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FOREVER AND A DAY

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY FOR A LIFETIME

From the moment I picked up a camera for the first time at summer camp, I knew I was onto something special. Watching a moment frozen in time, come up in the darkroom, was the perfect precursor to my career today.

Through years of college courses and life experiences, the smell of darkroom chemicals was never far away, and my dreams to capture more memorable moments for others ultimately led me to my career as a wedding photographer. After all, what day is more special than your wedding?

In business for eight years, when I'm not photographing I spend as much time as I can with my husband, Bryan and two daughters, Kyra and Aubrie. We enjoy skiing, gardening, bee keeping, maple sugaring and other homesteading hobbies. Documenting wedding days for my clients remains one of my greatest pleasures in both my photography business and in my life.

I look forward to creating unique, beautiful photography with you, which will act a window back to your special moments for years to come-- and all with a burning passion for photography, art, and your love for one another.

Embrace the now moments forever.

Yours,

The Dodds

Weddings are about *honoring* friends and family.

The *purpose* of our services is to *preserve* your wedding *memories* in an artful and archival format.



letters from you



Kate Spencer

Thea is incredible!!! I absolutely loved having her shoot our wedding, we really hardly noticed her throughout the ceremony and reception. She was worth every cent!!! We were surprised at all the moments she caught because we didn't notice her around at the time. The final product was even more spectacular.



Erin Linsky

Thea was incredibly kind, professional, and unintrusive on the wedding day. She also took the most beautiful photographs that captured so many candid moments. I am amazed by her talent. While she was not the least expensive photographer we looked at, I am so happy that we made the decision to go with Thea – the quality and service of her work made it well worth it.



Emily & Kristen Keenan

Thea was great – she was so professional and organized. Her shots of the guests, the scenery, the events, and the details were incredible. She was also so unobtrusive in our day that we hardly noticed she was there most of the time until we saw our proofs and realized she had been everywhere and captured everything! I highly recommend her to anyone looking for a wedding photographer.

My fiancé and I really want to have a nighttime wedding, but I've heard that will spell disaster for our pictures. What do you think we should do?

Go for it! While photographers generally prefer natural light to artificial light for the photographs, you should always do what makes you happy. At Authentic Eye Photography we come equipped to handle any lighting situation and have years of experience with many different venues and circumstances, including nighttime weddings. Because you never have to worry about your images not coming out nicely, go ahead and have your dream wedding and leave the details to us!

I know it's best to take formal photographs before the wedding, but I guess you could say we are old-fashioned. Could we see each other before the wedding?

Here at Authentic Eye Photography, we definitely pride ourselves in catering to the needs and desires of our clients. It is 100% your choice to see, or not see, each other before the wedding. That said, taking the formal photographs before the wedding, ensures us not only more time to get the best photographs but it also gets the formals out of the way by the time you are ready to go to your party. We find that stress levels with brides, grooms, family members and wedding parties is greatly reduced when the formals are taken care of and they can focus on just having fun and being with their guests. Also, depending on the time of day, we may have better light and access to better portrait locations before the ceremony.

We'd love to set aside some time for an engagement shoot. Is this something you do?

We sure do! We work with you to plan the engagement shoot, including location selection and wardrobe recommendations. Additionally, we can even help you design pieces for your wedding using your engagement shoot photos for sign-in boards, guest books, save-the-date cards, thank you cards, table place settings, and much more. Authentic Eye Photography also offers many wonderful album options to help you remember your engagement shoot forever. Be sure to check out page 8 of this issue for more information about scheduling your own engagement shoot for a lifetime of special memories!

HAVE A QUESTION? We'd love to hear from you and answer your question in a future issue of Authentic Eye's magazine. Please send your question to thea@authenticeye.com or call Thea at 603-786-5048.



kate & jack



I recently had the privilege of photographing Kate and Jack's gorgeous wedding this last June. Brisk weather matched the racing pulse of friends and family alike as the two said "I do." Because weddings are a flurry of excitement and special moments between loved ones, family and friends, it is important to not only capture those smiles, demure glances and beautiful flowers; stunning photography also captures the wishes of the client.

