



# DreamLightArt.com

## Wedding Photography

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## Introduction to Dream Light Art Photography

**We like to think of ourselves as an affordable, customized, high-quality wedding photography studio specializing in beautiful image capture for any wedding event.** We work closely with our clients from the start. While we strive to capture a complete photographic expression of the beauty and joy of your wedding day, we love to capture images that reflect your personality in a creative manner. We will work with you as a team to produce a beautiful and complete collection of images. We are extremely generous regarding your image rights and our image processing is exceptional – see page 3. We don't know how we could make your acquisition of your images more convenient or complete or more easily shareable with all your friends and family. And our image processing is as good as that of any studio we know of at any price in the metro area. We place extreme value on the quality of our post-production. Many studios in the area have no idea even what that is or what it can be. A lot of the value you receive for your investment in our services resides in that area of our photographic art - it is one of our defining features and makes us almost unique in the metro area. And once again, we are extremely generous in granting you full rights to all the images we have captured and carefully produced for you.

**While we aren't the least expensive studio out there, we are the most affordable studio offering the quality, value, and personalized service we provide for weddings of most any size.** We are dedicated full time professional photographic artists – not dilettantes. While we charge the absolute minimum we can while remaining truly professional on a high level, we have to charge more than the “fast food joints” in our industry. But we are carefully designed to provide you with the absolute best value for your investment in our art and for most any sized event. A “synopsis” of our service is on the following page.

**We treat our clients as our friends: we respect them, we encourage them to inspire us, we endeavor to produce art together to be enjoyed for generations. We have never received under a five-star review in our entire history – anywhere – on over three hundred and fifty reviews!**

## The Best Quality/Affordability Balance Possible

There are five key reasons for this:

### 1) The Quality of our professional talent and our dedication to our art:

We are all dedicated professional artists. We are not dilettantes pretending to be such. Currently, five of us have university degrees in photography or teach photography at prestigious local universities. We are professional artists because we love to create art and value your sponsorship in that regard. It is how we make our living. Without your sponsorship, we could not be professional artists. So, we had better be good at it. We are not doing this to get rich, but to make a living and for the joy of sharing our art in helping you capture one of the most important, joyous days of your life. That is very rewarding in itself, and an honor, and we treat it as such.

Please view our extensive portfolio section on our website ([dreamlightart.com](http://dreamlightart.com)) to get a feel for our individual art and styles. You will find each wedding there unique – we are artists, not robots following a repetitive image script for each wedding. You should get a feel for the fact that we can capture for you an artistic rendition of the unique story of your day in light – the very definition of photography in the original Greek.

### 2) The Quality of our Image Color Processing/Editing is rare in the metro area at any price:

Besides excellent image capture by truly professional photographic artists, we also offer an almost unique service in the way of the quality of our image color processing/editing. Most studios don't even try to offer the quality we offer in our image processing - regardless of price. We would probably have great reviews regardless – but I firmly believe the reason we have had hundreds of nothing but perfect reviews over the last ten years is also due to the quality of our image editing and color processing. **Unless you pay over \$4000 for your wedding photography at most other studios in the metro area, you are probably not getting the image processing quality we offer all our clients. Usually, not even then.**

We consider color processing/editing a photographic art equal in importance to the image capture aspect of our art. And it is actually way more time consuming. We image process for around two and a half hours for every hour we shoot. Often more. And that is with a great computer and a super-efficient process and workflow and decades of experience to facilitate the endeavor. We process from RAW images to your finished JPGs.

Even some of the finest studios in the area farm-out this aspect of their art to overseas contractors for this reason. They then have little control and their editing quality doesn't compare. Or they use pre-packaged filters to create images that may be artistic, but have little resemblance to reality here on planet Earth. Our images are lush and real. Every single one.

The ultimate resulting collection is greatly appreciated by our clients. Though they might take the editing/processing it took to produce the quality of their image collection for granted - they just love their images and that is our goal. That's OK with us – we take our satisfaction in the over three hundred and fifty universal 5 stars our clients have given us in reviews.

### 3) We offer you Full Rights to all your images and provide them in the most convenient ways possible:

1) **On a Flash Drive:** We provide you your hundreds of images in three different sizes on a Flash Drive: **Full Res:** often over 11 megabytes each, **Mid Res:** around 3-4 megabytes each, and **Small Res:** from 250-350 kilobytes each. We normally provide close to or over a hundred finished images per hour of shooting. **These images come with Full Rights!**

2) **On a lovely Online Gallery:** The “MidRes” images are also uploaded to a lovely and elegant Online Gallery site and a link to the secure site is sent to the client. If the link is shared, anyone can view the entire collection online without downloading anything at all. Real professional photographic laser prints with four resin layers and a polyester backing up to 16x24” in size can be conveniently ordered from this gallery site and shipped directly to you. As can gorgeous museum quality canvas prints hand-stretched over 1.5” frames. You won’t find anything like either of these at most retailers like Walgreens, Sams, or Costco. These only come from professional labs.

