

EXPLORING THE BASQUE COUNTRY
A PHOTOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP
Kukua Tours



JUNE 9-17, 2017
&
SEPTEMBER 1st - 9th, 2017
with Photographer Joanna B. Pinneo and
Basque tour guide Mikel Erkiaga

Limited to 10 Photographers

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Joanna B. Pinneo Photography Workshops

The Basque Country is a stunning land of variety and contrast. When you visit the Basque country you have entered a world of contrasts with some of the world's finest food, unique festivals and ancient culture. With cameras in hand we will travel through lush green landscapes of rolling hills to explore villages and traditional Basque sports and festivals. Combine this with a boat ride down the Urdaibai estuary with one of the most richly diverse landscapes in the Basque country, a visit to the sophisticated city of San Sebastian known for its cuisine and sunsets on the coast. Through photography and expert instruction we will explore the beauty and diversity of the Basque country in northern Spain and southwest France.



One notable fact is that the Basque's ancestral language, Euskera, is the only pre-Indo-European language in Europe that has survived to our times. This is the land of an ancient culture where ancestral traditions concerning religion, work, sports and Basque mythology have been maintained.

<http://www.everyculture.com/wc/Rwanda-to-Syria/Basques.html>



Creative Discovery

Our photography workshops are designed for photography enthusiasts and semi-pro photographers who are interested in improving their digital photography skills and enjoy exploring new places. Limited to 10 people, photographer Joanna Pinneo has joined with Kukua Tours founder and Basque expert Mikel Erkiaga to lead this exclusive 8-day photographic workshop.

We offer students the chance to spend eight days exploring a beautiful part of the world focusing on capturing their experience through their love of photography. During this time Joanna will spend time with students each day talking about an aspect of photography. We include hands-on teaching and photographing on location. With a small group Joanna will have time for a one-on-one teaching throughout. It will be a time of discovery, developing a personal style, telling a visual story about our travels and learning about the culture, variety and beauty of the Basque Country. Joanna will be there to encourage and motivate you as you grow as a photographer.

This unique one week Photography Workshop is a chance for photographers to enhance their photography skills as well as learn the many aspects of great travel documentary photography with visual guidance and tips from Joanna. The trips highlights are many ... from visiting the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Bizkaia Hanging Bridge, and the medieval town of Oiñati, to mention just a few.



About Mikel:

Mikel is one of the best guides I have ever worked with! Mikel was my guide for the article on the Basque Country for National Geographic Magazine I photographed. **I believe he knows every rock and tree in the country!** I was able to see the Basque Country as no tourist can.

What to bring:

- ◆ A DSLR or mirror-less digital camera that you can set on manual
- ◆ Several lenses of your choice. We suggest a wide, medium and longer telephoto – or comparable zoom lenses. A flash could be useful.
- ◆ A tripod
- ◆ A laptop computer
- ◆ Software to organize and edit images (we use Adobe Light room)

DATES & PRICES for the Photography Workshops 2017:

All Prices are in EUROS. Payable through PayPal at info@kukuatours.com

Sign up at: [Registration form](#) for Joanna B. Pinneo Photography Workshops.

SUMMER Travel Photography Workshop:

Friday, JUNE 9th – Saturday, JUNE 17th, 2017.

DEADLINE to Register is APRIL 1st, 2017.

Double room: €2,700 (euros) / Single room: €2,950 (euros)

Deposit: €500 (euros) non-refundable.

(Your deposit will be refunded if not enough people sign up)

See SUMMER 2017 ITINERARY

FALL Travel Photography Workshop:

Saturday, SEPTEMBER 1st – Sunday, SEPTEMBER 9th, 2017

DEADLINE to Register is May 1st, 2017.

See above prices.

See FALL 2017 ITINERARY

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- ◆ Eight nights hotel with breakfast.
- ◆ Expert Instruction by photographer, Joanna, including small group instruction & plenty of one-on-one time & critique sessions.
- ◆ Expert Basque guide Mikel Erkiaga throughout the entire trip.
- ◆ Travel and Instructional Materials during the trip.
- ◆ Arrival day Transfer to the Hotel.
- ◆ All ground transportation during the workshop.
- ◆ Admissions for all included sight seeing and events.
- ◆ Taxes and fees.
- ◆ One lunch or one dinner everyday.

Everyone will be met at the Airport in Bilbao on June 9 & September 1st, 2017.

For those with other travel plans, we will all meet up at the Hotel (TBA) for 5pm cocktails.

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED:

- ◆ Airfare or any other transportation to the workshop place.
- ◆ Travel insurance.
- ◆ Tips and Gratuities.
- ◆ Departure day Transfer.
- ◆ Any meals on your own and not with the group



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To Reserve a Spot: for The Basque Country Photography Tour, please go online to secure your space and sign up at www.kukuatours.com > [Photo Workshops](#)
Deposits & final payment can be made on **PayPal** at info@kukuatours.com or mikelerkiaga@yahoo.es

Space is limited to a maximum of 10 Photographers and is filled on a first-come-first-served basis. Once signed up and your deposit is paid & cleared you will be notified via email and any further details or up-dates will be sent to you directly via email.

- Any itinerary or financial questions please contact Mikel Erkiaga at info@kukuatours.com
- Any Photography related questions please contact Joanna directly at jpinneo@mac.com.



About Joanna

Joanna Pinneo has photographed unforgettable moments for numerous magazines and books for more than 30 years. Her photograph of a child sleeping with its mother in Mali, West Africa is included in the 50 Greatest Photographs of the National Geographic Society. Described as sensitive, intuitive and present, Pinneo's strength is in photographing the intimate details of daily life.



