Francie Schroeder:

Upon returning from Brazil as a Peace Corps volunteer I attended Brooks Institute of Photography where I studied commercial techniques using large format cameras, studio lights, film and and darkroom chemicals. But as life took its twists and turns I made the transitions to small cameras, mostly hand held, and to digital photography.

For many years I shared a photo studio on Capitol Hill, Washington, D C with my husband, Henry Eastwood. I worked for the Smithsonian Institution as a black and white printer, as a photographer at the National Zoo, as a writer and researcher for the Archives of American Gardens, a photographic collection, and again as a photographer of their gardens.

I now live full time in Rappahannock County, Va. In 2011 I joined the photo cooperative, Old Rag Gallery, and in 2020 I became a member of Middle Street Gallery, Washington, Va. and later of Artists in Middleburg, Middleburg, Va. I have had joint shows with my husband, Henry Eastwood and my son, Branden Eastwood and one person shows through Old Rag Photography and Middle Street Gallery.