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## *St. Petersburg Times* names New Director of Photography

**St. Petersburg, FL - Boyzell Hosey** has been named the new Director of Photography at the *St. Petersburg (FL) Times*.

A native of Pennsylvania, Hosey studied at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh and Ohio University and worked at *The State* newspaper in Columbia, S.C., before joining the *Times* in 1988 as a photographer and editor.

Hosey, 41, has supervised *Times* photo staffs in Clearwater and Tampa and served as interim photo director since last August when Sue Morrow resigned as photo director. He will manage a staff of 46 photographers, photo editors and technicians.

“Boyzell’s integrity, high standards, relationship building, and visionary leadership stood out in a very competitive field of candidates,” said managing editor **Stephen Buckley** in announcing the appointment to the staff on January 13.

“In recent months we’ve seen him at his best,” added Buckley. “...drawing great work out of the photo staff during big stories such as Hurricane Katrina. ...Boyzell’s leadership played a major role in helping our staff win nine awards at the prestigious Atlanta Photojournalism Seminar for its work in 2005, more than any other newspaper in that national contest.”

Hosey said he hopes to improve communication among the photo staff and to capitalize on their journalistic abilities as a whole, having photographers contribute information liberally to captions and stories.

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