

Northern Lights - A Photography Expedition

with *Barbara Eddy*
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March 14 - 19, 2026 6 days/7 nights - Limited to 6 Participants

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Northern Lights Photo Expedition in Fairbanks, Alaska

The aurora borealis, or northern lights, is truly one of nature's most spectacular phenomena, one that has fascinated people for centuries. Native Americans believed them to be the luminous spirits of the dead but my favorite folk tale is from Finland where people said the aurora was sparks from the mythical Firefox's tail. Science tells us the aurora is the result of the solar wind entering the earth's atmosphere above the magnetic poles and reacting to gases high above the earth. Mystical or scientific explanations aside, this is one natural wonder not to miss.

The shifting action and color of the aurora borealis can be mesmerizing. Photographing the lights can be challenging and if you don't use the proper techniques, the results can be disappointing. On this trip I will teach you how to capture all the action. Perhaps like me, you'll get hooked on this amazing spectacle.

From my prior experience, this trip is scheduled at the prime time for auroral activity. Since 2013, I have scouted locations in Central Alaska for superb photography of the oscillating bands of green, red and yellow. Our destination is one of the best areas in North America for aurora watching and despite typical winter weather, the trip length should be sufficient to allow at least a few opportunities to find clear skies. Each night we'll visit different areas in search of good foregrounds for the auroral light show. The small group size ensures I will be on hand to teach you the special techniques for great photographs.

The trip is timed to coincide with ***The World Ice Art Championships***. We'll have the opportunity to photograph these unique carvings. Even if the weather hampers aurora viewing, we will still come away with dozens of unique photos. I have other daylight activities planned if the nights are cloudy.

I hope you can join me on this expedition. You can see many of my images on both my website www.barbaraeddyphotography.com and in posts on my informational Facebook page. To view, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/BarbaraEddyNaturePhotographyWorkshops/>



This expedition will be based in a Fairbanks hotel with nightly excursions to photograph the northern lights. Each night, weather dependent, we will travel some distance from town to find dark skies unhampered by light pollution from the city lights. Travel time will vary depending on chosen location, determined by conditions.

We will spend at least one afternoon and one evening photographing the fabulous ice art and possibly one day at the Chena Hot Springs resort if there is interest in this activity. Night sky photography is our priority.

Where: Fairbanks, Alaska

Arrival Point: Fairbanks International Airport

Starting: March 14 - Introductory meeting.

When: March 14-19 - arriving on March 13th

Ending: March 19 (early morning March 20) weather dependent

Days of tour: 6 days/6 nights

Maximum Number of Photographers: 6

Days including travel days: 8 days / 7 nights

Price: \$3655

Fitness and Health - Physical Level - EASY

Special Considerations - Night shooting - Winter conditions - Deviation from normal sleep patterns.

Packing List - Recommended camera equipment and clothing list will be sent upon receipt of deposit.

This year we will have the opportunity to photograph the dog sled racing. The Limited North American Championships will be taking place the first two days of our workshop. We will spend some time at the sled racing which is fun to watch and a little challenging to photograph.



For anyone interested, we can arrange a hands-on dog sledding outing. This will be an optional event and I can get details on pricing and help make arrangements for those interested.

It is a fun week of photography and spending time with like-minded people.

I hope you can join me.



What is included:

Hotel Room - 7 nights with 7 breakfasts
Intensive Photo Instruction in field from Barbara
Classroom presentation if requested

Transportation to and from
photography locations
World Ice Art entrance fee x2
One Lunch or Dinner

What is NOT included:

Lunch and Dinner
Transportation to and from Fairbanks
Items of a personal nature

To Enroll:

Please email contact@barbaraeddyphotography.com to check availability. A deposit of \$1500 is required to secure your enrollment. Balance of \$2155 is due on December 15, 2025 or you can full payment at time of enrollment.

Make Check out to:

Barbara Eddy and mail to:

Barbara Eddy - PO Box 575 - Ronan MT 59864

Cancellation Policy:

If you must cancel, please give notification as soon as possible. I will make every attempt to fill your spot.

- For cancellations more than **121 days from departure**, we will refund your deposit minus a \$500 cancellation fee once we fill the vacancy. If we are unable to fill the vacancy, your cancellation fee of \$500 will be forfeited or applied to another workshop conducted within the next calendar year.
- If you must cancel between **91 to 120 days prior to departure**, a \$700 cancellation fee will be assessed plus any funds paid by Barbara Eddy Photography to suppliers that are non-refundable. If we can refill your space on short notice the non-refundable supplier fees will be returned to you. The \$700 cancellation fee can be applied to a future workshop conducted within 365 days of the cancellation date.
- Unfortunately, within **90 days of departure**, no refunds can be given. If we are able to fill the vacancy, your payment minus the \$700 cancellation fee can be applied to a future workshop conducted within 365 days of the cancellation date.
- We strongly recommend that all participants purchase [Travel Insurance](#) to cover any non-refundable deposits and workshop fees.

Additional Items:

- Any non-refundable fees paid to a third party in connection with your tour cannot be refunded.
- Barbara Eddy Photography cannot offer partial refunds for unused services. If you have to cut your trip short, no refunds can be given.
- If you are not present at the time of trip departure, we will try our best to contact you. We cannot offer any refunds for no-shows.

Trip Insurance:

For complete peace of mind, we strongly recommend that you purchase [Travel Insurance](#) to protect yourself against cancellation penalties and travel costs. We understand that life happens. If you must cancel a reservation, please notify contact@barbaraeddyphotography.com as soon as possible. All cancellations must be requested via email and we will try our best to accommodate. [Travel Insurance](#) should cover any non-refundable fees and travel expenses. We will make every attempt to fill your spot.

Thank you for your interest in my photography expeditions. Any questions please email me at contact@barbaraeddyphotography.com

Warm Wishes,
Barbara

