

Interesting links on various lighting topics.

As I find new links that are worthwhile, I will add them to the top, so newest will be first.

The following has more information than you will possibly need, but since somebody went to the trouble of collecting it all, I thought I would pass it on. I have not verified all the links, so some may be dead, or require being a member of a group. But most questions that you might have are listed here.

The links that I will add are ones that I found to be either interesting, or pertinent to the workshops. Most of mine will be to 'youtube' demonstrations.

And of course each 'youtube' link leads to 2000 others.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_2j75pySDw

<http://www.diyphotography.net/>

<http://www.photoflexlightingschool.com/>

http://www.essortment.com/all/photographyli_rawq.htm

<http://www.studiolighting.net/>

<http://photography.about.com/od/takingpictures/tp/photographylighting.htm>

<http://strobist.blogspot.com/2006/02/welcome-to-strobist.html>

<http://jakegarn.com/4-lights-a-step-by-step-guide/>

<http://www.zarias.com/modifiers-from-day-03-of-my-creativelive-class/>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h8ag9y_a6VA

<http://fashionphotographyblog.co.uk/http://fashionphotographyblog.co.uk/photography/fashion-photography-15-stock-poses/>

<http://racheljay.wordpress.com/modeling-articles-videos-worth-watching/>

<http://neilvn.com/tangents/flash-photography-techniques/6-flash-outdoors/>

<http://www.google.ca/search?q=fill+flash+technique&ie=utf-8&oe=utf-8&aq=t&rls=org.mozilla:en-US:official&client=firefox-a>

<http://stepheneastwood.com/blog/>

Based on a thread put together by:

Photographer

[Kevin Connery](#)

Posts: 12,544

Fullerton, California, US

This is based on Leo's (III) threads on flash, portable flash, and ringlighting, combining all the lighting and studio related discussions. The contents are summarized below, with one section per post.

Lighting Basics

What to Buy

'Net resources

General MM threads

Brand or Model specific threads

Different Types of Lighting Equipment

Monolight 'vs' Pack and Head

Strobes 'vs' Continuous light

Continuous Lights

Where to Buy

Where to Buy

Major Strobe Manufacturers

Major Continuous Lighting Manufacturers

Major Accessory Manufacturers

Lighting Equipment ("Modifiers")

General MM Lighting threads

Umbrellas/Softboxes/Reflectors (Softening Modifiers)

Diffusion Panels/Reflectors/Flags

Beauty Dishes
Focusing lights (Fresnels and spotlights)
Gels
Grids

[Sync Cords and Remote Triggers](#)

Sync Cords
Radio Triggers
 Pocket Wizard Radio Triggers
 Cactus/Gadget Infinity Radio Triggers
 Elinchrom Skyport
 Paul Buff CyberSync
 Radio Poppers
 Misc Remote Triggers

[Lighting Techniques](#)

On the 'Net
Lighting Diagrams - how-to
MM Lighting Technique threads
 General
 Studio
 Beauty
 Hair/Rim/Accent Lighting
 Lighting Vehicles
Natural Lighting Techniques
Mixing Sunlight with Strobes
Unusual Lighting Techniques
MM Exposure threads

[Ring Flash and Ring Lights](#)

[Exposure and Metering](#)

Exposure
Light Meters

[Location Lighting and Portable Flash](#)

Info on the 'Net
MM Thread on Portable Flash options
Brand-specific Portable Lighting threads

Overpowering Sunlight with Flash
Dealing with Overcast
Other Location Lighting Issues (Modifiers, support, etc.)

[Do It Yourself Lighting Equipment](#)

[Non-Lighting Studio Info and Setup thread](#) (Now in separate thread)

[Backdrop and Prop Vendors on the 'Net](#)

(Now in separate thread)

LIGHTING Basics

On the Net

[Studio Lighting - making the equipment decision](#): Online version of my article published in Digital Photo Pro about choosing studio flash systems.

[http://photo.net/learn/lighting/choosin ... -lighting/](http://photo.net/learn/lighting/choosin...-lighting/) Garry Edwards' excellent overview of studio lighting from Photo.net.

