

## NGUYEN NGOC HANH



Photographer Nguyen Ngoc Hanh

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Born in Ha Dong, North Vietnam in 1927, Nguyen Ngoc Hanh enrolled into the Vietnamese Air Force in 1950. After graduating from the French Toulouse School of Photography in 1956, he became a professional photographer.

In 1957, he founded the Vietnamese Military Photographic Society and in 1961 became the War Photographer for the RVNAF. He has since won many top awards from worldwide photographic societies.

Like other southern soldiers, he was sent to reeducation camps after 1975, and was released only in 1983 under the pressure of the Committee of German Advocates for Amnesty. After many failed escape attempts, he arrived to the U.S. in 1989.

In San Jose in 1990, he founded the Vietnamese Photographic Society, which later became the Vietnamese Photographic Society of northern California. Since relocating to the U.S., he has trained hundreds of professional photographers and has won 92 Gold medals, 112 Silver Medals, and numerous other awards during his long and outstanding career.

