

## *Emerald Isle Photographer Ellen LeRoy Honored at Professional Photographers of North Carolina (PPNC) Convention*

Emerald Isle, NC – Sunday, June 25, 2006 -- Ellen LeRoy of Emerald Isle received multiple awards during the annual PPNC Convention held March 5<sup>th</sup> in Raleigh, NC to include three Court of Honor ribbons, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Albums competition, 4<sup>th</sup> place in the Animals and Pets competition and top honors from the Kodak Corporation.

"Island Wedding," which received 2<sup>nd</sup> place honors as an outstanding album creation, won special recognition and was awarded the Kodak Gallery Award for best wedding album entry as judged by a special panel from the Kodak Corporation. In 2005, Ellen LeRoy received the Kodak Gallery Award for a wedding candid titled "Let the Games Begin." This photograph also won first place in the PPNC 2005 Wedding competition. The Kodak Corporation annually recognizes photographers whose creations are at the highest level of their craft and to support the field of professional photography.

Three of Ellen's entries received Court of Honor ribbons and were displayed during the annual convention. "Blue Collar Dog" took 4<sup>th</sup> place in the Animals and Pets division.

Over 450 prints from North Carolina professional photographers were submitted for competition and judged by a panel of eight nationally recognized photographers. The Professional Photographers of North Carolina (PPNC) is one of the nation's largest associations of professional photographers. PPNC is affiliated with Professional Photographers of America (PPA) and Southeastern Professional Photographers (SEPPA).

During the 2005 PPNC competition, Ellen's first professional competition, she was awarded the Kodak Gallery Award for the best image in the wedding category, four Court of Honors ribbons and the prestigious President's Award, given annually to the highest scoring first-time entrant in print competition.

This year's winning creations and Ellen's library of fine art photography can be viewed at [www.EllenLeRoyPhotography.com](http://www.EllenLeRoyPhotography.com).

Ellen LeRoy specializes in the art of island and beach photography in Coastal North Carolina. In addition to award winning, Ellen's photography has been featured on the covers of magazines and newspapers. To learn more, visit [www.EllenLeroyPhotography.com](http://www.EllenLeroyPhotography.com).

