

# About

**David Royal** is a freelance photographer based on the Monterey Bay in California. A photojournalist with a base in art photography, he loves using his camera as a tool to meet people and discover new worlds around him. He holds a bachelors degree in Environmental Studies from UCSC and a masters degree in Mass Communication/ Photojournalism from San Jose State University. A native of Santa Cruz he previously worked 11 years an ocean lifeguard.

A staff photographer with the Monterey County Herald since 2003, David has also worked for major news outlets such as the Associated Press, Reuters, The New York Times and The Los Angeles Times. Other clients include Ace Hardware, Comcast, Anheuser-Busch, General Motors, Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and The Monterey Bay Aquarium. He has also covered over 100 photojournalistic style weddings.