

Doug Gordon Biography

As a second generation photographer, Doug Gordon has been honing his artistic skills for almost 2 decades. He has been around weddings since the young age of 11; when he began his apprenticeship with his dad Ken. Doug continued his training for many years with photography legend Monte Zucker. As the lead photographer and owner of Patken Photographer Inc., Doug heads up a close knit team of associate photographers that specialize in capturing life and his extremely cutting edge style at nearly 800 weddings per year internationally. Doug continues to aggressively change and grow. While his work continues to garner international awards and media attention being featured in many magazines including Rangefinder, Storyteller, In Style, Martha Stewart; just to name a few. His work has been described as a fashionable, editorial style of today's wedding.

At the young age of 33 Doug has photographed at more than 3000 weddings internationally as well as capturing on film several celebrities and athletes at a wide array of weddings and social functions. His weddings span all over the world from Mexico to Manhattan, Canada to Europe. His detailed approach and stylish portraits are the reason he is one of the most sought after photographers around.

His awards and accolades while too numerous to mention all; include some very prominent ones. At the age of 21 Doug was one the youngest C.P.P's ever, He also been awarded the degree of Photographic Craftsman from PPA. As well as the Artist of Photographic Mastery, Accolade of Outstanding Photographic Achievement, Accolade of Exceptional Photographic Achievement and the Accolade of Highest Photographic Achievement from WPPI. He has been recently been awarded with the Fellowship of Photography from the famed British Photography Association SWPP. In 2006 Doug was hired by the worlds leading cruise line Carnival to be head photo consultant. Also in 2006 Doug's NY based studio became the first wedding studio opening Franchise studios around the U.S In 2007 Doug will be part of the Masters of Wedding Photography DVD which showcase 5 of the worlds most talented and successful wedding photographers

As a leading expert in the industry, Gordon has been a sought after inspirational lecturer and educator on the latest trends in photography. Since 1998 Doug has spoken in almost all the major cities across the United States, as well as several others worldwide in which he reached tens of thousands of photographers with his message of dare to be different. He has been a featured speaker at PPA, WPPI, SWPP and SPD's conventions.

Doug is currently sponsored by Asuka Book, Eventpix, Tamrac, Quantum Instruments, Denny and many others.