How can you be prepared for the biggest day of your life so far? Here, Kate & Jack share:

THE BEST ADVICE FOR A BRIDE.

"Make sure to have a close friend or relative help you keep track of time," says Kate. "In the excitement of the events taking place, it's so easy to run late, especially when so many of you might be getting ready together!"

THE BIGGEST SURPRISE ABOUT THEIR WEDDING DAY.

"We had an exciting moment when the ring bearer tripped coming down the aisle," says Jack. "He's this young nephew of mine and he really crashed. Then the flower girl went back, pulled him up, and they kept walking. Everybody loved that."

THEIR FAVORITE PHOTO MOMENT.

"We thought the formal photos were going to be the most important," says Kate, "but the candids turned out to be our favorites because we saw that everyone was in the moment as much as we were."

WHAT THEY LOVED MOST ABOUT WORKING WITH THEA DODDS

Jack says, "Thea at Authentic Eye Photography was really cool. I didn't know what to expect from a photographer, so when I saw pictures of people and things I never got to see during the day, I was pretty happy. She caught all of the details and got great shots of friends and family, too."

HOW TO TAME THOSE WEDDING DAY NERVES.

Kate says, "There's no real way to not be nervous, but I tried not to think about it, pretending we were getting ready for prom instead."

WHICH ONE MOMENT WILL LAST FOR THEM FOREVER.

Jack and Kate say they will most remember seeing Jack's brother cry at the altar. "My brother's a pretty tough guy, so seeing him tear up a little during the ceremony was enough to make me almost lose it. Thankfully, Thea caught him with his hand coming away from his face! It was really a cool moment to see him so happy for me."





GETTING MARRIED WITHOUT BEING HARRIED

- *Be sure to have a hair and makeup trial at least a month before your wedding. This will give you peace of mind to know exactly how you will look and give you the opportunity to change things in advance if necessary. Make sure to bring all jewelry to the trial to see how makeup shades work with the pieces.*
- *Have your florist deliver your flowers to where you are getting ready, not the ceremony venue. Since you never know when the mood will strike for a great photo, you'll want your flowers there and ready to go.*
- *Find out what the rules for photographs are at the ceremony location. All venues are different, some restricting the location of photographs and even the times in which they are permitted.*
- *If possible, arrange to have your formal photographs taken before the ceremony. Getting this step out of the way early in the day frees up the rest of your time to spend with your guests. You will be able to go straight to cocktail hour and catch up with loved ones without stress. It's a new age, so it's no longer considered bad luck for the groom to see the bride before the wedding.*
- *Have food delivered to your getting ready location. It may be hectic, but take the time to have a bite before the wedding since it will be a while before you have the opportunity to nourish yourself during the reception.*
- *Prepare an emergency bridal kit with clear nail polish, mints, a sewing kit, stain treater, Visine, safety pins, bobby pins, pain reliever and mini deodorant.*
- *Allowing 50% more time for hair and makeup than you originally anticipated alleviates the number one reason wedding schedules end up running late. This will assure you have plenty of time for all the portraits you want to take before the wedding.*
- *Make sure you discuss a "rain plan" with your venue just in case Mother Nature doesn't see sunshine in the cards.*



The Weekend Warrior

15 hours photography over 3 days
 Second photographer
 Engagement session
 Bridal session
 On-line proofing
 Proofbook
 Flash drive of all edited images
 \$3,000 album credit
 \$500 print credit
 50% discount on print prices



The All-Nighter

8 hours photography
 Second photographer
 Engagement session
 On-line proofing
 Proofbook
 Flash drive of all edited images
 \$1,500 album credit
 35% discount on print prices



The Simple Life

6 hours photography
 Photographer's assistant
 On-line proofing
 Flash drive of all edited images
 \$700 album credit
 20% discount on print prices

A la Carte Options

customize any
of our packages

- ♥ *Wedding photography by the hour*
- ♥ *90 days of on-line proofing*
- ♥ *Proofbook*
- ♥ *Bridal Session*
- ♥ *Engagement Session*
- ♥ *Second photographer*
- ♥ *Flash drive of images*





THE DIVA'S IN THE DETAILS

WHAT AMAZING ACCOUTREMENTS GO INTO THE MOST DELICIOUS DAY EVER?