"Essentially what photography is life lit up." Sam Abell

Joanna has been published in National Geographic Magazine, National Geographic Traveler, Geo, Stern, American Photo, New York Times, Time, LIFE, among others. Book collections include *Women In the Material World*, *Proud Nations* and *America At Home*. Her image graced the cover of *Women Photographers At National Geographic*.

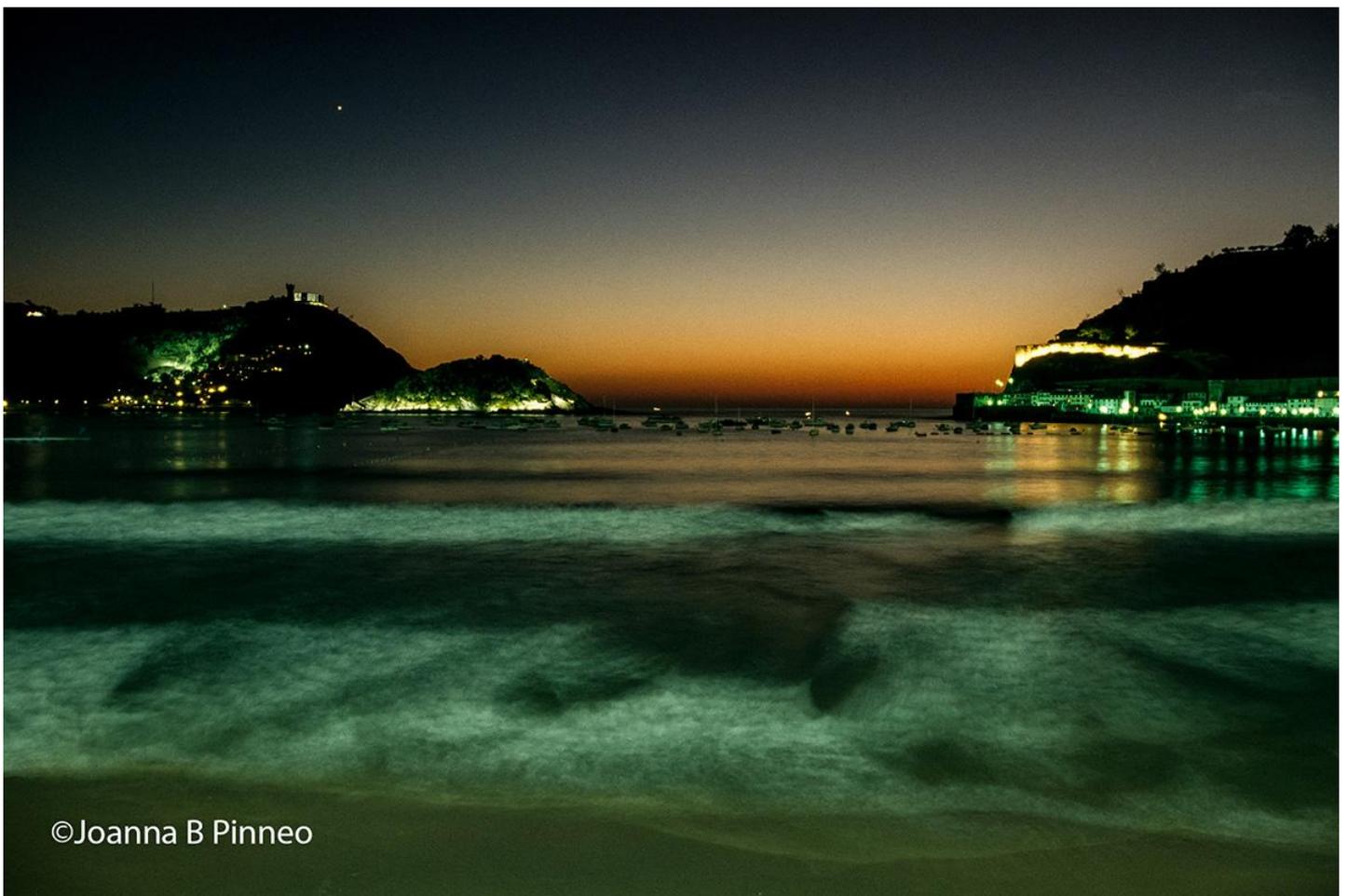
www.joannabpinneophoto.com



"It's one thing to make a picture of what a person looks like, it's another thing to make a portrait of who they are." Paul Caponigro

"Joanna taught me to be aware of everything that moves in and out of the frame and to be careful not to leave out information that gives the visual story the true essence of believability. I have since taken the lessons that you taught me and have applied them to how I work."

Rick L, Visual Storytelling Workshop



"Photography for me is not looking, it's feeling. If you can't feel what you're looking at, then you're never going to get others to feel anything when they look at your pictures."
Don McCullin

Expect the Unexpected

Joanna has done numerous photography workshops, including many keynote speaking engagements. Working with National Geographic Magazine and others she has worked in 66 countries.

"Joanna taught me everything from interpreting different lighting situations, to composing meaningful images, to seeing beauty in the ordinary moments. Her life experience and adventurous stories added a tremendous amount of depth to my photography education. While incredibly knowledgeable, Joanna is also superbly approachable, which are two traits that are essential in a great teacher."

Bhumi D, Photographing People Workshop



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Come and celebrate with us!

A Photography Trip of a Lifetime! Not to be missed.

DEADLINE to Register for Summer session is March 1st, 2017.

DEADLINE to Register for Fall session is May 1st, 2017.

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