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Nationally Recognized Local Photographer John Guider to Speak at Brentwood Camera Club

Brentwood, TN Sept. 30, 2008 – John Guider, the nationally recognized local photographer, will be speaking to Brentwood Camera Club members on October 7th at the Otter Creek church. The public is invited to attend this free lecture and presentation at 6:30 p.m.

In the midst of an award-winning commercial photography career, Mr. Guider bought a canoe and set off on a solitary, artistic adventure that led him from the creek behind his farmhouse to the Harpeth, the Cumberland, the Ohio, and eventually the Mississippi River, all the way down to New Orleans. Three months later he returned with over two thousand photographs that would depict the wildness of nature and the poignant stories of the people he encountered. What resulted was a book and exhibit, *The River Inside*, a stunning visual narrative of the resonance between the life-sustaining water sources and human beings.

Of additional interest, is the photographic printing process he used. Mr. Guider spent an entire year learning the almost-lost artistic discipline of Platinum printing, an early photographic medium favored by masters like Alfred Stieglitz, Edward Steichen and Paul Strand for its extended tonal values.

Jerry Atnip, President of the Brentwood Camera Club anticipates that, “This lecture promises to be a tour-de-force of artistic vision and commitment. In a time when digital technology and convenience dominate the photographic landscape, John got his feet wet and hands dirty to create something extraordinarily special. Learning from his experiences will be priceless.”

The Brentwood Camera Club of Tennessee (BCC) is a non-profit organization of over 300 beginning, amateur and professional photographers. The Club serves its members and community through education, photographic exhibitions and an exchange of knowledge, experience and love of photography. The Brentwood Camera Club is an integral part of the community utilizing its outreach program to provide valuable photographic services and expertise to non-profit organizations and events. Founded in 1998, the BCC is one of the nation’s largest community-based photography clubs and meets the first Tuesday of the month at Otter Creek church, 409 Franklin Road in Brentwood.