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## Biography

Growing up in coastal Washington, I quickly and permanently bonded with and fell in love with the lush, natural environment. I hiked and skied in the nearby mountains, fished for native salmon in the rivers and marine waters and hunted for ducks, geese and pheasant in the forests. I was also interested in photography and science and obtained a degree from the University of Washington in dentistry. I was a dentist for the next 35 years while simultaneously pursuing a career in photography (participating in hundreds of nation-wide shows and having many of my works placed in museums and private collections along the way).

Twenty years ago, using small aircraft, I began examining and photographing the American landscape from the aerial perspective. I've focused on water issues and climate change, both of which are closely related. The aerials have resulted in two large bodies of work: the Watershed Investigations series and Global Warming: An American Perspective. Two years ago I quit my day job as a dentist to devote my energies exclusively to exhibiting my work and lecturing on climate change. I feel passionately that global warming is the most critical long-range issue facing our planet today. Education is the key to understanding and solving this complex conundrum.