

Monday, July 7. 2008

### **2008.07.07: Upcoming entries**

Here's what's coming up: Review of TriSquare's eXRS TSX300 900MHz digital two-way radio system from the point of view of a fashion photographer working on a remote location Pondering the upcoming Photokina 2008 (last Photokina of the decade!) in Koln, Germany Brief review of the Europe/Asia GSM HTC Touch Diamond PDA phone being used in Edmonton, Alberta on Fido and whether or not there is a reason to be worried about a lack of 850MHz (North American frequency) GSM support Why most photographers use Macs and why while I own both Macs and PCs, all of my serious photographic and printing work is done on a PC . . . plus some recommended parts for building your own fault-tolerant workstation Details of shooting West Edmonton Mall's Back to School campaign for RED the Agency and the most talented art director I've had the privilege of working with in Canada Photographic equipment purchasing strategy for the next few years Thank you for reading.

Posted by Klyment Tan in Weblog Specific at 04:10

### **2008.07.07: I am the most bitter person you'll meet**

Instead of complaining that my mail carrier pools our mail and brings it to the mailbox every two or three days as opposed to daily and that she'd rather put "you're not in" notices on my door without ringing the doorbell for parcels even though there are clearly people home because it means that she doesn't need to pack the boxes into her van, I should be grateful that she comes at all. Instead of fighting the parking ticket that a parking patrol officer claimed to have been issued at 3:10pm when I found it on my windshield at 2:58pm according to a radio-synchronized watch for parking in a peak hour (3pm to 6pm) parking zone, I should be grateful that my tax dollars are going to these upstanding members of society to help keep me honest and to open my eyes to imaginative new ways of telling time. My uh . . . trusted male makeup artist/hairstylist photographs better with my girlfriend than I do. (Cheers, Nikolas I should be grateful that there are people to borrow more photographic equipment from me than what most photographers will ever own in their entire lifetime. This way, if my studio gets broken into, I can call up these people and get my gear back. Come to think of it, it's time to collect. And who has my fog machine? Thanks for the Vistek Edmonton employees who took my "4600word essay", forwarded it to their sympathizers/friends and twisted my words in the face of others in an attempt to mislead them into believing that I am trying to get a whole store of workers fired. Your actions have put me in my place and I am now a much humbler, quieter, and happier customer of your store. Of course, inquisitive photographers will be interested in what this 4600 word e-mail contained along with some related correspondences with current and former employees of Vistek. You can CONTACT ME and get a SNEAK PEEK before I publish all of these words right here! I'm surrounded by incompetent people. Photographers, printers, computer hardware people, graphic artists, web developers, and sales people. Not that all of these people do lousy work all of the time. Rather, most of these people will fail you whenever you give them something important to do. But I should be thankful for these people as well; competition is an efficient motivator for progress therefore I have lots of motivation if I ever decide to partake in a race to the bottom.

Posted by Klyment Tan in Personal at 03:25