



The International Leica Society

46th Annual Meeting

Dearborn, MI · Oct. 8-12, 2014



LHSA REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 30

Dearborn Inn room reservations should be made by September 17 to receive the preferred group rate. Thank you!

Join the LHSA in Dearborn! Dearborn is within a half day's drive from cities in the Midwest such as Chicago, Milwaukee, Cleveland, Columbus, and Indianapolis. The Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) is approximately 12 miles southwest of Dearborn - about a 20 minute drive from the LHSA headquarters hotel.

Detroit Airport website: www.metroairport.com. The airport is a major hub for Delta Airlines and serves other major airlines. Phone: (734) 247-7678.

Ground Transportation: Taxis are an estimated \$25 one way or call Metro Cars (800) 456-1701 (estimated \$38 one way).

LHSA Headquarters Hotel:

Dearborn Inn

20301 Oakwood Blvd. | Dearborn, MI 48124
(313) 271-2700

The Dearborn Inn, a Marriott Hotel, was built on the grounds of Ford Motor Company in 1931. The award-winning inn has beautiful guest rooms and suites with modern yet Colonial décor. The Dearborn Inn received Trip Advisor's Certificate of Excellence for 2014. Two excellent on-site restaurants serve classic American cuisine. The hotel is situated on 23 acres not far from the Henry Ford Museum complex. Internet service in the public areas is complimentary. There is no charge for self parking. Valet parking is \$12/day.

The hotel does not provide an airport shuttle; however, a shuttle van will take guests to destinations within a few miles.



LHSA HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The special rate for the LHSA meeting is \$130 per night plus hotel tax. Reservations should be made by September 17 to receive this excellent rate!

Call (313) 271-2700 and ask for the LHSA Room block.

LHSA PROGRAM, WORKSHOPS, AND SPEAKERS



LHSA KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Larry Towell, Magnum photographer *Saturday, October 11, 11:00 AM -12:15 PM*

Larry Towell's business card reads 'Human Being.' Experience as a poet and a folk musician has done much to shape his personal style. The son of a car repairman, Towell grew up in a large family in rural Ontario. During studies in visual arts at Toronto's York University, he was given a camera and taught how to process black and white film.

A stint of volunteer work in Calcutta in 1976 provoked Towell to photograph and write. Back in Canada, he taught folk music to support himself and his family. In 1984 he became a freelance photographer and writer focusing on the dispossessed, exile and peasant rebellion. He completed projects on the Nicaraguan Contra war, on the relatives of the disappeared in

Guatemala, and on American Vietnam War veterans who had returned to Vietnam to rebuild the country. His first published magazine essay, 'Paradise Lost,' exposed the ecological consequences of the catastrophic Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska's Prince William Sound. He became a Magnum nominee in 1988 and a full member in 1993.

In 1996, Towell completed a project based on ten years of reportage in El Salvador, followed the next year by a major book on the Palestinians. His fascination with landlessness also led him to the Mennonite migrant workers of Mexico, an eleven-year project completed in 2000. With the help of the inaugural Henri Cartier-Bresson Award, he finished a second highly acclaimed book on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict in 2005, and in 2008 released the award-winning *The World from My Front Porch*, a project on his own family in rural Ontario where he sharecrops a 75-acre farm.



"A Morning with Craig Semetko" - Friday 10:00 AM-Noon \$50

LHSA favorite and Detroit native Craig Semetko will be attending his second LHSA meeting in five years to share the inspirational story of how his work came to be exhibited alongside Henri Cartier-Bresson. Craig's first book, *Unposed*, was produced by legendary publisher teNeues. His latest book, *India Unposed*, was featured in shows at the Leica Gallery in Los Angeles and Frankfurt, as well as the 10X10 exhibition during the Leica Centennial celebration in Wetzlar. His work is currently on display at the Leica Store in Miami. Anyone who has spent time with Craig or attended one of his lectures will tell you it's an inspiring, thought-provoking, and always entertaining, experience, not to be missed!



