

About K.A. Hamdy-Swink

Photographer & Writer



In 2002 Kathy Hamdy-Swink retired her 'corporate high heels' after 20 years of fun - developing and marketing new products for computer communications technologies. Plans were to become a children's book author yet she got sidetracked with a sports writing assignment aimed to hone her writing skills. That job involved buying a new Digital SLR camera and in 2005 a career as a photographer took hold. She's always had a passion for photography so during her high tech career's world travels, she'd dog professional photographers - holding up her vintage manual 35mm Leica with hopes and high thirst for learning. Spotting the priceless Leica, most cornered photographers were more than willing to tutor her on how they created art by capturing light, emotions, and subjects while aligning compositions. On frequent trips to a San Francisco office during her corporate career, free time was spent drooling over one of the largest private collections of original Ansel Adams prints. Most likely his work influenced her 'simplicity with awe' style of artistic photos. With a 50/50 analytic and creative brain, which to her (and her husband) is frustrating to have, Kathy enjoys shooting low-light artistic photography embedded with hidden 'tales' and/or reflective points of view.



Her all-time favorite subjects to photograph are Golden Retrievers, vintage wood boats, lake scenes, and florals - lately done with a camp stool and tripod to off-set an inoperable degenerative spinal condition. Twenty of her favorite photos are featured in her stationary product line: "Awesome-Notecards" (boxed sets of elegant off-set printed notecards). Two of her photos have landed on the covers of magazines. A 'low-light' studio composition, "Softy's Yarn", was selected to be exhibited in a museum's juried, American Still Life exhibit and thirty-seven of her Wood Boat photos have been licensed for use in the Lake Rabun Association's directory.



Kathy shoots with Nikon cameras outfitted with variety of vintage and high tech pro glass lenses and is experimenting with creative studio 'flashlight' lighting combined with close-up (macro) photography. She's dabbling with family and children candid portraits, volunteers her photography services to various worthy charities, and provides custom framing services for her work. Corporate Clients include commercial interior/exterior architectural, construction, and landscape photography. Over 10,000 stock photos are available by request for license, freelance on-site photography services are available to corporate and personal clients. Private photography/camera lessons are soon to be available. Her company, Feather-Tales, LLC sells her Artistic framed photography, Awesome-Notecards, Awesome-Calendars, Awesome T's (t-shirts) and other photography gift items online, thru upscale resellers, and in fine art galleries.

Kathy splits time between Lakemont and Johns Creek, GA and can be reached at kathy@feathertales.com or [404-713-2424](tel:404-713-2424). She's married to Mike Swink and has two spoiled rotten Golden Retrievers - Winnie and Pooh Bear and also owns Pineapple Homes & Properties, LLC. For her latest news, please visit her website: www.featherTALES.com or www.woodboatphotos.com; Facebook page: **Feather-Tales**; or follow **@feathertales** on Twitter. She hopes you enjoy her photos!