

Biography John Wilhelm is a photoholic

- Loc. of birth: Winterthur Switzerland
- Date of birth: August 21st 1970
- Marital status: Cohabitation with mother of his 3 children (all girls)

Main career:

- 1977-1986 Basic school
- 1986-1990 Apprenticeship to Radio- and TV-Electrician
- 1991-1994 Studies of electrical engineering, Polytechnic Winterthur
- 1994-2001 Div. IT-employments (Clients, Server, Network)
- 2001-now Head of IT, Higher school of teacher education

Photography career:

- 1970-2008 Photography as a secondary hobby
- 2009 Creation of the iPolas (www.polarize.ch)
- 2010 Exhibitor at Photo Schweiz 2010 (iPolas)
- 2011 Entering of the Composing und Retouching Genre (self-study)
- 2013 Exhibitor at Photo Schweiz 2013 (Compositings)
- 2013 Two times monthly winner in "PHOTOGRAPHIE" (Germany)
- 2013-2015 Winner of div. contests and competitions ("Docma", Zingst, Canon etc.)
- 2014 Lots of press publications worldwide
- 2014 Div. publications in spec. press ("digitalPhoto", "PHOTOGRAPHIE" etc...)
- 2014 First 6-page how-to-workshop "digitalPhoto"
- 2015 "Into the Poppies" featured in Nikon's annual calendar 2015
- 2015 till now 70'000 follower on facebook, 500px, flickr, 1x.com
- 2016 Winner monthly contest in "PHOTOGRAPHIE" (Germany)
- 2016 Exhibition in Brasil, Cabo Branco, 27 February through 4 May
- 2016 Exhibition in Utah, Provo Library, 1 August through 30 September

John's profession is IT, his passion is photography.

Photography was always important in John's life. His father was an experienced hobby-photographer and founded at least two local photography-associations. So he grew up in an environment of cameras, magazines, lenses, selfmade camera-baggages, darkrooms and funny weddings.

He wasn't very excited back then about those films and development processes. It was such a fiddling in his eyes.

The importance of photography changed into joy when John was holding his first digital cam in his hands. The fire was sparked off and a long journey begun, a journey through lots of camera systems, techniques, experiences and finally software products. February 2011, he decided to take a step across the border of plain photography. John entered the world of Photoshop. That was the best thing he ever did... now photography is a complete passion!

Quote:

"I love it to bring my fantasy to life with the help of my own images and Photoshop. Due to the fact that it's more an obsession than plain passion I call myself a photoholic."