



## Hap Griffin

Hap's lifelong interests have been astronomy, electronics and music. He has been successful in all three interest.

Hap is Vice-President for Engineering for a statewide PBS television and NPR radio affiliate network, and plays guitar in two classic rock bands.

His passion for astronomy goes all the way back to his toddler days, as his grandmother always said that his first word was "moon" when they used to sit on the front porch of his house and stargaze while he was still in diapers.

For the past 15 years, Hap has been the VP for Engineering for a network of 11 TV stations and 8 radio stations, having worked in nearly every technical position from bench tech to Chief Engineer.

His experience in electronics and TV camera optical systems made it a natural extension to begin modifying DSLR's make them more sensitive to hydrogen-alpha light for astrophotography.

At the same time, his talent for building all things electronic from his ham radio hobby (WZ4O) led him into building computer controlled long-exposure cables for DSLR's, first for his friends and then as a sideline business which he later expanded to include DSLR modifications.

To date, Hap has modified over 400 DSLR's and you can see references to his work all over the internet. Hap's astronomical DSLR images have been published in several books and magazines.

Hap holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina in Electrical Engineering and is a practicing licensed Professional Engineer in that state.

