



## Artist Profile



Aurele N. Gorneau, II is a 1983 Gardiner High graduate who has always enjoyed the out of doors. After attending the University of Maine at Orono he started a successful career with the Maine Department of Transportation in 1985.

Thanks to Johnneen, his wife since 1986 (and high school sweetheart), who has always encouraged him, he started studying photography in January 1994. That first adult education class at Gardiner High was the start of his journey into the art world.

Since then he has been an active member of the Capitol Area Camera Club; displayed prints in shows; done a commercial photography job for a company out of Washington state; photographed weddings both on his own and as a second photographer working for other Professionals; has sold numerous prints; received first place ribbons; from honorable mention to Best of Show at the 1997 Maine Sportsman's Show in Augusta; and, has had work accepted into a juried show at the Chocolate Church Gallery in Bath; had works published in the "What's Happening" section of the Kennebec Journal advertising the Camera Clubs March show at the Harlow Gallery and has been published on the cover of the Maine Sportsman magazine. He shoots annual brochure images of kids rafting, rock climbing and doing other outdoor activities for Adventure Bound in Caratunk, Maine.

In 2002 Aurele joined the Maine Professional Photographer's Association attending Seminars and workshops on portrait and wedding photography. In 2004 he started giving presentations and workshops on basic photography focusing on flowers.

"Nature" and "People in the Out-of-Doors" are his main subjects of interest, with one or more of his five kids often being the center of interest. Currently, he is attending seminars and trying to learn new techniques as well as developing his own style for making images.

Aspirations include giving back to the community by putting together slide shows for educating and entertaining at schools and nursing homes with his main goal being developing a business as a stock photographer, selling photos to book and magazine publishers.

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