

# SNAPSHOT

The official ENewsletter from Carrie Weston Studios



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## Hello Fellow Creatives!

Welcome to the first edition of Snapshot, the official eNewsletter from Carrie Weston Studios. We put this together for our clients, our followers, for aspiring photographers, our colleagues and fellow artists! We thought it would be fun and interesting to compile some of our overall “favorites” from the last quarter. In this issue, you will find:

- Information on previous and upcoming events
- Behind the scenes bloopers
- Some tips and tricks on posing
- Featured promotions...and more!

We hope that you find our first eNewsletter interesting, fun and of course of value!

Please let us know what you think, what you'd like to see in future issues, any comments, criticisms and even submissions...we'd love to see your work and ideas!

Stay Inspired,

Carrie-Anne & Theresa



## Tips & Tricks:

### 3 simple tricks for posing

1. Elongate your neck to simulate height and poise—yes it's supposed to feel unnatural! Stand in front of the mirror and look at yourself...stand normally, then roll your shoulders back allowing your face to come forward...notice the difference in the width of your neck? An instant slimming trick.
2. Create a fake waist...instantly slimming and sexy! You can do this by positioning yourself to camera, then creating the waist you want seen with the positioning of your hands on your 'hips'. Cross your knees slightly to emphasize an 'S' figure when popping your hip.
3. Separate your limbs from your body. Not only does it prevent the arm/leg from being squashed against you spreading out any fat, it is also an optical illusion for a slimmer appearance in terms of overall width.





*An internationally recognized photography studio presents,*

## ***the \$1,000 Wedding Give Away***

Weddings are expensive....very expensive. Even when you take over and try to plan and do most things on your own, after all is said and done, it's still a chunk out of your bank account. Understanding the high cost and not wanting to sacrifice high quality photography, we put together a free wedding giveaway as a way to help a few lucky couples enjoy the quality and services of a \$5,000+ photo package...for less than \$1,200.

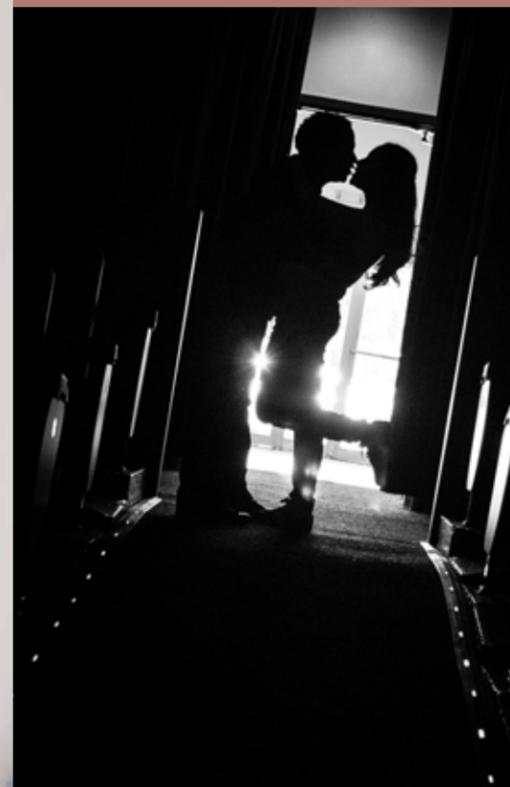
We are seeking five lucky couples who love and appreciate the value of photography; a couple who is looking for more than just "the cheapest package;" We are looking for the couple looking for something unique, the couple who not only appreciates good photography, but knows its value, and quite simply can't afford it. This is our gift back to you.

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Visit our Facebook page for details on how to submit for your chance to win, because after all, everyone should be awarded the gift of amazing photography on their wedding day.



# A Story of 3 Sisters



Having not seen each other in over a year, these three sisters contacted our studio for a family photo shoot. One sister, Ivette (middle) lives in Florida and was coming up to stay with her children and grandchildren locally, while the other two sisters, Lissette (left) and Eliette (right), would drive for over two hours to visit their beloved sister. Ivette would only be in town for three short weeks and after hearing their story, we were anxious to work with them.

Growing up in Puerto Rico, they were the daughters of Antonio, a politician and Luz, a school teacher (who had nine siblings of her own), and were raised to value the importance of both family and education. Their father, a militant man and politician in the 1950's, believed in the country's freedom from the United States. His beliefs led to him being labeled a communist, and the family was forced to flee Puerto Rico.