So many things are special about your wedding day. While they may seem like small details, the unassuming pillow your ring bearer carried might have been made from your Christening gown. Or those shoes with the delicate pearl buttons may have been your mother's. These are the smaller, sometimes unnoticed details that tell the story of your special day, that we document for you at Authentic Eye Photography. Whether it's your bouquet or your shoe or your something blue, it's all a part of your distinct personality as a couple, *sharing your yesterdays while you prepare for your many tomorrows.*





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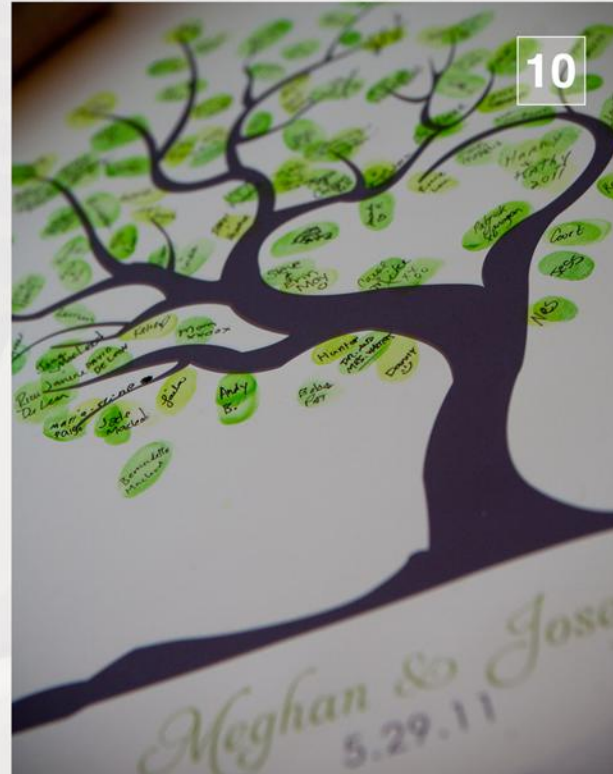
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FROM SHOOT TO ALBUM

The weeks prior to and directly following your wedding planning are busy times. Here at Authentic Eye Photography we honor your harried moments with a special timeline which will help you to understand how we are working our hardest to avoid any unnecessary surprises:

Four-six weeks before your wedding: we send you a wedding information form to fill out all the details most important to you for capturing the best images possible.

Two weeks before your wedding: We chat on the phone a little bit about the day and discussing any last minute specifications

The day of your wedding: We arrive at the scheduled time and quickly run through the course of the day. Then we coordinate with your family and friends regarding scheduled start times for formal portraits and what to expect.

A week after your wedding: We collect all of your wedding images which will then be edited, retouched, archived and prepared for your online gallery or proofs.

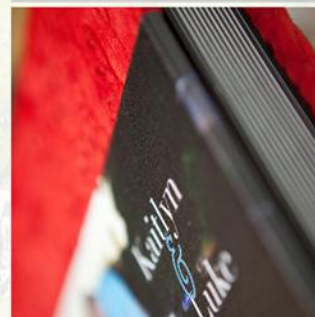
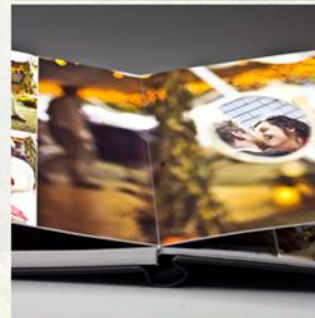
Four weeks after your wedding: We post your online wedding gallery.

