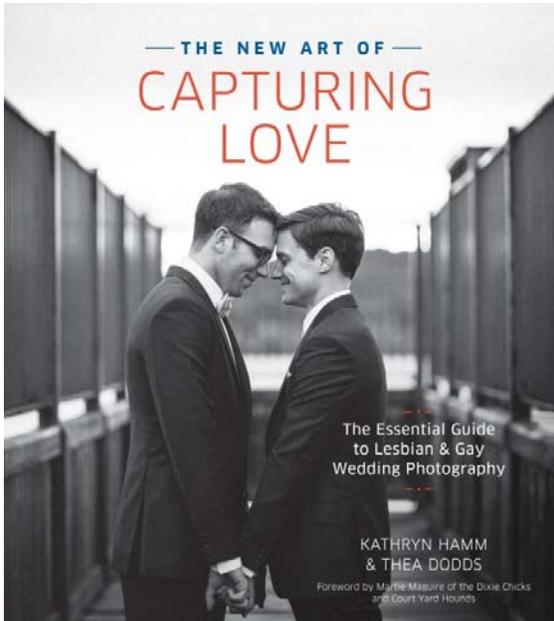




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The New Art of Capturing Love

The Essential Guide to Lesbian and Gay Wedding Photography

by Kathryn Hamm and Thea Dodds
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The first guide to posing and thoughtfully capturing same-sex engagements and weddings, **THE NEW ART OF CAPTURING LOVE (Amphoto Books, \$24.99, on-sale 5/6/2014)** equips all photographers to better serve the LGBTQ client while also providing a wedding-planning vision for couples.

With nearly half of the states in the US (and 13 countries) currently recognizing same-sex marriage or civil unions, the market for LGBTQ weddings is one of the fastest growing segments in the wedding industry, offering great opportunity for today's wedding photographers. These are exciting times for marriage equality—but capturing portraits in this new market requires a new approach to posing, which until now has been almost exclusively oriented toward pairing a larger man in black with a smaller woman in white. What works for Jack and Jill won't necessarily work for Jack and Michael, let alone Jill and Louise. **THE NEW ART OF CAPTURING LOVE** shatters the "old standards" of wedding and engagement photography by showing how inappropriate old standards can be for today's diverse couples, then shares easy-to-implement poses and techniques that can be applied to any couple (and wedding party), no matter their orientation, to create lasting memories.

Featuring a collection of more than 180 same-sex portraits of 72 couples from 48 photographers, this guide is proudly the first—and most comprehensive—of its kind. Whether you are a wedding photographer looking to enter this burgeoning market, or a same-sex couple looking for visual inspiration, these gorgeous images will both instruct and inspire.

This groundbreaking visual guide book is perfect for:

- Couples planning their weddings and engagement sessions
- Photographers interested in branching out to a rapidly-growing new market
- LGBTQ-supportive friends and family, especially those looking for a meaningful shower or wedding gift

AUTHORS ARE GO-TO EXPERTS: Same-sex wedding pioneer Kathryn Hamm and veteran wedding photographer Thea Dodds are the leading experts for same-sex weddings and wedding photography, respectively. Their expertise has been featured in *The New York Times*, *ABC News*, *CNN*, *Rangefinder* and on NPR.

GROUNDBREAKING IMAGES: This groundbreaking guide features a collection of same-sex portraits that was called "the best I've ever seen" by *Professional Photographer* senior editor Joan Sherwood.

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