



Hi, I'm Malinda Hartong and I've been looking through a lens for over 20 years, including 6 years as a staff photographer at the Cincinnati Enquirer & over 10 years freelancing. Photography is my passion, profession and pretty much addiction. My images have been published around the world, including The Times of London, The Guardian (U.K.), US Bank, Sam Adams, Ohio Professional Firefighters, Seventeen Magazine, Wyoming Fire Department, and more. My husband Glenn was a staff news photographer for over 27 years - we're a photo family :)

Classes: I love sharing my passion for photography, teaching regularly scheduled classes at several Cincinnati locations, covering all aspects of digital photography & tech classes for beginners to professionals: Photoshop & Photoshop Elements (Mac & Windows), Lightroom, Mac, iPad, iPhone, and more. Classes draw folks from all over the tri-state area, with participants attending from south-central Indiana, central Ohio and central Kentucky, and sell out frequently. We even have teen classes & summer camps.

Private Lessons: I absolutely love sharing tips and tricks with 1-1 Private Lessons, targeting clients' questions and solving problems for folks just like you who are looking to improve their skills.

My favorite locations, page 4, for lessons include my studio, nearby Winton Woods (awesome outdoor & wildlife opportunities) or Glenwood Gardens (landscaped gardens & architecture). I do offer travel as well. I look forward to helping any way I can, taking photography to the next level. Please contact me with ANY questions!

Looking forward to better images with each click!

Malinda Hartong

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I can finally use my camera without being on the auto! I have tried watching instructional videos and reading books without any luck. After taking your class I have the confidence to use my camera the way it was designed to be used. I'm excited to keep practicing and keep improving! Thanks again for everything! I am amazed by how much I have learned!
Mindy

1-1 Lessons are always geared to each client –

from **Absolute Beginners** (practical tips without going over your head) to **Advanced** - taking you to the next level. "It's so exciting to introduce a beginner to the thrill of photographing what they're passionate about, helping them know they'll be able to get *that* image!" **All cameras & software**, iPhone, point & shoot, SLR, Photoshop to Lightroom,... Malinda shoots with both Nikon & Canon SLRs, plus iPhone. Here's what we typically cover for beginners. **Advanced lessons on anything!**

1 LESSON - PERFECT FOR BEGINNERS!

- **Focus!** get your camera to focus where YOU want, not the factory settings that choose for you! Yuck!
- **1st Button** to set – use 1 powerful button to adjust for bright sun, dark indoors, fast action
- **Flash!** when to REALLY use or not use flash – this easy pro trick blows everyone's mind!
- **Lenses!** Which to use when – Moms LOVE this trick
- **BOOK NOW one 2 hour lesson is \$125**

2 LESSONS! MOST POPULAR!

- **Unlock Your Photo Super Power** – totally transform your photos with 1 button! **EASY** with **ANY** camera - iPhone to SLR
- **Action!** Indoors & out! Great for sports moms!
- **Composition** tricks plus less cropping, better quality images.
- **Low light** – & no, don't worry, you don't need **MANUAL MODE!!!**
- **Gorgeous family photos** - easy pro portrait tricks
- **Rock That Trip!** getting the best images of your travels - of YOUR Family & not everyone else's :)
- **Gear** – what you need, where to get it! Reliable dealer recommendations. Avoid buying something that won't work with your gear or doesn't have a US warranty! **SAVE \$\$\$\$**
- **Basic File Management** – storing all your gorgeous images!
- **BOOK NOW - 2 lessons \$199. Save \$50!**
- **TIP!** 2 friends - 2 lessons, Just \$125 each - **TWICE THE FUN!** Each book 1 lesson - Just note when booking. :)

3 LESSONS: EASY EDITING TOO!

- **Editing** - another **Super Power!** – whether you use **phone** to **tablet** (love iPad!) to **computer** - recommendations based on your lifestyle & gear
- More tricks for **organizing, editing, sharing, saving & finding** your images much easier! And **MUCH FASTER!** How to **Save TONS of TIME!**
- **Pretty blurred backgrounds!** Simplifying f-stops! You really won't believe how easy! Not kidding!
- **How to AVOID Manual Mode** like we do! It's too slow! Don't miss shots - capture them!
- **Flash Super Powers!** Cool controls pros use to tone down flash fast & easy! How to balance flash & ambient light - the easy way!
- **Your Passion!** special interests – shoot what you love - performances, stage, macro, wildlife, sports, portraits,...
- **BOOK NOW - all 3 amazing lessons are just \$270! SAVE OVER \$100!**

TIP! Adding friends is easy & fun! If you need help with **Custom classes** or splitting between friends, just call 513-245-4100 or email Malinda!

“ ...helped me understand my camera and how to use it to its potential. Great instruction. Malinda is very patient. Explanations are simple and easy to understand. Answered questions without making me feel dumb. Nancy





Highly recommend classes to anyone! Malinda is a great teacher. She is super sweet and friendly. She shares her knowledge of 25 years experience and gives you useful information that will impact your photos. I learned so much in just one class and look forward to our next class." Ester

Gift Certificates

[Our Mobile Web](#)

Gift Certificates are available for our DSLR Beyond Auto workshop and other classes, as well as private lesson packages. Certificates are valid for a period of 2 years.

