

# PRESS RELEASE

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## Painting with Light, Nature Photography at Night Workshop in June

*A nighttime nature photography workshop offering from USA Aloft with nature photographer, David Saxe, in June at the Massabesic Audubon Center in Auburn, NH.*

**Auburn, NH** – USA Aloft, LLC is offering "**Painting with Light, Nature Photography at Night**" with nature photographer, David Saxe, at **Massabesic Audubon Center** in Auburn, NH, on **Friday, June 25, 2010 from 6 - 10 pm.** (Rain date Saturday, June 26.) This workshop explores the metaphor of using light sources as paintbrushes to illuminate and photograph natural outdoor subjects at night. Contact Audubon at 603-668-2045 to pre-register. Cost is \$30 for members/\$40 for non-members.

### The Workshop

This workshop explores the use of light to illuminate night-time subjects. Creative use of illumination, coupled with long exposure times, may be employed both to take night time pictures of natural surroundings and to create stunning artistic views of the world. The workshop begins indoors with a discussion of techniques. As darkness provides a palette, participants move outside to experiment with various lighting scenarios using tungsten, LED and quartz flashlights and various color filters. Ambient light, photographic flash and laser pointers add to the lighting possibilities.

Mr. Saxe explains, "In addition to standard night exposure techniques we will expand on the painting metaphor. Think of the dark night subject as a blank canvas. Using various light sources as paint brushes we will explore techniques that paint that canvas to expose the subject: A broad flash is like a roller filling a background. A small colored flashlight creates areas of highlight. A laser pointer creates crisp, fine detail like a colored pencil. "

### About David Saxe and USA Aloft

David Saxe is a systems architect, pilot and photographer with a strong background in scientific programming and systems design. Mr. Saxe has worked with digital images and techniques since the early 1970s. Working for fifteen years at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, NJ, he created software for analysis, reduction and graphical presentation of astrophysics images, including data from Hubble Space Telescope. In 2002, he formed USA Aloft, LLC, a New Hampshire based software and aerial photography company, specifically to digitally photograph the Lewis and Clark Trail. Teaching a variety of technical subjects throughout his career, he began teaching nature photography in 2007. In addition to this and a basic workshop, USA Aloft offers advanced photography instruction for post processing and printing, depth of field, field exercises, computer control of camera systems, time lapse photography and stereo photography.

For further information about David Saxe and USA Aloft, LLC, visit [www.usaaloft.com](http://www.usaaloft.com).

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Massabesic Audubon Center

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