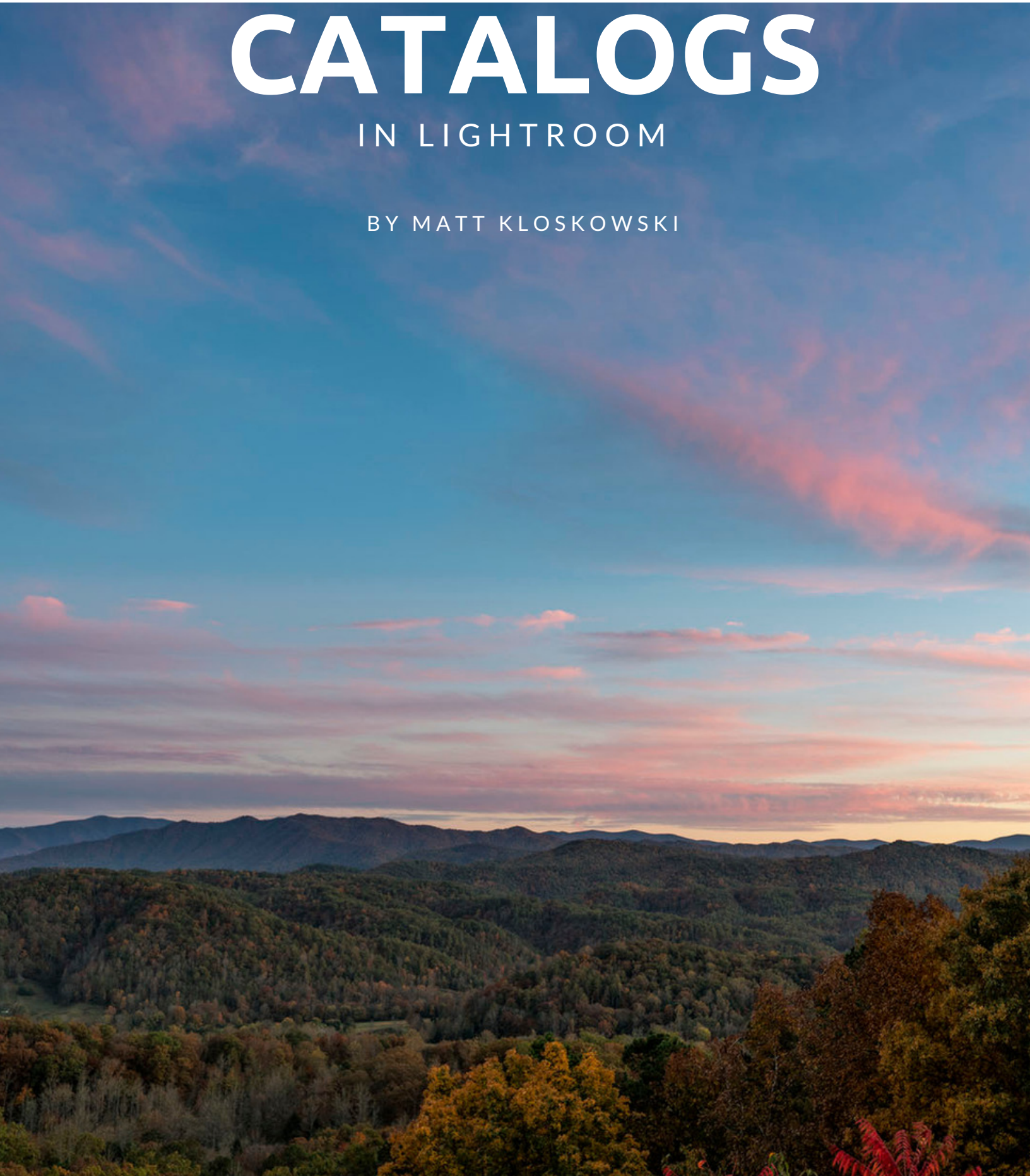# MASTERING
CATALOGS

IN LIGHTROOM

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WELCOME

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Mastering the Lightroom Catalog. This course was developed from the many questions I get about catalogs in Lightroom.

Everything from working between desktop and laptop, to backing up and restoring after a crash, all the way to merging catalogs as well as basic folder management within the catalog.

While catalogs may seem complex at first, I'm hoping this course shows you that you can indeed master them and feel comfortable about where your photos are and what's happening to them.

Enjoy!

- Matt Kloskowski

OUTLINE: MASTERING LIGHTROOM CATALOGS

1. About the Lightroom Catalog

2. The Most Important Thing to Know (photos on your hard drive)

3. Where is the catalog located?

4. What are those other files with the catalog?

5. Creating New / Multiple Catalogs and Why

6. How many photos can I have in Catalog

7. Switching / Opening Catalogs

8. Changing or Moving the catalog location

9. Setting a Default Catalog

10. Storing the catalog on a network?

11. Overall Catalog Settings: Auto Write XMP

12. Overall Catalog Settings: The Rest of Them

13. Moving Photos or Updating Folders

14. How to use a Desktop and Laptop (Method 1: Single Catalog)

15. How to use a Desktop and Laptop (Method 2: Single Catalog)

16. How to use a Desktop and Laptop (Method 3: Multiple Catalogs)

17. Moving the Catalog From One Computer to Another

18. Moving Presets From One Computer to Another

19. How to get rid of an old drive or volume

20. Renaming a Catalog

21. Backing Up Your Catalog

22. Backing Up Your Photos

23. Restoring After a Crash

24. Optimizing Catalogs

25. Deleting a catalog

26. Combining or Merging Catalogs

27. Upgrading to a new version of Lightroom

ADOBE LINKS

Adobe Catalog FAQ:

https://helpx.adobe.com/lightroom/kb/catalog-faq-lightroom.html

Adobe Lightroom Performance Tips:

https://helpx.adobe.com/lightroom/kb/optimize-performance-lightroom.html

BACKUP SOFTWARE LINKS

PC: Acronis True Image: https://www.acronis.com/en-us/

Mac: Super Duper:

https://www.shirt-pocket.com/SuperDuper/SuperDuperDescription.html

HARD DRIVE LINKS

G Technology 4 TB Drive: https://bhpho.to/2zuFYot

G Technology 6 TB Drive: https://bhpho.to/2knnLG8

G Technology 8 TB Drive: https://bhpho.to/2zeVAvk

G Technology 10 TB Drive: https://bhpho.to/2wQRbzM