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GUATEMALA: A PHOTOGRAPHER'S PARADISE

Bella Guatemala Travel Announces Details for its Photography Tour

(Los Angeles, CA) – Wedged in between the blue Pacific and lush emerald green forests, Guatemala is a visual paradise full of colorful, authentic Mayan traditions and compelling picture stories. From December 4 – 11, 2016, editorial travel photographer <u>Brent Winebrenner</u> invites enthusiastic shutterbugs with solid working knowledge of their cameras as well as professional photographers to join him as he leads **Bella Guatemala Travel**'s first photography tour at this Central American gem.

Designed by photographers for photographers, this tour helps travelers open their creative minds to improve their storytelling abilities and develop their photography skill to capture beautiful, timeless photos. One-of-a-kind photo opportunities in Guatemala include colonial architecture, street life in Antigua, the colorful Mayan market town of Chichicastenango, indigenous life and culture in Quetzaltenango, the surrounding countryside and the Pacific lowlands for big sweeping views and landscape photography.

Each day of the tour will offer a new photo lecture and skill building exercises designed to reframe the way travelers see and tell a story and to improve the way they work in the field. One-on-one critiques, peer reviews and question and answer sessions help insure a robust, personalized learning experience. In addition, **Bella Guatemala Travel**'s knowledgeable guides work together with Brent to provide context for the photography sessions by explaining the history and cultures of the locations on the tour.

Brent Winebrenner is a professional travel and location photographer and videographer with experience in over 65 countries. A skilled and enthusiastic photography educator, Brent taught editorial photography and location lighting in the Visual Journalism Department at the Brooks Institute. He is a content provider for lynda.com and his imagery is represented by Getty Images and DVArchives. Brent's editorial work has appeared in countless publications, including *The Splendor of Cuba*, an exhaustive survey of Cuban architecture by Rizzoli Publications. The effort resulted in what was recognized as one of the best photography books of 2011.

Bella Guatemala Travel's photography tour is \$3995 and will take place from December 4-11, 2016. Bella Guatemala Travel tour packages are based on double occupancy and include international flights from the U.S., luxury accommodations, three meals daily, transportation, tours, entrance fees, bilingual tour guides, taxes and gratuities, as all-inclusive tours. All Bella Guatemala Travel tours are comprised of small and intimate groups, with no more than 16 guests. All hotels have been carefully inspected and selected because of their connection to Guatemala's heritage and culture as well as their premium services and luxury standards.

About Bella Guatemala Travel

Since 2005, CEO and Travel Consultant Elsie YiDonoy, who is Guatemalan born and based in Los Angeles, California, has been sharing her passion for her country's culture, heritage, and people with travelers from around the world through **Bella Guatemala Travel**. With the goal of providing an extraordinary travel experience that caters to every detail of a traveler's vacation, Bella Guatemala's ability to provide premium services and fine amenities is a result of strong partnerships with local hotels and businesses. A truly exclusive travel experience with a sustainable approach, every detail in the adventure to discover the Land of the Mayas has been thoughtfully and carefully organized, ensuring safety and comfort as well as access to unique opportunities that make for lifelong memories. For more information, please visit www.bellaguatemalatravel.com.

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