Ivette, then five, begged to stay with her grandmother who had been a fundamental part of her life and had helped raise her since she was four weeks old. Her wish was granted

and she was raised by her grandparents and her aunts and uncles; Ivette would remain in Puerto Rico until the age of eight, when her father would send for her, saying it was time she join her sisters.

When Ivette arrived in New York, her siblings did not welcome her with the open arms she had expected. She was the darkest of the group, which later coined her the nickname "La Negra," the "Black One," as she stood next to her much paler sisters, their skin accustomed to the New York winters and hers to the Puerto Rican sun.

However, through the years, their bond strengthened and they became extremely close. The family endured many challenges after arriving in New York. While their mother found herself only able to find work in a factory, despite her education and experience, they stood together, supporting one another and working toward a bright future.

While times were challenging, the family fell into some good fortune and Antonio hit the lottery, winning \$6,000.

A dreamer and believer, he bought a building on Jackson Avenue in the Bronx and began the Spanish Grocers Association, which would later play a prominent role in aiding the advancement of Hispanics into small private business owners.

The sisters went on to raise their families as one unit of cousins, uncles, aunts, great aunts, and so on. They experienced love, hurt; anger, fights, laughter and tears... yet still have an unbreakable respect for each other. Though the distances have separated them, they remain close at heart—such bonds cannot be broken.

And so, during our time with them, we really wanted to capture their story, not only as the unique individuals that they are, but to show bond that can only be developed among sisters.

The sisters came to the studio in East Northport, NY, hair done and ready for make up with our artist, Betty Lynn Timms. Their 2 hours spent with us was filled with laughter and tears of joy, with stories and kisses... with family.

## Inspiration Corner

Writers block, creative drain, brain-dead moments... these happen to us often. We often take a look at our colleagues, museums, galleries and of course our idols for inspiration. This edition's inspiration comes from Sue Bryce, in her recent article "Don't wait till you are perfect . . . You will never be perfect". Throughout, she talks about photographing women as they truly are, accepting and loving yourself and not waiting until you think you are "perfect;" for you are ALWAYS perfect!. We highly recommend you check it out and become inspired! You can read more here:

<http://www.inbedwithsue.com/2013/10/17/dont-wait-till-your-perfect-you-will-never-be-perfect-sue-bryce/>



# BEHIND THE SCENES

The last few months have been very busy for us at the Studio! We're excited to share some behind the scenes of what we've been up to:

Catch us around town at local networking events! PRPLI Holiday Mixer & East Northport Chamber Mixer (Top Right)

Carrie's work was accepted into the prestigious show, "Donna," in the city of Gubbio, Italy. This international photographic exhibition was put together by the Terracomunica Association, a nonprofit dedicated to promoting social and cultural areas of photography.



The studio was also featured in Long Island Business News and on the cover of Newsday's Long Island Business Section



## WHAT'S NEXT?

East Northport's a Taste of Long Island, Thursday, March 27 from 6:30-10:00pm at Coindre Hall. The studio is thrilled to be photographing the 11th annual Taste of Long Island. We will be joined by celebrity guests such as: Luca Manfe, 2013 Master Chef winner, Barret Beyer, Hell's Kitchen Contestant and hundreds of culinary connoisseurs. Register today: [www.eastnorthport.com](http://www.eastnorthport.com)



**TERRACOMUNICA**  
**UNICA donna**  
 25/11/2013

25 lunedì, Gubbio  
 Mostra fotografica "Terracomunica Donna"  
 Sala dei Capitani via Balzani  
 Inaugurazione mostra: ore 18.00

Mostra Fotografica  
 Mickey Albino - Claudio Bartoli  
 Ylcezzit Yamila - Alvarez - Loretto Flores  
 Erica Gianni - Carrie-Anne Gonzalez  
 Gaila Gregori - Nicole Hoffmann  
 Daniele LaGrandier - Juan Maldonado  
 Ali Nesiro - Jon Premoloch  
 Tara Ramsey - Jeng Jie  
 Amy Tisciano - Jessica Viner  
 Tommaso Majocchi - Riccardo Ponzio  
 Isabella Sannicci - Giuseppe Summa  
 Andrea Viti

25 lunedì  
 Concorso Fotografico "Bella"  
 Promosso da Camera di Commercio di Gubbio e Terracomunica  
 nella giornata del 25 novembre è  
 organizzato un concorso fotografico  
 partecipativo con il tema "Bella"  
 finalizzato alla promozione del territorio  
 gubbinese e della donna.

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The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual  
*A Taste of Long Island*  
 Long Island's premier food, wine & beer tasting event at Coindre Hall

Thursday, March 27, 2014 from 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Featuring Special Guests:  
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