

# Jarod Hodge

Jarod Hodge entered Naval Service on January 12<sup>th</sup> 2004 as a Photographers Mate. He attended Recruit Training in Great Lakes, Illinois. He completed Basic Still Photography school at the Defense Information School at Fort Meade Md., before heading out to his first assignment onboard the USS Kitty Hawk CV-63.

While onboard, the USS Kitty Hawk he served as Public Affairs Office LPO managing three personnel in the production of 109 issues of the ship's daily newspaper and coordination of ship tours in several ports including Sydney and Brisbane, Australia and Port Klang, Malaysia. His photographs were published in local and nationwide newspapers, AFN, on the world wide web, and various magazines. He was quoted as having the words most downloaded military photograph by MSN and Yahoo.com. His videos were played on AFN, Navy marine core news, and the pentagon channel. He supervised and trained over 40 military personal on various video and photography equipment and applications. He was in charge of over One hundred Twenty thousand dollars worth in photography equipment and supplies while being Repair Parts Petty Officer from Aug. 1, 05 – Nov. 1, 06 and also helped Japanese photographers with their books while onboard Kitty Hawk. After the merger of the media ranks, he went back to DINFOS to retrain as a broadcaster before being assigned to AFN Tokyo.

While stationed at AFN Tokyo he produced 200+ "Pacific Report" and "Pacific Magazine" programs seen worldwide by 2.6 Million viewers. He was responsible for 20% of station's news output; 35% of its command information products. Spearheaded, developed and launched AFN Tokyo's live regional 1 & 2 minute news updates. He trained 11 broadcasters on all the equipment in production. Mastered complex television automation system; scheduling 150+ TV spots on 7 AFN channels and ensured timely, targeted information to 73k military personnel. He initiated posting all station products on web; Increasing in AFN Tokyo's visibility worldwide.

After leaving the Navy, Hodge worked as a freelance photographer where his work has been seen on several websites and has been displayed in local art exhibitions in and around Tokyo.