[Strobist](#): Blog about lightweight, inexpensive lighting solutions that give expensive looking results. (Especially see the [Lighting 101 lessons](#).)

[An intro to studio lighting equipment](#). Photo.net article by Garry Edwards and Brooks Short. Covers the basics of what studio gear does, and introduces many of the standard terms and equipment used. The Lighting Themes on Studio Lighting and Equipment go into more depth. ([Part 1](#), [Part 2](#), [Part 3](#), [Part 4](#), and [Part 5](#))

[ProPhotoLife's Studio Lighting Equipment Guide Part 1](#) (Lights and basic modifiers) and [Part 2](#) (Softboxes, Light Stands, and Booms).

[Lighting Essentials Blog](#). Many tutorials and videos on lighting using natural light and studio lights.

[StudioLighting.net](#)

[Professional Photography 101 Lighting Tutorials](#)

[Mark Wallace's One on One video](#) on lighting equipment.

PhotoflexLightingSchool.com

[Broncolor's Modifier Comparison page](#) shows the results from different light shapers compared to each other.

[Sekonic's PDF guide to using light meters and histograms](#)

Don't forget the [Search](#) function. Searches for 'strobe', 'flash', 'light', 'monolight', 'alien bee', etc. will find a plethora of pertinent posts.

BOOKS

People should consider reviewing these books before asking basic questions. It is extremely difficult--not to mention inefficient--to learn the basics online. You are wasting more people's time while the books are already out there.

BOOKS

Consider studying these books. It is extremely difficult--not to mention inefficient--to learn the fundamentals from a Q&A session in an online forum. You are wasting a lot of time--yours and other peoples'--while guides that have collected and organized the information are already out there.

* Fil Hunter and Paul Fuqua's [Light--Science and Magic](#). Discusses all the technical fundamentals of lighting.

(Still not sure? See this [MM Thread on Light Science and Magic](#), or this [review of LSM](#))

* Ross Lowell's [Matters of Light and Depth](#). Originally written for cinematographers, *Matters of Light and Depth* discusses more of the mood, emotional, and reactive responses to lighting. Works extremely well in conjunction with *Light-Science and Magic*.

The [LightingMods](#) blog reviews both of the above (and some other good lighting books).

(Last updated 5/3/2009)

WHAT TO BUY and Lighting Product Info

On the Net

[Studio Lighting - making the equipment decision](#): Online version of my article published in Digital Photo

Pro about choosing studio flash systems.

[http://photo.net/learn/lighting/choosin ... -lighting/](http://photo.net/learn/lighting/choosin...-lighting/) Garry Edwards' excellent introduction to studio lighting from Photo.net.

[Cost per watt second](#) article on 1ProPhoto.com. See the [PDF comparing selected models](#) (including flash duration and recycle times).

[Stephen Eastwood's Lighting Equipment Overview](#): Packs vs Monolights, Brand rankings, etc.

MM Threads - General

[Strobe Lighting, what made and brand should I get?](#) (30+ posts)

[what type of lights do u recommend?](#) (70+ posts)

[Most reliable monolights?](#)

[studio lights!!!](#)

[effective vs true ws](#) (What does "effective watt-seconds mean, anyhow?)

[\\$2000 to spend on studio flash](#)

[question about lights...](#) (What to buy)

[Strobe lighting recommendations](#): Looking for a 3 light setup.

[Inexpensive lighting gear](#)

[Best strobes for both studio/on location lighting?](#)

[Best strobes to buy for the bucks](#)

[What is the BEST type/brand of lights to invest in](#)

[Lighting - what to buy?](#)

[Looking to get a lighting system...need your help](#)

[Flash vs Strobes](#) (Speedlite vs studio-style strobes)

[What is the best studio lighting equipment?](#) (80+ posts)

[What is the worst studio lighting equipment..](#)

[Flash: go for the cheap or invest?](#)

[Studio lights](#) (What do you have and what do you like/dislike about it.)

