## Master Photographer Lee Varis gives Maine Media Workshop: Portrait Photography: Beyond Skin Deep

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**July 4, 2010** - <u>*PRLog*</u> -- Los Angeles, CA--Retouching Skin Revealed at Maine Media Workshop: "Portrait Photography: Beyond Skin Deep" Presented by Master Photographer and Best-selling Author: Lee Varis

The art of digital skin retouching will be illuminated at a special week-long portrait photography workshop taught by Lee Varis. With 35 years of professional experience in the advertising and entertainment industry, master photographer Lee Varis will reveal a complete system of Hollywood-style portrait photography based on material from the newly released 2nd edition of his best-selling book "Skin: the Complete Guide to Digitally Lighting, Photographing and Retouching Faces and Bodies." The class will be held August 22nd through August 28th at Maine Media College in Rockport, Maine.

Lee will lead students through a digital production workflow dedicated to getting peak results for portrait photography. In the studio, on location, working in camera and in the lab, this 7-day workshop will explore detailed techniques and professional photography tips for creating beautiful, high-quality portraits.

Students will photograph models as well as fellow students in a studio setting or outdoor locations to develop visual fluency. By week's end, students will have developed a personal vision and produce the beginning of a professional portfolio. Study materials will be provided for further skill development in portraiture and digital retouching beyond the workshop.

Portrait photography from pre production calibration to post production magic will be fully explored. Skills to be covered include: calibrating for best skin tones in digital capture using Lightroom and Adobe Camera Raw, natural and artificial lighting techniques for studio and location shoots, post production techniques for image enhancement, digital skin retouching tips and secrets and fine art portfolio printing for portraits, leaving students with all of the techniques they need to create stunning professional portraits.

Rick Sammon, fellow expert professional photographer says of Varis, "Lee will take you on a complete journey into the magical world of digital imaging. In a nutshell, you will learn digital imaging from start to finish – from one of the best of the best...I learned more than a few tips and tricks from Lee...he is all about sharing and teaching. Plus, he is one heck of nice guy, which you will experience firsthand if you ever attend one of his workshops or seminars"

Varis's work has been featured on movie posters, video box covers, CD covers, and numerous brochures, catalogs and magazine articles. Lee's creative imaging has been featured in National Geographic and Fortune magazines as well as numerous trade publications including: Photo-Electronic Imaging, Studio Photography, PC Photo, Rangefinder Magazine, Photo District News and Mac Art & Design.

He has conducted a nationwide series of imaging seminars for Apple Computers and currently offers seminar programs with PPA, APA and Julia Dean Photographic Workshops as well as a monthly "Photoshop for Photographers" workshop in Los Angeles. He maintains close relationships with numerous hardware and software companies and is involved in beta testing programs.

Lee's expertise will take future professional photographers into new territory and lay retouching skin and

photography foundational skills essential to artisan-level portrait creation. The workshop is limited to 15 students–early registration is recommended. Tuition is \$1050.

## Register: http://www.varis.com/maine-media-workshop.html

Mr. Varis's skin retouching techniques, illustrated by his high-resolution images, speak louder than any words. A generous cache of free tutorials on digital photo mastery can also be found at: Varis Photo Media: www.varis.com

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About Lee Varis- and Varis Photomedia

Lee is a photo-illustrator working in Hollywood. He has been involved in commercial photography for the last 30 years. He started working with computer imaging about 20 years ago after being introduced to the Quantel Paintbox system. Lee currently works with digital as well as conventional photography in conjunction with computer graphics to create images for use in advertising, commercial graphics and multimedia. His work has been featured on movie posters, video box covers, CD covers, and numerous brochures, catalogs and magazine articles. Lee's creative imaging has been featured in National Geographic and Fortune magazines as well as numerous trade publications including: Photo-Electronic Imaging, Studio Photography, PC Photo, Rangefinder Magazine, Photo District News and Mac Art & Design.

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