

Fall 2006

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Congratulations to
Erin and Pat who were
married in October

STAGI IMAGERY FALL 2006 UPDATES

Welcome to the Fall 2006 issue of the quarterly magazine "Inspire" brought to you by Stagi Imagery. In each issue we will focus on what inspires us as creative artists to do what we love to do.

Spread love this season

The time has changed, the leaves are changing colors... The Holidays are here.

Although Christmas is my favorite holiday, I notice that there is an upgrade in stress and work load, trying to finish the year with a bang. I thought to myself what special thing can I do this year to show how much I sincerely appreciate everything, big or small that has happened in the last year. The answer is to VOLUNTEER! Something I think we all say is nice and if we had the time we might consider it.

This year I would like to encourage you to take some time to give to your favorite charity. Giving does not always mean to donate money. It means also to give of yourself, your time, your

abilities, and most importantly your love. There is something extra special that happens to you when you reach out from the heart to give. You find yourself blessing others and being blessed at the same time.

Local Places to Volunteer

Here is a list of some local organizations that could use your help.

- Second Harvest Food Bank - They collect and distribute more than 30 million pounds of food each year to low-income children and seniors. For volunteer information contact them at 408-266-8866
- Jubilee Christian Church - Provides needy families in Alviso and other parts of

San Jose a full Thanksgiving meal. A \$40 donation can feed a family of 5. Contact Jubilee at 408-262-0900.

- Cupertino Community Center - Cupertino's annual Adopt a Family program allows you to sponsor a family for the holidays. You'll provide your adopted family with wrapped gifts for each family member and a gift certificate for food from a local grocery store. Call them at 408-255-8033 for more information.

There are many other opportunities available to help out our community. You can visit the Volunteer center of Silicon Valley at www.vcsv.us for more information.

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Ferdinand and Charmaine in Downtown San Jose



Matt and Paige at San Juan Oaks



Aravind and Kim at Willow Heights Mansion

Summer 2006 Weddings

There were so many great weddings this last summer we just couldn't choose one to showcase, so here are some highlights of our summer's weddings. We couldn't include everyone so don't feel left out if we didn't include you. Weddings are such a joy to photography, I always feel blessed to be a part of such a wonderful day.

Our schedule for 2007 weddings is filling up quickly so if you are getting married next year or know of anyone getting married please let us know as soon as possible.

Client Testimonials

"I would more than highly recommend my photographer Mark to any wedding couple. He was very customer service driven while at the wedding, and he is true an artist, not just a great photographer. He truly captured the entire wedding, people's laughs, minor details of the wedding... once again, I would highly recommend Mark.."

"Mark was such a pleasure to work with. He responded promptly to any and all questions/ concerns I had, worked with me on ideas for pictures as well as having plenty of his own

ideas to share with me. I never felt pressured to buy something or do something a certain way. On the day of my wedding, he took so many shots, but was never in the way. There was an abundance of candid shots that could not have been any more perfect. Mark has a great eye and I could not have asked for anything more in a photographer."

New Referral Program

We thank all of you for your wonderful support of our business and all of the referrals you send over to us. We are starting a brand new referral program to reward you for your referrals.

Any referral you send over to us that books a Family Portrait we will give you a \$50 studio credit.

For any wedding referral that books with us we will give you a \$200 studio credit.

"Stagi Photography captured the essence of our love for one another in a way that we have only felt before. Our pictures were incredible! Mark and his assistant were part of the wedding, rather than people photographing the wedding."



Shawn and Lori were married at the Testorossa Vineyards

COMING IN 2007

I love photographing babies. Not being a father yet, I only get to spend time with Babies when we are photographing them. It has always amazed me the sheer wonder that babies have in their eye's.

As all of you parents know your Children grow faster than you can keep up with. That's why having your babies pho-

tographed often is so important. The expressions they have at 3 months are so different from the expressions at 9 months. Capturing these



1. Also you will receive one free 8x10 print and other special rates with each shoot. Book your baby session by the end of the year and save an additional \$25

Holiday Gift Cards

Don't know what to get that hard to shop for family member for Christmas this year? Give them a Stagi Imagery giftcard. Everyone could use a Heirloom family por-

trait or a Children's session, so give them the unique gift of photography that they will be able to treasure forever. Also as an added bonus any gift cards ordered from now until December 15th you will receive 15% of the amount given on a gift card for yourself to use! Contact us at 408-323-8727 to order a gift card or to setup a session.