[\\$7500 lighting system.....what would you get](#)

[Limited budget. - Indoor studio lights needed](#)

[any LIGHTWEIGHT monolight recommendations?](#)

[What lights you'd recommend for HD videography?](#)

[Studioflash!](#) (What to buy in Europe)

[Lighting decision..](#) (What to buy in Australia)

[OK, I Need Help...](#) ... purchasing ONE light on a budget

Brand/Model-specific (Alphabetic by brand)

Alien Bee from Paul Buff

[Alien Bee Lights](#) (200+ posts)

[Alien Bees Strobes. Good Start or not?](#) (\$1500 budget)

[Is Alienbees slipping?](#)

[Alien Bee Strobes... the haves and have nots!](#) (100+ posts)

[alienbees pro and cons](#) (50+ posts)

[Keep reading about AB color inconsistencies.](#)

[Alienbees](#)

[Alien Bee Lighting](#) (50+ posts)

[Question for Alien Bee owners](#) (Alternate/improved modeling lights)

[AlienBees and one grand to spend](#) (50+ posts)

[Alien Bees - Anybody Using? Pros & Cons...](#)

[Alien Bees....good enuf???](#)

[Alien Bees-See how they really stack up](#) (POTN strobe & flash comparison)

[Alien Bees in the UK](#)

[Alien Bees vs JTL units](#)

[Comments on AlienBees vs. JTL strobe units](#)

[Alien Bees](#) (User feedback requested)

[Alien Bees....own and use them? Problems?](#) (Troubleshooting problems)

[Forums > Photography Talk > Fried an AB today](#)

[AlienBees The Busy Bee](#) (kit and sync options)

[Alien Bees VS Bowens Lighting](#)

[AB B-400 vs Elinchrom D-Lite2 comparison test](#)

[Elinchrom vs. alienbees?](#)

[Photogenic StudioMax III or alien bee ab800](#) (In Australia)

[Alien B vs Adorama Flashpoint vs Patterson Stellar 300](#)

[Profoto vs. Alienbees](#)

[Calumet travelites vs. AB's or WL](#)

[Calumet Travelite Vs White Lightning](#)

[Calumet vs Alien Bees](#)

[Alien Bees vs. White Lightning?](#)

[AlienBees B1600 vs. White-Lightning X800 ?](#)

[difference between alien bees and white lightning?](#)

[A step up from Alien Bee?](#)

Balcar

[Balcar Monobloc 1](#)

Bowens (See Calumet)

Briese

[does anyone use BRIESE lighting?](#)

Britek

[Britek Lighting](#)

[Britek](#)

[Britek Lights](#)

[questions about britek strobe lights](#)

[Does anybody have experience with Britek?](#)

Broncolor

[Broncolor > Speedo Black](#)

[Any Broncolor Mobil users?](#)

Calumet (also Bowens)

[Calumet Travelite 1875w/s Three-Head Portrait Kit](#)

[Calumet travelites vs. AB's or WL](#)

[Calumet Travelite Vs White Lightning](#)

[Calumet vs Alien Bees](#)

[Calumet lights : Bargain or Junk? \(Genesis\)](#)

eBay Kits

[Studio flash kit \(ebay/lencarta 3 flash kit\)](#)

[Lighting kits Please help \(eBay 'Square Perfect' kit\)](#)

[Wanna help a newbie with a lighting questions \(ebay/yinyan 180 ws light kit\)](#)

[Alien Bees VS Bowens Lighting](#)

Elinchrom

[Who has used Elinchrom strobes? Pros/Cons?](#)

[Elinchrome Setup - Suggestions?](#)

[Hensel or Elinchrom Strobes?](#)

[Elinchrom Ranger RX users...](#)

[Elinchrom vs Hensel vs Broncolor vs Profoto](#)

[Elinchrom 2 x 400BX what do you think](#)

[AB B-400 vs Elinchrom D-Lite2 comparison test](#)

[Elinchrom vs. alienbees?](#)

[Elinchrom D lite](#)

[Elinchrom RX300 or BX/Ri 250?](#)

Excalibur

[What do you think about this monolight?](#) (Excalibur 3200)

