



Spring Update

Parrots, Monkeys, and Hummingbirds

We've booked our flights and are ready to go to **Southern Costa Rica** in May. There are still openings if you'd like to join us.

The trip begins in San Jose, Costa Rica on May 15, 2009. We depart San Jose the next morning and fly to the remote Osa Peninsula. Our fabulous accommodations on the Pacific Ocean give us a private playground where we can photograph scarlet macaws, ornate hawk-eagle, three-toed sloth, three species of monkey, coati, and a wide variety of other wildlife.

From the Osa we head to another facility near the Panama border. Then up into the mountains for hummingbirds and the resplendent quetzal. Return on May 26th after the Memorial Day holiday.

Small group plus a donation to Houston Audubon for each person on the trip. All skill levels welcome. Fabulous trip for photographer/birdwatcher couples. \$4495 plus air from the U.S. All meals, lodging, transportation, and guide fees covered. [Send me a brochure.](#)

Strabo Tours for more information. **Safety and security of knowing there's a professional tour company behind all my international trips.**

Ecuador — Sept 3-14, 2009 We're ready to book flights on this trip as well. Seven people are signed up for stop-action hummingbird photography, colorful tropical birds, and incredible landscapes. Three lodges in different eco-systems plus hotels in Quito. 40-50 species of hummingbirds and lots of opportunities to photograph them. \$3495 plus air from the U. S. All meals, lodging, transportation, and guides covered in fee. Donation of Houston Audubon for each person [Send me a brochure](#)

Costa Rica — Hummingbirds, birds, and wildlife Nov 2-12, 2009. Led by Kathy Adams Clark and Costa Rican naturalist, Willy Alfaro. Four eco-lodges in different regions. Easy, comfortable, relaxing, but such great shooting! Good first trip to the tropics or to learn bird photography. **Cost \$2995 for 7 days or \$3790 for 10 days.** All meals, lodging, transportation, and guides covered in fee. Air fare not included. [Send me information](#)

Other Happenings

I'll give a program on High-Dynamic Range and Panoramic photography, **Houston Audubon Nature Photography Association**, April 15th at 7:00 p.m. Open to the public. \$5 at the door. [HANPA](#)

North American Nature Photography Association Regional Event in Fredericksburg, Texas, April 16-19th. Lots of fun shooting! I'm one of the leaders so let's go shooting. [NANPA](#)

NANPA Road Shows are educational events scattered around the country. Spend the weekend with some of the best teachers learning lots of photo skills. Sacramento, May 15-17; Providence RI, June 26-28; Minneapolis, Aug 7-9 [NANPA](#)

I'm leading workshops at **Florida's Birding and Photofest**, April 22-26th. Photography at Night, Painting with Light, and much more. Variety of seminars by Rob Sheppard, Kevin Karison, John Moran, Lewis Kemper and others. [More Information](#)

Leisure Learning Photography Classes

Leisure Learning classes are held at 2990 Richmond Avenue, Houston. Advance registration is required. Snack bar in the basement offering coffee, soda, hamburgers, and sandwiches.

- * **Digital SLR** — May 13 — menus, camera settings, workflow
- * **Photography at Night** — April 30, May 28, June 9 — different location each class.
- * **Flash Photography** — June 2 — bring your camera, flash and tripod. This a hands-on class.
- * **Basic Photography** — May 9, June 20
- * **Landscape Photography** — April 14
- * **Garden Photography** — April 7

Leisure Learning

Cool Products & Things in the News



Gary and I will sign copies of our new book **Backroads of the Texas Hill Country** at the following:

- [Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center](#) Austin April 11 1:00 p.m.

Enjoying Big Bend National Park by Gary Clark with Photography by Kathy Adams Clark is now in bookstores and on Amazon.com.

Book signings — Austin Arboretum Barnes & Noble, April 11th [Send information](#)

[The Scenic Store](#) now carries posters and fine art prints of my photographs and the wonderful photography of the photographers I represent. Enter Kathy Adams Clark, Larry Ditto, Adam Gibbs, Rick & Nora Bowers or Kevin Adams in the search engine. Images are added regularly so visit in a month or so.

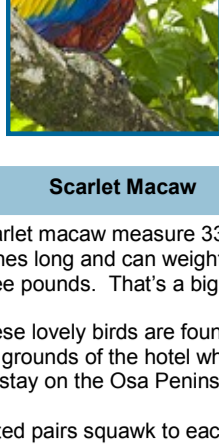
My website (www.kathyadamsclark.com) was revamped by Kallisto Designs. Contact Kalli do give your site a make-over. [Kallisto Designs](#)

[Gura Gear](#) makes a great camera bag. You'll see me carrying one the next time our paths cross in the field. Take a look at these great bags and tell them I sent you.

[My Blog](#) — Photography how-to and daily (well almost daily) updates on topics of interest.



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Scarlet Macaw

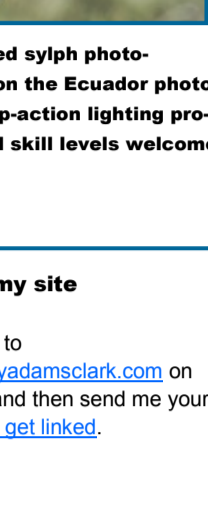
Scarlet macaw measure 33-35 inches long and can weight up to three pounds. That's a big bird!

These lovely birds are found on the grounds of the hotel where we stay on the Osa Peninsula.

Mated pairs squawk to each other as they fly above the tree tops. Then they land in a fruit or flower tree and start feeding.

That's when the photography energy starts flowing. Macaws are pretty tolerant of people but we still have to move slowly and try not to spook the birds.

I got this shot with my 500mm lens but others in the group got equally good images with 300mm lenses.



Squirrel monkey photographed on the Osa Peninsula in Costa Rica. Three species of monkey plus other mammals live on the grounds of our hotel.



Long-tailed sylph photographed on the Ecuador photo tour. Stop-action lighting provided. All skill levels welcome.

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