

## **Laura Anter**

*As a high school student, I discovered my passion for photography through an "old fashioned" photography class -- complete with darkroom and manual equipment/supplies. It helped me gain a better insight into the way photography works, what goes into a good photograph, and how all the hardware and camera components come together to create and capture an image. Nowadays, anyone with a digital camera thinks they are instantly a pro photographer. As technology moves more and more people to digital photography, it is important not to lose the art and skill that comes with learning and knowing the "old ways". Only then can we appreciate how to properly utilize the new ways. If we want to keep true photography alive, please keep the study of darkroom photography alive!*