

ImagingUSA—a big success. Hello March 4 CFPA training in Austin!

Those of you who attended ImagingUSA 2006 in Austin (Jan. 22-24) know what a great experience it was! We mingled with nearly 7,000 other conventioners. The presentation rooms were packed and the tradeshow as "a-buzz" with eager buyers. The exhibit space, donated to SKPA by Professional Photographers of America, was busy nearly every minute. Many thanks to Laura Popiel who helped staff the exhibit this year.

Many friends and former students stopped by to say, "hello." Also stopping by were a few conference and photography workshop directors who were interested in hosting a training in their area. As soon as dates are firm, we'll post them in the newsletter and on the website.

Wendy Imbornoni, a SKPA-accredited photographer from Phoenix was there to pick up an award in marketing from PPA at this year's award ceremonies. We featured Wendy in a former newsletter. For new subscribers and as a reminder to those of you who don't remember, her award-winning composite card is shown here (right).

Kevin and Kaye Newsome, Tampa, FL, are former SKPA students from a class in San Francisco. They became accredited in 2003. We were delighted to see Kevin as a platform speaker at this year's convention in Austin.

His presentation was titled, "Studio Photojournalism—an Oxymoron Unraveled." In other words, he demonstrated how to capture natural spontaneity from children right in the studio! SKPA will devote an entire newsletter to some of the excellent material he presented. It was a delight to see that his handout sheet of his own personal references contained information about how to contact Special Kids Photography of America! It is always a pleasure to see photographers "spreading the word."

Next year's ImagingUSA (a PPA national convention event) will be held in San Antonio, TX, January 14-16. See you there, if not before that date at WPPI, this year in Las Vegas, NV, April 7-12, www.wppionline.com.

Catch the next training on March 4 in Austin

Lately, some of you have been in a hurry to get accredited. If that is the case with you, don't miss the next training in Austin. What's more, you'll be able to attend a great convention with Monte Zucker, Vicki Taufer, Lisa Jane Murphy, Lori Nordstrom, Cindy Baker and Sancy Puc/Dave Junion. If you want to stay for a *Painter* class, Marilyn Sholin will be teaching on Mar. 8.

'06 Workshops

(SKPA Accreditation)

Austin, TX - Mar 4 (Sat) (Day before Children & Family Photogr of Amer (CFPA)
Registration: www.cfpamerica.com

Pasadena, CA - Mar 13 (Mon) (Day before ProPhoto). Loc: Long Beach. Contact SKPA for specific details (see info box)

Las Vegas, NV - 7 (Fri) (before WPPI)
Contact SKPA (see box)

St. George, UT - Apr 8 (Sat) (before WPPI)
St. George, UT - Apr 13 (Thur)

After WPPI (only 1.5 hr. N. of Las Vegas)
Tucson, AZ - May 1 (Mon) Come to the workshop in Diane Graham's custom-built studio!

See website for details
www.specialkidsphotography.com



This delightful studio photograph by Kevin and Kaye Newsome, Tampa, FL, is of a young girl who is hearing impaired. One has to look really close to notice the earpiece. Her adorable face and hands capture all the attention!



Holding blessings with our eyes.



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An advertising piece produced by Wendy Impornoni, of Phoenix, AZ, was selected for a marketing award by PPA ImagingUSA convention 2006 in Austin (January 22-24).



Thomas Balsamo, who has captured over 4,000 images of children with autism, will be in Las Vegas to present at WPPI on Monday, April 10 (4:30-6:30 p.m.). Don't miss it.

Special Kids Photography of America is a nonprofit organization dedicated to "increasing the face value" of children with special needs.

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