A pdf booklet is sent via email to the purchaser so pass along filled with info on Malinda's bio and details on how to book the lesson or class online, what to bring, where to meet, ... - a lot like this pdf :) Use the links below to purchase a gift certificate for lessons or classes. Be sure to sign up for our **newsletter** to keep tabs on upcoming classes as well as access to exclusive discounts!

Pricing for gifts includes our standard locations, does not include travel etc. If you'd like to **split costs**, we can create an invoice per person and send a link - just ask :). Pricing subject to change without notice.

[Gift Certificate for 1 Lesson \\$125](#)

[Gift Certificate for DSLR Beyond Auto Workshop OR one 2 ½ Hour private lesson \\$150](#)

[Gift Certificate for 2 Lessons \\$199](#)

[Gift Certificate for 2 Lessons with a friend \\$250](#)

[Gift Certificate for 3 Lessons \\$270](#)

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We had a great time! I was really impressed with how prepared you were, with print outs simplifying the camera functions and examples of photos on your iPad. I think anyone who purchases a DSLR owes it to themselves to invest in an instructor lead class, to be able to utilize all of the wonderful functions of an SLR. Otherwise, might as well buy a point and shoot. Looking forward to our next session!



Hartong *Favorite Locations*

Winton Woods*

10245 Winton Road, Cincinnati OH 45231. **Winton Lake:** 156 acre lake created by Army Corp of Engineers for flood control in the 1950s, the lake offers easy access from the Harbor area for beautiful images and even really cool wildlife shots. Handicap accessible.

Winton Woods Park: the entire park is 2555 acres with a golf course, miles of woodland as well as paved trails, wetlands, animals at Parky's Farm plus horseback riding, and then some! We've spotted all sorts of **wildlife:** deer of course – fawns to amazing 8 point bucks, coyotes(rare!), MINK!, Eagle!, lots of heron ducks & geese, Osprey, hawks, owls, chipmunks, bats, and more... Malinda LOVES wildlife, and having this natural resource close to the studio offers amazing opportunities for images.

Glenwood Gardens*

10397 Springfield Pike, Cincinnati OH 45215. Much smaller at 335 acres, Glenwood is very different! The pergolas and landscaping are great for our plant lover friends, plus 1.0-mile paved trail & the 1.6-mile Wetland nature trail, formal gardens, prairies, forests & wetlands.

Our Studio

We have a little slice of country in the middle of the 'burbs about a mile from Winton Woods. Our ground level studio makes a perfect space for teaching up to 8, as well as private lessons. The front porch is a client favorite too - view of the acre pond and garden are unmatched and so peaceful!

Village Square in Glendale

Trains, garden & gazebo, quaint shops, and best of all - **Bluebird Bakery & Cafe**, 29 Village Square, 45246 - one of my favorite meeting spots - it could be due to Jenny's oatmeal cookies. Or pumpkin pie. Or ... well you get the idea.

More Locations:

Other area favorites are available for a small travel fee, as well as coming to you: Cincinnati's riverfront, especially along Mansion Row in Northern Kentucky, Farbach Werner Nature Preserve (Colerain Twp), Miami Whitewater Forest (Harrison Ohio), Rising Sun Indiana, Madison Indiana, Sharon Woods (waterfalls)... our SW Ohio, N Kentucky & SE Indiana central location offers so many rich opportunities for outdoor & urban images.

*It just feels good when it all comes together.
All moving parts locked in! Sue*





Add Friends or Create a Custom Workshop

We have an absolute blast teaching 2 or 3 at a time - there really is fun in numbers - from sisters to couples, cousins to friends... Here's an easy way to book 2 private lessons and split the cost: just book 1 lesson each. We're also happy to design a class for your group/workplace/church... please contact us if you have any questions at all – happy to help!

Reservations

Teaching is Malinda's full-time gig. Our schedule varies a bit with group classes & time of year. We typically reserve Sundays for our family, but do have some "off hours" available for lessons.

Lessons & custom classes can be **tailored for any age & skill level**, absolute beginner to advanced, aspiring pro & beyond. We're happy to create a custom workshop for your business, group, friends,...

Your safety is important to us! Malinda has been background checked by multiple agencies including schools and fire services. We do ask that **minors** be accompanied by one parent/guardian. We'll gladly adjust lessons to accommodate any **physical limitations**. Our park locations do offer some stunning accessible locations. Our studio is accessible as well. Please let us know if you have any special requests or requirements.

We accept PayPal, MasterCard, Visa, and American Express. We never even see your payment information. We always strive for the best security available. Refunds are given a class is cancelled due to enrollment. In case of emergency, you may come to the next session, or upgrade to a lesson as a makeup for a nominal fee. Gift Certificates are valid for 2 years. They may not be redeemed for cash. Lessons are transferrable but not refundable. ALL Pricing subject to change without notice.

*Winton, Glenwood, Village of Glendale, studio are no additional. Other locations: *Travel charges* are based on round trip miles, any additional fees charged by the location, & travel time.

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