Impact

[Impact monolights...good choice?!?!](#)

Interfit / Patterson

[Studio Lighting - Interfit / Paterson](#)

[flash me....interfit studio lighting???????](#)

[interfit strobes](#)

[Interfit Lighting](#)

[I never see Interfit lights brought up.](#)

JTL

[JTL Mobilight 300](#)

[JTL VersaLIGHT ? Qaulity questions](#)

[Alien Bees vs JTL units](#)

Norman

[Anyone still using Norman P2000D brains?](#)

[Norman 2000d and norman lampheads not all firing](#) (test button OK, not with sync cord)

Novatron

[Novatron flash heads mounting on standard C-stand](#) (1/4" vs 5/8")

[? For people with novatron experience.](#) (Modifiers/speedrings)

[My Novatron Lights](#) (Keep or switch)

[Alien Bees vs. Novatron](#)

[Novatron Lighting....](#)

[Novatron Lights](#)

[Novatron...](#)

[Novatron Lights and Power packs](#)

Opus Pro

[Lighting – help](#) (Opus Pro lights)

Photogenic

[Photogenic StudioMax III or alien bee ab800](#) (In Australia)

[Photogenic studio max 160 or 320 strobes](#)

[Opinions on Photogenic strobes ??](#) (StudioMax)

[Photogenic - excellent customer service](#)

[photogenic...](#) (StudioMax 320)

Profoto

[Can someone break down Profoto's line up for me?](#)

[Profoto AcuteB 600R Generator w/ Built-in Receiver](#)

[Bought some Profoto 600 Plus monoblocks today.](#) (ComPact 600)

[Profoto ComPact-R 600 Watt/Second](#)

[who uses Profoto R600 lights](#)

[Profoto mono lights](#) (ComPact-R 600)

[Acute2 R 1200w .. opinions?](#) (and some Speedotron discussion)

[Profoto Sticklight](#)

[Whats the difference between the Pro-7 & Acute2 ?](#) (Profoto, specifically ringflash)

[I'm considering investing in Profoto lighting!](#)

[Profoto-7b](#)

[Profoto: One-light setup vs. two](#)

[Stupid Profoto.](#)

[Profoto Zoom reflector comparison. New vs Standard](#) (Lighting patterns at different zoom settings)

[Profoto vs. Alienbees](#)

[Speedotron vs. Profoto - Yes, I have searched](#)

Speedotron

[Speedotron Black line](#)

[Speedotron Browline?](#)

[Speedotron - blackline vs brown: how to tell diff?](#)

[Speedotron heads? Help!](#)

[102 or 202VF](#) (Which heads and why)

[SPEEDOTRON Explorer 1500 ...any thoughts?](#) (Battery-based pack)

[Speedotron Force 10 - experience with ?](#)

[Speedotron Force Series Lights](#)

[Speedotron](#)

[Speedotron Customer Service?](#)

[Speedotron Packs power distribution?](#)
[Broncolor > Speedo Black](#)
[Speedotron vs. Profoto - Yes, I have searched](#)

Steve Kaeser

[Strobes need input.](#) (Steve Kaeser 180ws lights)

White Lighting from Paul Buff

[Plz help! What Lighting should i go with?](#), started 3/10/07
[White lighting Mono Blocks](#)
[White Lightning or Alien Bees?](#)
[Alien Bees vs. White Lightning?](#)
[difference between alien bees and white lightning?](#)
[White Lightning X1600 failed me \(AGAIN\)](#)
[white lightning products](#)
[AlienBees B1600 vs. White-Lightning X800 ?](#)

Zeus from Paul Buff

[Zeus strobes?](#) (With John Fisher's commentary)
[Zeus power pack and a profoto pro 7 ring flash](#)
[Zeus power pack and ring flash by white lighting](#)
[Zeus - any experience yet?](#)
[Paul C. Buff's Zeus Pack](#)

(Last updated 1/6/2010)

LIGHTING TECHNIQUES

On The 'Net

[Stephen Eastwood's Tutorials](#) on Lighting (and other things).

