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Karen Hocker: How To Take Better Pictures Of Our Pets

Back by popular demand! We are very excited to present photographer Karen Hocker on Tuesday, March 18. Many of you are familiar with Karen's work and have seen her with her Goldens. Join us for an evening to learn how to take better pictures of our pets.

Karen founded Karen Hocker Photography in 2001, joining her lifelong love of animals with photography. Since then she's photographed hundreds of dogs in a variety of situations, ranging from dogs sitting for portraits to speeding through the agility course. Karen has photographed a number of different types of events and has been published in several books and magazines.

Karen uses a full range of photographic techniques and formats, depending on the needs of her clients. While she has transitioned to the digital format for event photography (agility, field, etc.), she still uses a combination of conventional 35mm and digital for her portrait work.

Before beginning her photography business, Karen worked as a dog trainer, helping pet owners teach their pets the basics of good canine behavior — a skill that comes in handy during photo sessions! She's also successfully trained her own dogs — Dieffenbaker, Alle, Nikon, Flyte, and Snap — good behavior, agility and field work. Nikon competes in agility and hunt tests, working on titles in each.

FMI: visit Karen's web site at www.karenhocker.com