Five weeks after your wedding: We deliver your physical proofs as well as an online album pre-design.

Eight weeks after your wedding: You should complete your change requests to your album pre-design to us no later than eight weeks after the wedding so we can finalize your album design.

Ten weeks after your wedding: We “skype” for your album approval as well as to pick out your favorite components for your album in terms of cover materials, color and style. We can also use this opportunity to take orders for portraits, wedding party member gifts, parent albums, and any of the other unique keepsakes we offer.

Six weeks after your album is ordered: Your album and artwork are ready! At this time we also provide a client care card packet which will ensure a long life for your precious heirlooms. We ship your album and flash drive of final images to your address of choice.



VENUE SPOTLIGHT



THE INN ON NEWFOUND LAKE has been welcoming travelers since 1840, as an overnight stop on the stage coach route from Boston to Montreal. Still maintaining its historic charm, the Inn greets its guests with a full veranda overlooking the spectacular sunsets on Newfound Lake.

The Inn has been extensively refurbished while maintaining every bit of its old world charm, offering twenty-eight rooms with two suites making it the ideal spot for a special occasion. Host a destination wedding in our restaurant, extensive gardens or newly renovated barn accommodating up to 250.

To learn more about how Joy can help you plan the wedding of your dreams, call her at (603) 744-9111 or visit their website at www.newfoundlake.com.

The Inn on Newfound Lake Facts

Only two hours from the Boston airport.

The Pasquaney Restaurant & Wild Hare Tavern, is one of the finest dining establishments in the area.

The Newfound area is one of the premier, unspoiled, four-season vacation spots in the Northeast United States.

Newfound lake is best known as the cleanest lake in New Hampshire and one of the cleanest in the nation.

Experience life as it should be with Innkeepers who care.



STRIKE A POSE

Here at Authentic Eye Photography we pride ourselves in capturing the most natural, candid portraiture possible. This style showcases your day as it was, helping to bring your personalities forward and documenting your day for a lifetime of memories.

While we shoot the majority of our images this way, it's also very important to capture traditional formal portraits as well. Since our most important goal is getting you to your wedding on schedule, we allow 3-5 minutes for each desired grouping to ensure maximum results with minimal time. (Make sure all flowers and boutonnieres are delivered on time and affixed to family members and to the wedding party in advance.)

Because we prefer to keep the number of groups to ten or less for more intimate group shots, we always start with the largest group and break it down after that to allow for mingling. As time permits, we love to include a picture of the bride with each of her bridesmaids and the groom with each of his groomsmen, since each person has been invited due to close, personal ties with the couple.

If you have ideas for any 'can't-miss' portrait groupings you would like to see photographed during this time, make sure to note them on your provided wedding information form. We're happy to work with you to capture all of your special moments!



ALL ABOUT ALBUMS

Kaitlyn & Luke Salamone's wedding album was a culmination of all the wonderful memories of the day presented in a beautiful book that tells the story for a lifetime. Because the wedding album process can be a little challenging for busy couples like the the Salamone's, we provide full album services from image selection to design to cover selection, and more. Choosing from our main album line of gorgeous handbound books constructed from only the best quality materials and workmanship, we fashioned a professionally designed keepsake complete with a custom canvas cover and protective box for decades of enjoyment. And since our premium line is also guaranteed for life against wear and tear, Kaitlyn & Luke never have to worry about their precious memories falling into disrepair.

Parent Albums

Albums aren't just for couples anymore. Our parent albums are the perfect gifts to present to the parents of the couple after the wedding. Each parent album is a clone of the bride and groom's book or custom-designed to your liking. All cover and design options we offer for bride and groom books are also available for parent albums.

Design Services

Never worry about design; Authentic Eye Photography includes full design services for each album purchased. We will pre-design your album & then allow you to customize it with unlimited changes.