[Zac Arias 5 part tutorial on lighting a white background](#) to get pure white, black, or any color desired.

[Strobist](#): Blog about lightweight, inexpensive lighting solutions that give expensive looking results.
(Especially see the [Lighting 101 lessons](#).)

[Lighting Essentials Blog](#). Many tutorials and videos on lighting using natural light and studio lights.

[StudioLighting.net](#)

[Professional Photography 101 Lighting Tutorials](#)

[PhotoflexLightingSchool.com](#)

[Broncolor's Modifier Comparison page](#) shows the results from different light shapers compared to each other.

Lighting Diagrams

[DIY Photography's link](#) to [Kevin Kertz' Photoshop file](#).

[Lighting Diagram-Creator](#)] [Lighting Diagram-Creator](#): online version of Kevin Kertz' layout utility from Quoc-Huy

[Lighting Studio](#), an online lighting diagramming utility.

[PhotoDiagrams](#) online lighting diagramming utility.

MM Threads on GENERAL LIGHTING TECHNIQUES

[Make the eyes glow?](#) (Lighting tricks to optimize the eyes)

[Making eyes "pop"](#)

[Flashes or Lights???](#) (Shooting outside at night)

[Flash or Continuous light?](#)

[Is it wrong of me to use hotlights?](#)

[Moving from Constant Light to strobes, help please?](#)

[Strobe and Natural Lighting - Indoors](#)

[Film Noir - how to create this style?](#)

[\(Lighting a dark alleyway at night](#)

[How to mimic low light?](#)

[Fill flash on an old camera.](#) (Doing it manually)

[outdoor fashion; ringflash or batterypack with ...](#)

[I need some help with Lighting for Fine art ...](#)

[Most flattering light for an average female torso](#)

[Strobe fear](#)

[Shooting with one light...](#)

[Hard vs soft lighting..](#)

[Natural Sunlight Effect??](#) (Sunlight look from studio lights)

[How to use umbrellas](#) (Ed Shapiro article)

[Huge problem with indoor flashless photo lighting shadows!!](#)

[Lighting??](#) Lighting and shooting in an 11' x 11' room.

[Dumb lighting question/request!](#) (Comparing modifiers' looks)

[Quick question about high key](#)

["must have" modifiers for hotel glamour?](#) (As much about how-to as what modifiers)

[Playboy spec edition lighting.....](#)

[About your light setup...](#)

[Mixing modifiers \(light question\)..](#) (Multiple key lights)

[background lighting](#) (Graduated backgrounds)

[Studio lighting setup](#) (Technique, not equipment)

[Product lighting question.](#) (small glass products)

MM Threads on Studio Lighting Techniques

[Lighting Setup Tutorials: basic to advanced](#)

[One light setups](#)

[One Light Images](#)

[Post your only 1 light setups](#)

[2 and 3 light setups?](#) (Stephen Eastwood's consolidated answer thread)

[Using 2 lights.. \(post images?\)](#) (Barebulbs or umbrellas only.)

[Light Set Ups - 4 lights - Show your pictures](#)

[Lighting Your Subject](#) (share lighting tips and techniques)

[Let me guess your lighting!](#) (Many lighting examples, explanations, and diagrams)

[Ok, THIS is how i do it.....](#) (Vivid color glamour outside by Ransom/Novus)

[This is how i do it: Part Deux](#) (Vivid color glamour in-studio by Ransom/Novus)

[Studio lighting setup](#) (Technique, not equipment)

[Of Shutter Speed and Flash Photography](#) (With flash, the shutter speed is secondary at best)

[Inexpensive studio lighting tricks?](#) (\$150 max budget—tricks/techniques)

[background lighting](#) (Graduated backgrounds)

[Black Black backgrounds](#) (Getting a true black)

[lil help, lighting for a black background.](#) (Keeping it black)

[Forums > Photography Talk > How to make a black background BLACK!](#) (and not navy blue)

Beauty

(See also Beauty Dishes in Equipment post above)

[Best Beauty Lighting](#)

[Beauty Photography - How do you shoot it?](#) (Not just lighting. 6+ pages)

