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Motion Horizons LLC unveils Bolt Hunter, the most advanced lightning photography tool ever built.

Bolt Hunter launches on Kickstarter on **March 3, 2026 at 8:00 AM PST**.

MSRP is \$349. Early backers save over 20%, with launch pricing starting at \$279.

Sacramento, CA — Motion Horizons LLC recently announced Bolt Hunter, a purpose-built lightning camera trigger engineered to solve the most common failures in storm photography: missed daytime strikes, over-exposed nighttime shots, and unpredictable shutter timing.

A trigger that doesn't just react. *It analyzes. It predicts.*

"We designed Bolt Hunter to address the complaints and shortcomings of every trigger on the market," said Jeff Boyce, Founder of Motion Horizons LLC. *"Instead of building a do-it-all device that's marginal at many things, we built something exceptional at one thing: lightning photography."*

Traditional triggers react to brightness spikes. Bolt Hunter goes further. It analyzes lightning in real time by detecting faint precursor activity, measuring and compensating for camera shutter lag, and synchronizing exposure timing with expected return-stroke intervals. The result: the shutter opens early enough to capture photogenic stepped leaders more consistently, and predictively fires on subsequent return strokes to significantly improve capture reliability.

Smarter Detection & Timing

Bolt Hunter is engineered to work in dynamic ambient light conditions that defeat other triggers.

- Measures your camera's actual shutter lag and helps reduce it
- Automatically adjusts to ambient light changes: set sensitivity once and leave it
- Detects and triggers on lightning even when pointed directly into the sun
- Night Mode works like a trigger in reverse, controlling the camera's shutter in BULB Mode to shoot long-exposure, then ending the exposure before repeated strokes over-expose the shot

Nearly Universal Compatibility

Bolt Hunter is compatible with more cameras than any other trigger currently available.

- Uses standard, non-proprietary shutter cables for maximum compatibility
- Supports Bluetooth triggering for cameras with no physical shutter port (ie. Canon R50)
- Compatible with newer USB-C shutter connectors, including recent Sony models (ie. Sony A7V)



Built for the Field

Lightning photography is difficult, transient, and unpredictable. Bolt Hunter was designed accordingly.

- Rapid deployment with single-button setup, no phone app or menu required
- Compact weather-sealed design built to survive even the heaviest downpours
- No more 9v batteries: 48+ hour runtime with internal lithium battery & USB-C charging
- Auto-tightening cold shoe mount: no slipping, no moving parts
- Sacrificial mount design that protects the camera during hard falls (\$15 user-replaceable part)

Workflow-Driven Features

Bolt Hunter integrates directly into real storm-chasing workflows.

- Built-in intervalometer runs timelapses while simultaneously triggering on lightning
- Integrated lightning simulation mode for field testing and return-stroke evaluation
- Bluetooth mobile companion app for advanced configuration, shutter lag tools & firmware updates
- Connection monitoring alerts if cable becomes loose or camera power is lost
- Motion detection alerts optionally notify users if the camera tips over or moves unexpectedly
- Integrated speaker optionally provides audible confirmation and error alerts

Field-Tested by Leading Photographers

Bolt Hunter has undergone extensive real-world testing by well-known and respected photographers.

- Veteran storm chaser **John Sirlin** calls Bolt Hunter *"better than anything I've used before."*
- Award-winning photographer **Connor Healey** reports that his *"capture rate is absolutely insane."*
- Professional photographer, workshop guide, and lightning strike survivor **Lori Grace Bailey** says: *"Bolt Hunter instantly became my go-to for its rock solid performance."*
- Internationally recognized photographer **Rob Gallucci** adds: *"This changes everything."*
- Storm Chaser **Jim Tang** concludes *"The best trigger I've ever used by far, and it's not even close."*

Launch & Availability

Bolt Hunter launches on Kickstarter on March 3, 2026 at 8:00 AM PST, with early-bird pricing beginning at \$279. Manufacturing is underway, with the first production units scheduled for April delivery.

Learn more & subscribe for updates at: www.BoltHunter.io and on the Kickstarter page:

<https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/bolthunter/bolt-hunter-the-future-of-lightning-photography/>

High-resolution product images, sample lightning captures, and media materials are attached. Review units will be available in April following the Kickstarter campaign. Media outlets interested in securing a review unit, scheduling an interview, or requesting additional materials may contact Jeff Boyce at info@bolthunter.io or (916) 469-5035.