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**ST. AUGUSTINE
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FLORIDA'S HISTORIC COAST®

Nature Photography Takes Flight at Florida's Birding & Photo Fest

Join professional photographers for photography seminars, field workshops, and excursions

St. Augustine, Fla. (March 31) – For 22 years, Florida's Historic Coast has played host to this exciting Photography event. From April 23-27 [Florida's Photo Fest](#) will offer more than 100 photography events at locations throughout St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra & The Beaches.

Florida's Photo Fest is an exciting opportunity to learn from professional photographers and nature educators. Sessions cover the spectrum of abilities, from beginners who use iPhones to advanced photographers with top-of-the-line equipment to everyone in between. Classroom and outdoor sessions are used to teach technique, strategy, equipment selection, wildlife identification, processing, and more.

Its headquarters are at the [St. Jude Celebration Hall](#) on Anastasia Island. With plenty of free parking and comfortable accommodations, the meeting facility is the perfect location for educational workshops. Classroom seminars cover a variety of topics, including creative processes, Photoshop & Lightroom, composition, printing, and flash techniques.

The natural beauty of Florida's Historic Coast is an integral part of the festival's on-location workshops. Notable locations include [Frank Butler Park East](#), Marineland Rock Beach, [St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum](#), [GTM Research Reserve](#), and Matanzas Inlet. Hands-on education takes place on birding and nature tours, boating trips, and walking tours led by local operators. The festival offers workshops focused on photographing birds of prey, birds in flight, horses on the beach, historic architecture, landscapes, portraits, macro photography, and light painting.

Florida's Photo Fest will feature two keynote speakers. Joe Brady is presenting the Opening Keynote, "Make Better Landscape Photographs," at the St. Augustine Alligator Farm Zoological Park. The talk focuses on the power of light, color, and composition to create impactful images. The Keynote Reception features Lisa Langell and "The Art of Connection – Building Emotional Depth Through Photography." In this engaging and immersive session, she will explore how storytelling, composition, light, subject, atmosphere, and perspective can transform an ordinary shot into a profound experience.

Florida's Photo Fest offers group rates at select lodging partners, including [The Local—St. Augustine](#), [Beacher's Lodge Oceanfront Suites](#), [The Collector Luxury Inns & Gardens](#), [Guy Harvey Resort St. Augustine Beach](#), [Hilton Garden Inn St. Augustine Beach](#), and [Courtyard by Marriott St. Augustine Beach](#). Getting to Florida's Historic Coast has never been easier, with four airports within a two-hour drive.

Located midway between Daytona Beach and Jacksonville, Florida's Historic Coast includes historic St. Augustine, the outstanding golf and seaside elegance of Ponte Vedra, the rural beauty of Hastings, Elkton, St. Johns, and 42 miles of pristine Atlantic beaches. Visitor Information Centers are located at 10 Castillo Drive, St. Augustine; 200 Solana Rd. Suite B, Ponte Vedra Beach; and at the St. Johns County

Beach Pier Park, 350 A1A Beach Blvd., St. Augustine Beach. For advance travel information, call 1.800.653.2489 or go to the Visitors and Convention Bureau website at www.FloridasHistoricCoast.com

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