[Accent lights for beauty shots.](#)

[Creating this look with only two lights?](#) (Beauty shot)

[Help with Beauty/Fashion Lighting](#)

[Beauty Dish](#)

[beauty lighting setup](#)

Hair/Rim/Accent Lighting

[Question about the "hair light"](#)

[Hair/Rim light - what do you use and why?](#)

[is there a hair lighting secret?](#)

Vehicles

[Please help with lighting and technics](#) (Lighting a motorcycle)

[Lighting a motorcycle and individual at an event..](#)

[Studio lighting for motorcycles?](#)

[LIGHTING A LAMBORGHINI \(Black on Black\)](#)

MM Threads on Natural Lighting Techniques

[fill flash -swimsuit shoots in water](#)

[Getting good light in extreme overcast](#) (Getting enough light and contrast)

[Natural Light](#) (Examples)

[Natural Light](#) (MANY Examples)

MM Threads on Mixing Sunlight with Strobes (See [Portable and Location Lighting](#) below.)

MM Threads on UNUSUAL Lighting Techniques

[Light Painting..](#)

[Painting with light](#)

LOCATION LIGHTING and PORTABLE FLASH

Threads and articles on using flash outside and/or away from electrical outlets. Includes discussions about **inverters**, **generators**, and **battery-operated lights**.

On the 'Net

[Strobist](#): Blog about lightweight, inexpensive lighting solutions that give expensive-looking results.

[ProPhotoLife's "Professional Photographers' Grip Kit" video](#). (Location basics, clamps, cords, adapters, odds-and-ends, etc.)

MM Threads on PORTABLE FLASH options

[This is how I roll.... DIY power system](#) (Complete portable system, with wheels, lights, and power.)

[Cspine's super snazzy DIY 'Vagabond'](#) (Complete instructions with photos)

[Power Source for On-Location Shooting](#) (Generators, batteries, & dedicated DC units)

[Power strobes outside, invertors](#)

[Pro portable lighting](#)

[Portable Power?](#): Detailed part-list and build instruction for a DIY Vagabond-type battery/inverter system

[Digital monolights and generators](#)

[Portable Battery Power...](#)

[Homemade Portable Power Help](#)

[Portable power question.](#)

[What kind of lighting are u using on location??](#)

[options for portable battery powered strobes](#)

[Portable Lighting](#)

[location lighting equipment](#)

[Portable strobes & packs...what are you using?](#)

[Strobs Out Doors](#) (Examples more than equipment)

[Strobists w/SB-800 thread](#)

[Strobists and modifiers other than umbrellas](#)

[Bringing Studio strobes to the beach, good idea?](#)

[Speedlites?](#) (and other portable options)

[Vehicle power inverter enough to use a strobe?](#)

[using a power inverter with strobes](#)

[Best battery powered ring flash?](#)

[Inexpensive portable lighting??](#)

[DIY Vagabond Plans](#) (With instructions)

Brand-Specific options

[Alien Bees: Update on Power Invertors for AB's](#) (Samlex issue)

[AB Vagabond - need advice from experienced users](#)

[Any Broncolor Mobil users?](#)

[Elinchrom Ranger RX](#)

[Hensel Porty](#) (And others)

[Hensel: Traveling with a Hensel Porty Premium](#)

[Honda EU2000i for \\$700, is that a good deal?](#) (Generators and other options)

[Innovatronix portable battery unit](#) (US-built alternatives)

[Portable power that is affordable?](#) (Innovatronix Explorer XT)

[Norman 200B](#)

[Profoto Acute 1200/2400 location power...YOUR solution?](#)

[Profoto AcuteB 600R Generator](#) (And other battery-powered strobe units)

[Profoto AcuteB 600R Generator w/ Built-in Receiver](#)

[Profoto: who uses Profoto R600 lights](#)

[Profoto-7b](#)

[Speedotron Explorer 1500 Portable Power Supply](#)

[White Lighting Vagabond precautions](#) (Inverters, generators, grounding...)