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The Importance of Family

Sometimes as a small business owner, I can get so caught up with my work. Days and weeks can all merge together and since I love what I do normally I end up working every day, all year long. It can be easy to get caught up with jobs and never take time off for yourself. Up until this summer I didn't take a real vacation for the last 3 years. This summer with the nudging from my wonderful wife, we took 2 weeks off to visit some family in Switzerland. Spending time with these family members, and the focus they put on family over there really made me realize the importance of spending quality time together.

Some of the family members we met didn't speak any English only Italian. I thought it would be very tough to communicate with them and some of the people were in their 60's to 80's so I didn't think visiting with them would be much fun. We originally were going to start the trip in Biasca, Switzerland where my family is from, and stay there 2-3 days. The rest of our trip we planned to visit Italy and France, but once we met all of

the family we stayed in Switzerland most of the trip. Once we arrived we were greeted by my Cousin Monica and her mother Soderia with warm hugs and a dinner waiting for us at Monica's house. Even though I have only met Monica once before about 10 years ago they treated us so well it felt like we had known each other our entire lives. Day after day a new set of relatives would meet us somewhere and take us out to dinner or have us

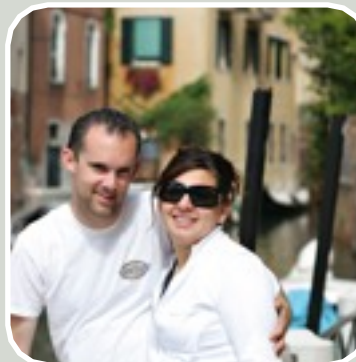
over to their house for dinner, each and every person with a huge smile and hugs and kisses for us all. The closeness that they all had with their families and how well they treated us was very inspiring to me. Some of our relatives are very distant cousins to me, yet they treated us like we were their own sons and daughters.

This life we live can be very crazy sometimes and living in a fast paced area like Silicon Valley we can easily get caught up in our work. I myself tend to be very selfish with my time, since I spend so much time working if I ever do have a few extra hours I sometimes want to spend them by myself. My family has been pretty used to me just popping in for a few

Try to make it a point in 2007 to take a vacation with your family. Work will always be there when you get back

minutes and then just as quick as I got there it is time to leave. But this life on earth is temporary, we never know how much time we have or our family members have on this earth so it should always be spent wisely.

We had such a wonderful trip filled with memories I could go on forever about it. But I just wanted to remind everyone how important your family really is, and how time with them can be priceless.



FALL FAMILY PORTRAITS

It is time again to start thinking about the Christmas season and there is no better time for a family portrait session. This year we will be bringing back our Family Portrait in the Park days at Vasona Park in Los Gatos.

There are 2 Saturdays that we are reserving for Family Portraits, November 18th and November 26th. With the leaves changing it is a perfect

Available Family Days

November 18th
November 26th
Vasona Park

background to get amazing portraits of your family. Also it's a great time to have photo's for your Christmas cards or for gifts.

Any portraits on these days will receive \$50 off the commission fee of \$200 and 24 complimentary wallet size images of your favorite photo. There are limited time-slots available so contact us right away to setup your session.

Coming up in 2007

There are many things coming up in 2007. For January we are offering specials on Children photography, for more information give us a call.

We are going to be focusing on couples portraits for February. Since it is the month of Love what a great time to get photo's of you and your swethart. Since we do a lot of weddings we also do a lot of Engagement photo's which are always a fun session. We focus on the connection between the couple, and always get amazing shots, but these types



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of images don't have to be only for engaged couples. Even if you have been married for 5 years or 50 years a portrait of you and your spouse can be a meaningful moment to capture. The session can be setup at your house, a local park, your favorite place to visit, San Francisco under the Golden Gate, there are endless possibilities in the Bay Area to capture images of you and your significant other.

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