### 4) We offer you extremely reasonably priced professional grade prints from an elegant online gallery that can easily be shared with everyone:

As noted above, we offer a convenient and elegant online gallery that offers reasonably priced ordering of professional-grade true photographic prints and even stretched canvas works of art from all your images! **A sample price is just \$5.00 for a 5x7” print.** Compare this price to many studios that often ask three times more per print while also holding most of your digital images “hostage!” - so you have no choice if you want anything at all!! These are real professional photographic laser prints with four resin layers and a polyester backing up to 16x24” in size. You can even order gorgeous museum quality canvas prints hand-stretched over 1.5” frames. Prints like these only come from professional labs. We also offer a variety of reasonably priced high-quality albums including an absolute top of the line true Italian Fashion Leather cover album.

### 5) You pay for just the exact amount (hours) of professional photographic service you need with us and no more!!:

Which makes us rare for quality wedding photography services in the metro area. We don’t have a \$3200 minimum charge for our services like many quality studios in town. **We charge by the hour** from as little time as you want to whatever mega-event you have in mind! There is no quality wedding photography studio in the entire St. Louis metro area that is more flexible about customizing their services to fit their client’s exact needs.

### Conclusion:

You will not find a better Quality/Affordability value for 1-12 hour events in the metro area! We charge only what we need to for our art and we offer what we know is the best possible balance of quality art, service, and price. We work tirelessly to achieve that. Our over 350 universally perfect 5-star reviews online attest to our success in that pursuit !!

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## Our Rates – see the next page for Sample Packages

See our **2024/5 Wedding Special** and **8 hrs for 7hrs pd** deals below & contact us for other unlisted offers that can total up to an \$950 or more in value!

**2024/5 Wedding Special:** If you place just a minimum \$350 deposit on a (6 hr min) contract with us – we will discount our services from \$100 to \$500 and offer you a Free 16x24” Art Wall Print plus offer you \$75 off a 1.5 hour “full” engagement session that everyone loves!! Many of our most enthusiastic reviews are from these engagement sessions!! Together with the **8hrs for 7hrs pd offer** (see below) these offers can total **up to around \$950 in value!**

**8 hrs for 7 pd Special:** For events of 8 hours or more – one of those hours will be free! Our talents have individual pricing per hour. Clients select their individual talent from their individual & extensive bios/portfolio page(s) and through interviews prior to contracting. We always work very closely with our clients. Please view their extensive bios/portfolio page(s) at <https://dreamlightart.com/our-main-portfolio-page/> for specific information about, extensive demo galleries by, and the hourly charges for specific talents (before discounts).

**Lead Photographer:** \$200 to \$250 per hour for specific artists (5 hours or more)

**2nd Photographer (optional):** \$160 to \$180/hr (four hours or more)

We don't have minimum hours - we are extremely flexible. So don't be afraid to inquire - whatever your needs are. For very small weddings such as two hour “elopement style” weddings we charge more per hour, but we do them regularly. **For events of 8 hours or more – one of those hours will be free!**

Most quality studios don't offer this extremely flexible policy. We will even do two-hour elopements for only **\$660!**

**Call/text for clarifications:** [314 249-3677](tel:3142493677). Or contact us through our website/email.

**Non-Shooting Assistant:** \$50 per hour (usually for 6 hrs) – not required, but highly recommended.

**Full Engagement Session:** \$330 for a 1.5 hour engagement session when included in a wedding photography contract. And \$390 for a stand-alone session.

**Included:**

**Our color processing/editing is of excellent (and even rare) quality:** Is at least as good as any studio's in the entire metro area at any price: We spend somewhere around two and a half hours processing/editing for every hour of shooting. All your hundreds of images will be truly beautiful and ready for your enjoyment!

**You will receive: A Flash Drive with all your images and with Full Rights to them:** You will receive each of your hundreds of images in three different sizes: Full Res (6-14 MB each), Medium Res (3-4 MB), & Small Res (>.4 MB).

**And a Gorgeous Online Gallery to share with friends and family:** We will even provide you with an super-elegant online gallery – all you need to do is send them your unique link and they will have super easy access to all of them! The images can completely fill their screens of any size – even 4K! This gallery is designed for super easy and beautiful viewing and/or printing. A 5x7 real photographic print with four resin layers on a polyester backing is only \$5.00! We don't know how we could make sharing your images with friends and family any more convenient or beautiful.

## Sample Packages:

You will find us as reasonably priced as high-quality wedding photography gets! All Packages presented here are samples only and do not even reflect all potential discounts – in reality, we will create customized packages to fit your exact individual needs and that include all potential discounts for you.

We offer a \$50 discount for simply enjoying a nice chat with the artist of your choice, contracts for 8 hours or more include an hour at no charge, see previous page for 2024/25 Weddings Specials and contact us for other unlisted (generous) discounts.

