Lake Clark. For complete details, please see the following link:

http://www.naturescapes.net/docs/index.php/workshopdetail?ws_code=alaska_bears_2011



Moose and Fall Colors of Maine (September 26-30, 2011)

I will be joining forces with outstanding Canadian photographer Chris Dodds in bringing you a truly amazing opportunity to photograph Moose in the wild in the beautiful northern Maine Autumn environment of Baxter State Park.

Our primary focus will be the Moose that are renowned for allowing close human approach. Our trip is also timed to coincide with the amazing fall colors that illuminate Baxter State Park every fall. Though not guaranteed (Moose are wild and free, after all), We often have Moose walking so close to us that we can feel their warm breath in the cool, fall air of Maine. We have traveled far to photograph these majestic giants of the Northern forest, so we won't be spending much time indoors at the computer (like many other photography groups); this trip is all about being out there with the Moose - seeing, being and documenting their behavior during the annual Rut. Other subjects may include White-Tailed Deer, Black Bear.

This workshop is highly recommended for any level photographer. Whether you are completely new to nature photography, an experienced amateur, or a seasoned pro. There will be something to photograph all day long and we will have plenty of time to tailor your instruction to your abilities. The seasoned pro can take full advantage of our site and subject knowledge.

Price is \$1695 USD or Canadian. For complete details, please see the following link:

<http://naturephotographyblog.squarespace.com/moose-and-fall-colors-of-maine>



The Return Of The SoCal DuckShop (February 10-15, 2012)

After two years off, I am once again offering the very popular Southern California DuckShop and in an expanded form that covers both the San Diego area and the Orange County area. This workshop will give you opportunities at a huge number of species of waterfowl, shorebirds, and many other species. This DuckShop will be offered under the NatureScapes Certified Workshop banner for ease of registration for both user and for myself.

Visiting locations such as Santee Lakes, La Jolla Shores, the famous Bolsa Chica Preserve, San Joaquin Sanctuary and Upper Newport Bay we are likely to see species such as Brown Pelican, White Pelican, Green-winged Teal, Blue-winged Teal, Cinnamon Teal, Bufflehead, American Wigeon, Gadwall, Lesser Scaup, Ring-necked Duck, Ruddy Duck, Northern Shoveler, Surf Scoter, Wood Duck, American Avocet, Western Sandpiper, Least Sandpiper, Long-billed Curlew, Marbled Godwit, Black Turnstone, and many more! I know each of the locations intimately and have scheduled this exclusive workshop for the optimum tide conditions and the best chances for creating dramatic images.

Complete details and a day by day itinerary as well as all registration materials can be found at the following link:

http://www.naturescapes.net/docs/index.php/workshopdetail?ws_code=duckshop_2012



Private Photography Instruction

In addition to the private DuckShops which I launched last winter after many years of group instruction workshops, I am now also offering private instruction in Wildlife and Landscape photography at the place of your choosing within the USA and Canada. All DuckShops and private Workshops will be of the one on one variety (or two on one). Clients may schedule time in 4 hour time blocks for either classroom or field sessions. With just two people, a number of shooting locations become possible that aren't possible for larger groups and thereby making it possible to photograph some species or locations that are not attainable with larger groups. More specific instruction, based on the client's specific needs, can be given using this delivery method in either the classroom or in the field. For more information please see the following link: http://www.ejphoto.com/duckshop_private.htm



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