[Vagabond II from Paul Buff](#)

[Vagabond II: Anyone using the Vagabond II](#) (Paul Buff's updated battery unit)
[Who has a Vagabond II???????](#) (2+ pages, 12/2008)
[Vagabond II work well with non Alien Bees Strobes?](#)
[Vagabond II question, is this dangerous?](#) (Grounding issues, wading in water)
[Vaggabond](#) (Inverter and battery options)
[White Lightning: Does white lightening need pure sine wave inverter](#)

Overpowering Sunlight

[overpowering the sun](#) (Examples with technical info)
[Ok, THIS is how i do it.....](#) (Both lighting and postproduction info from Ransom)
[Interesting effect](#) (Overpowering sunlight)
[Over powering the Sun?](#)
[Mimicing Sunlight](#)
[How many power?](#) (Overpowering sunlight)
[Overpowering Daylight 2.0](#)
[Overpowering the sun advice](#)
[How'd They Do This?! \(cuz I Wanna Do It!\) - I](#)
[Post your best "overpowering the sun" shot !](#)
[Shooting at Noon](#) (Working with/competing with the sun)
[How do you guys fight nasty 12 o' clock sunlight?](#)

Dealing with Overcast

[Tips For Shooting on a Overcast/Cloudy Day](#)
[overcast beach](#) (Shooting when gray and sunless)
[Shooting in overcast conditions](#) (2+ pages)
[Getting good light in extreme overcast](#)
[Tips for shooting on an overcast,misty gray day?](#)

Other Location Lighting Issues

[Big Modifier for One Light Location Shooting](#)
[Sturdy lighting stand outdoors...](#) (Keeping stands from falling over)
[Sandbags](#)
[Sandbags -- dumb question](#)
[Alien Bees Problem](#) (Keeping equipment from falling over outside)
[On location rig Ideas?](#)

(Last Updated 9/21/2009)

[Back to top](#)

DIY (Do It Yourself)

On the 'Net

[Strobist](#): Blog about lightweight, inexpensive lighting solutions that give expensive-looking results.

[DIYPhotography.net](#): Site devoted to Do It Yourself photography projects.

[Instructables.com's Photography projects](#)

[Dale Murray's PDF instructions for a good DIY sandbag](#)

MM Threads on DIY Modifiers and systems

[Your Best Homemade Light Modifier](#)

[Homemade light modifiers.here's what works for me](#) (5+ pages of ideas/examples)

[Sharing your Home made Photo accessories..](#)

[cheap light modifiers](#)

[post your best AlienBees hack](#) (Most work with all systems.)

[Has anyone built their own strobes?](#)

[cheap light setup](#)

[KINO-FLO lighting \(alternatives\)](#) (DIY Fluorescent lights)

[My new DIY Beauty Dish](#) (Umbrella Based)

[Cheap DIY reflectors?](#)

[Tips for making home-made reflectors.](#)

[DIY Zoom Spot](#)

DIY Ringlights

[I made a DIY studio ring light and it worked! YEY](#)

[It's about my new homemade ringflash...](#) (With construction photos)

[\\$6 Ringlight](#): Christmas lights, circular fluorescents...

[My homemade ringflash!](#)

[New DIY Ringflash.Post your DIY projects here,too!](#)

DIY Grids and Snoots

[Makeshift Grids](#) (With 6+ different ways to make them.)

[Shameless self-congratulatory home made grids thread](#)

[Lighting Snoot](#) (Alternatives and DIY)

DIY Battery Units

[DIY Vagabond Plans](#) (With instructions)

[Cspine's super snazzy DIY 'Vagabond'](#) (Complete instructions with photos)

[This is how I roll.... DIY power system](#) (Complete portable system, with wheels, lights, and power.)

[Vaggabond](#) (Inverter and battery options)

[Portable Power?](#): Detailed part-list and build instruction for a DIY Vagabond-type battery/inverter system

[Homemade Portable Power Help](#)

MM Threads on Other DIY projects

[home made backdrop, what kind of paint can I use ?](#)

[Jewelry Photography question](#) (DIY Shooting table)

(Last updated 9/2/2009)