### For Engagements and Smaller Weddings:

- 1) Engagement photography for 1.5 hours: **\$330 when part of a wedding contract**. For “a stand-alone” shoot (without a wedding package included) we need to charge **\$390**. We need to charge the full list rate per hour for our engagement sessions. These are actually a very good deal because they are mini-events to us and often last over an hour and a half – you get the same excellent level of care and service – we take no shortcuts - they are prepared for, shot, and processed/edited like full events.
- 2) Elopement photography for 2 hours: Just **\$660**. We love our elopement/small wedding shoots! All edited images Included. Elopement weddings “in season” should avoid Saturdays for various reasons.
- 3) One photographer for 3 hours: **\$700-\$880**. One photographer for 4 hours: **\$800-\$1040** depending on the selected artist.
- 4) One photographer for 5 hours: **\$1000 to \$1250**, 6 hours: **\$1200 to \$1500** and 7 to 8 hours: **\$1400 to \$1750** depending on the selected artist. All well-edited images included.

### For Larger Weddings:

- 5) 8 hours of a lead photographer goes for **\$1400 to \$1750** depending on your selected artist. This includes all your extremely well edited image files for you to enjoy plus a 16x24 Art Wall Print. Note: We like to have a Non-Shooting Assistant (NSA) along for 6 hrs @ \$50/hr=\$300 but that is not required – discuss that with your artist.
- 6) 8 hours of a lead photographer with also 6 hours of a second photographer would be **\$2480 to \$2830** depending on your selected artists. This includes all your extremely well edited image files. Plus two 16x24 Art Wall Prints. Add an NSA for 6 hours for just \$300.
- 7) 10 hours of a lead photographer goes for **\$1800 to \$2250** depending on your selected artist. This includes all your extremely well edited image files for you to enjoy plus a 16x24 Art Wall Print. Note: We like a Non-Shooting Assistant (NSA) along for 6 hrs @ \$50/hr = \$300, but it is not required – discuss that with your artist.
- 8) 10 hours of a lead photographer with also 6 hours of a second photographer: **\$2880 to \$3330** depending on your selected artist. This includes all your extremely well edited image files. Plus two 16x24 Art Wall Prints. Add an NSA for 6-8 hours for just \$300-\$400.

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## Our PhotoBook Albums:

Lovely, High-Quality and Affordable Photo-Cover Albums!!



We custom design albums for our clients by placing your selected images into an elegant presentation. We design this layout in concert with you. The album includes a custom designed photo-cover (front and back) and the pages are lay-flat hard page spreads with no perceptible center break. A lovely presentation box and sleeve are included to protect your album.



### 10x10" Photo Book Flush Print Album

These are lovely and high - quality real photographic print & lay-flat, hard-page albums.

They include a custom designed photo cover and come in a presentation box for protection.

#### Custom Professional Design Included:

Approximately 50 images and 24 pages: **\$525**  
and ≈ 65 images and 32 pages: **\$675** with  
additional pages \$12 each.

**Parents albums:** An 8x8 duplicate album: **\$300**.  
A Beautiful **Presentation Box** is included with  
each album – including parent's albums.

**Single Image per page option:** A single image  
per page layout is \$430 for 24 images/pages and  
each additional image/page is \$8. A 42  
image/page album would then be \$574. This  
affordable layout option makes each image pop.

## Our GraphiStudio Albums:

**Real Italian Fashion Leather & Imbedded Image cover albums from the Alps!**

**Produced by arguably the finest digital album company in the world.  
For an ultra-high-quality album – this is very affordable.**

**We custom design albums for our clients with a simple artistic philosophy:  
We want to maximize the impact of each individual photographic image and not detract from that art while placing those images into an elegant presentation.  
We start by refining your selected images for your album to the max and then designing the layout in concert with you. These elegant designs are then presented in a gorgeous real Italian Fashion Leather cover Album. A lovely presentation box is included.**

**Graphi Studio offers over 50 different Italian leather types and colors.**



The GraphiStudio album with an Italian Leather and Imbedded Image Cover & a beautiful Presentation Box



GraphiStudio albums open to totally lay-flat hard page spreads with a barely noticeable center line



**GraphiStudio** is located the foothills of the Alps of Northern Italy. Besides a modern production facility, they have a beautiful castle: **The Ceconi Castle**.



It is impossible to exaggerate the quality of these albums – we have carried them for over 20 years and never had a single one come back with any defect. The printing is incredibly lush. The spreads just glow. They open totally flat, and the center fold is basically unnoticeable. Our clients are very happy with their albums.

### **8x12” GraphiStudio Italian Fashion Leather and ‘Crystal Glance’ Wedding Book Flush Print album**

These are the absolute best overall photographic print & lay-flat, hard-page albums on the market.

#### **Embedded Image and Italian Fashion Leather cover and with Custom Professional Design Included:**

Including ≈ 80 images and 32 pages: **\$875** with additional pages \$12 each.

Parents albums: An 8x12 real photographic print hard page duplicate album: **\$350**.

These include real Italian fashion leather or fine faux leather covers with a gorgeous imbedded image cover. A Beautiful Presentation Box is included.

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