Album Options

Our albums start at 20 pages and are available in a variety of sizes such as 10x10, 12x12, and 10x14 sizes. Parent albums are also available as 6x6 or 6x9 sizes. Covers are available in leather, canvas, or fabric. Ask about monograms and cover cameos, both beautiful ways to personalize your book.

Cover Options

Our albums come in a variety of colors and materials to perfectly match your wedding's theme. Below are a few of our most popular choices:





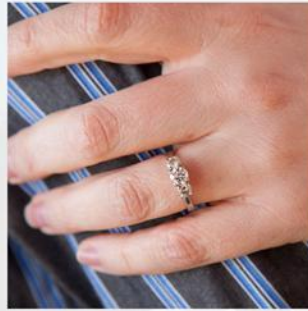
considering an engagement session?

Engagements are so engaging. Romance is in the air and the anticipation of a lifetime together comes to a crescendo in the rush during the Weeks leading up to your wedding, causing you to wonder: Is an engagement shoot necessary? After all, your wedding pictures share the beginning of your life, right?

Shooting an engagement is important for several reasons. First, this time allows you to get comfortable in front of the camera with your photographer, figuring out how you work best together before the wedding. Next, you can showcase your personalities in a more casual

setting, while creating some fun captures for wall portraits, your wedding sign-in book, sign-in board and Thank You cards (shot early enough, we can also provide the images for your Save the Date cards and invitations). Images also add another dimension to your wedding album, chronicling the story from engagement to your wedding day.

Best of all, you can remember this special time forever away from the throngs of loved ones and friends. This is your time together.



Questions to Ask Every Wedding Photographer

Something I hear a lot is that shopping for a wedding photographer is hard work. Comparing photographer's packages are sometimes like comparing apples to oranges. Here are some questions to ask a photographer whom you are considering:

How long have you been in business? *I started Authentic Eye Photography in 2004.*

How many weddings have you photographed? *I have personally photographed over 200 weddings.*

Do you have experience shooting in various lighting situations? *I've photographed in just about any lighting situation you can imagine. That is certainly a benefit to hiring a photojournalist! I have my lighting techniques down and I come prepared.*

Do you sometimes book yourself for more than one event in a day? Weekend? *I only do one wedding a day. Weddings are hard work, so I make sure my schedule allows us to give each wedding everything the client deserves.*

Do you retain the copyright for the photos? *Yes, but I do release the rights for reproduction if you purchase a disk. The only difference there is if I released the copyright it would mean I didn't take the photo. Releasing for reproduction means you can print to your hearts content, you just couldn't claim it as your own work.*

What kind of equipment do you typically bring with you on the day-of? *I bring a lot of equipment. I have 3 professional cameras, 3 pro flashes, about 10 lenses, a studio light, light stands, diffusers, tripods, 100 gigs of CF cards and more. I don't use all this equipment at every wedding but this allows me to be prepared for any situation.*

Do you bring back-up equipment to the event in case of malfunction? *This is a must have. Too much is riding on a wedding day.*

Are you available to shoot extra hours? *15 minutes before my time is up I always check in with my clients and see if they have any requests before I go or if they would like me to stay.*

Do you charge for travel? *If your wedding is outside of my local radius then there is a small travel fee.*

Still have questions? Just call me: 603-786-5048





EACH TIME I GET DONE LOOKING THROUGH THE PHOTOS, I FEEL LIKE I WAS THERE AGAIN, RIGHT DOWN TO I HEAR THE NOISE OF THE CELEBRATION. I WAS BLOWN AWAY BY HOW MANY OF THE LITTLE THINGS THAT WE DID KIND OF TONGUE IN CHEEK THAT YOU PICKED UP ON WITHOUT BEING TOLD... I ALSO AM DELIGHTED THAT YOU PUT THE BOOKS TOGETHER BECAUSE WITH ALL THOSE GREAT PICTURES WE COULDN'T BEGIN TO NARROW IT DOWN. THANK YOU A MILLION TIMES.

--KIM MOORE

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