“Travel with the Leica T”

Tom A. Smith, Manager, Leica Akademie North America

Discover the story of the Leica T in this three-hour, hands on shooting experience with Tom Smith of the Leica Akademie. Tom will share his personal experience using the camera during his travels as an instructor. Participants will learn the technical details of Leica’s newest system and receive recommendations on using the system in the field. Each participant will have the opportunity to “test drive” the Leica T. Class size is limited to 15. Offered on **Thursday (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM) or Friday (2:00-5:00 PM)**. Current owners of the Leica T are welcome. \$50.

Tom Smith is on a mission to bring the experience of shooting with a Leica rangefinder to a new generation of photographers. In his experience teaching and training with the Disney Institute and Nikon USA, Tom has worked with some of the most respected photographers in the industry. He has developed a reputation for engaging an audience and presenting complicated technical information in a simple manner. Since leading the debut of the Leica Akademie N.A. in 2009, Tom has led workshop experiences for more than 3,000 photographers of all levels.

“GOLDEN AGE OF LEICA” CONTEST WITH JIM LAGER

This contest was a big success at the San Francisco meeting in the fall of 2013. Jim will moderate the presentations to determine who brings the most unique Leica. Bring your entry!
Saturday morning, 9:45-10:45 AM

ENTER THE LHSA PHOTO CONTEST!

Entries should be submitted via email no later than August 30, 2014. See the LHSA website for details. The five top images will be displayed at the Annual Meeting banquet.

On Saturday afternoon, the LHSA will also offer several discussion groups such as:

- Silver gelatin prints from digital printers
- Vintage accessories & literature (bring yours!)
- Current Leica product offerings
- ... and more!

“50MM SHOOTOUT” WITH BILL ROSAUER

Bill will host a comparison of 50mm lenses to see which one is the “bokeh king.” Bring your 50mm lens!

TRADE FAIR/WELCOME PARTY

This year the Trade Fair will be held on Thursday evening in the same ballroom as the LHSA Welcome Party. Exhibitors will set up at 5:30 p.m., then the combined Trade Fair and party will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The party will have a cash bar and complimentary hors d’oeuvres. Members are encouraged to bring photography-related items to sell. Please refer to the enclosed registration form to sign up for the party and to reserve tables (if you plan to sell items).

SUNDAY FAREWELL BREAKFAST

Join the LHSA officers and Board of Directors for a breakfast buffet before departing the hotel.

Sunday morning, 8:30-10:00 AM

SIGN UP FOR EVENTS VIA THE REGISTRATION FORM

AREA ATTRACTIONS

FORD MUSEUM & GREENFIELD VILLAGE

The two most popular destinations in the Dearborn area are the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. The complex is located less than a mile from the Dearborn Inn. The LHSA will provide a continuous shuttle between the hours of 9:30 AM and 4:30 PM on both Thursday and Friday for the convenience of members.

Advance Ticket Purchase: The LHSA receives a preferred ticket price if you wish to purchase tickets in advance. See the enclosed registration form to order.

Combo Ticket (Henry Ford/Greenfield Village)

Adult (ages 18-61): \$30.50

Senior (62 and over): \$27.00

Transportation Pass for Greenfield Village (recommended): \$12.50

Tickets are valid for one entry to both the Ford Museum and Greenfield Village.

Note: A membership to the Henry Ford is available for \$42.00 and is a good value if you will be visiting the venues more than once.



Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

Spouse Activity - EDSEL & ELEANOR FORD HOUSE

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House tells the story of the home life of Henry Ford’s son, Edsel, his wife Eleanor, and their four children. The Fords were social and economic leaders in an era of great optimism. The Michigan house known locally as Gaukler Pointe was considered their main residence. The impressive but unpretentious home reflects their love of family and their passion for the arts and quality design. \$65 per person includes a group tour, lunch and transportation.

Saturday, October 11- 9:30 AM-2:00 PM

FORD ROUGE FACTORY TOUR

The Ford factory tour may be limited during the time the LHSA is in Dearborn so we are not selling tickets in advance. If the factory tours are operating during the meeting, you can easily purchase a ticket at the Ford Museum and take the factory bus from there.