

Drew Hierwarter has been a racing enthusiast for most of his life and has been a professional motorsports photographer for over twenty years. Beginning with sprint cars at long gone Speedway 117 in Chula Vista, California to tracks like Ascot Park in Gardena, Riverside Raceway, Phoenix International Raceway, all the way up to the present day Irwindale Speedway, Bristol Motor Speedway and Dragway, Drew has photographed them all. Sprint cars, midgets, and supermodifieds; stock cars from the local level to Nextel Cup and everything in between, along with all levels of drag racing.

In addition Drew has photographed concours d' elegance events, rod runs, and car shows of all sizes. If it rolls on wheels it has passed before Drew's lens. Drew has been consistently published in "Stock Car Racing Magazine", "Open Wheel Magazine", "National Speed Sport News", "Scale Auto", "Motor Trend", and many other national publications. In addition he was the official photographer for the NASCAR Southwest Series and the track photographer at Southern California's Cajon Speedway.

Born in New Jersey, Drew grew up reading about racing and studying the photographs of hot rods, drag cars and stock cars in the pages of "Hot Rod Magazine". After a stint in the United States Navy, he moved to Southern California in order to be in the middle of all the drag racing action. There he began to hone his photography skills using a Kodak Instamatic camera at tracks like Orange County International Raceway.

By the early '80s he had made the move up to 35mm equipment and started to get serious about his craft. After spending a few years shooting whatever races he could talk his way into, Drew sent a letter to "Stock Car Racing Magazine" requesting a photo credential for the upcoming NASCAR Winston Cup race at Riverside. He was accepted and his professional career was under way.

All of the experience Drew gained through his years of attending races while photographing and writing about them led to a position as the co-host of a popular weekly auto racing radio show on KFMB in San Diego, California. The show could be heard by millions from the Mexican border to Santa Barbara.

Now living in East Tennessee, Drew shoots the races at a variety of tracks all around the Southeast, in addition to taking in as many car shows and rod runs as his busy schedule will allow. Drew and his wife Skye have a 1928 Model A lakes roadster and a 1947 mercury coupe that they enjoy in addition to being active members in the local Mustang club. Drew also builds, photographs, and writes about scale model cars for “Model Cars” magazine.