



2018 Photo Contest

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PHOTO CONTEST 2018

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LOCATED IN
Bangor State Fair
Grandstand

RULES

(Please read ALL rules carefully to avoid disqualification)

- ❖ **Please** read Rule #7 carefully for print size and matting requirements.
 - ❖ **All prints MUST be mounted on foam core or other rigid backing.**
 - ❖ **ALL** information required in Rule #6 **MUST** be on the back of the print (back side of the rigid photo backing) **AND** on the photo entry tickets.
1. This contest is open to all photographers. Persons **16** years of age or younger will be judged separately, unless the entrant states a preference to have their images judged with the Adult Class Categories. This is a change from previous years: Please read the description of “Adult” and “Youth” categories on page 3 for more information.
 2. Entries will be limited to **one** black & white and **one** color print in each adult category; **two** black & white and **two** color prints may be entered in the Youth category. Prints may be prepared using either a film or digital photographic process. You may not use the same image in more than one format; e.g. you cannot use the same beautiful flower close-up in color prints and B&W prints.
 3. Entry fees (**Fees are per person. Please make checks out to Bangor State Fair**):
 - a. Adult (17 years old and over) – **\$15**
 - b. Youth (16 years old and under) – **\$5**
 4. Any photograph which is determined by the committee or judges to not conform to the category entered will be moved into a more appropriate category for judging, unless this causes the entrant to exceed the number of prints allowed in that category. If there is no category available, the image will be disqualified.
 5. Pictures entered in a previous Photo Contest at the Bangor State Fair will not be accepted and will be disqualified.
 6. The following information must be on the reverse side of each entry: the entrant’s **name, address, phone number, the category** (see Adult and Youth Class Categories page 3), and the location where the photo was taken. This is in addition to the information on the photo tickets, in case they get separated from the print. **Please include a title for the image on the back.** There can be **NO writing or anything else added to the front of the print** which might influence or distract the judges. **DO NOT** sign the front of the print. Complete the Bangor State Fair Photo Contest Registration Form and the Photo Tickets for your prints prior to delivery to the Bangor Civic Center. Attach the photo tickets to your prints (one for each print) per the instructions included with the registration form.

7. Prints (image area) must be at least **8 inches by 10 inches** or larger, but **NOT** larger than **16 inches by 20 inches**, including matte. Panoramas are OK, but the long dimension must be within the 20 inch limit. Images **must be mounted on a backing, either foam core or other RIGID (inflexible) backing, no more than ¼ inch thick**. Mattes are optional, but are highly recommended to help protect the print. **No** construction paper. **No** frames. **No** canvas wraps. (SEE ILLUSTRATION.)

Photo Mounted On Backing



Front Matte in Place



8. Image Manipulation—The following rules regarding image manipulation will apply:
- Color or B&W prints in all categories **EXCEPT** Nature may include any addition, modifications or manipulations, as long as they are the original work of the maker. Traditional toning (e.g. sepia, blue, silver) is allowed in all B&W categories, **INCLUDING** Nature, as long as it is still a monochrome image.
 - Nature images may not show the "hand of man," nor contain artificially produced hybrid plants or animals, mounted specimens or obviously set arrangements. Any form of manipulation that alters the truth of the photographic statement is ineligible. Limited manipulations may include resizing, cropping, selective or overall lightening or darkening and restoration of the original color of the scene. No special effect filters, including blur to simulate out-of-focus areas, may be applied. Sharpening is allowed but must appear natural. Conversion to black and white is obviously allowed for the B&W nature category, but the conversion must be complete; i.e. no selective display of color within a B&W scene, or vice versa.
9. Photos may be delivered to the contest either by mail or in person.
- Mailed photos** should be sent to: **PHOTO CONTEST 2018, c/o the Cross Insurance Center, 515 Main Street, Bangor, ME 04401**. Pictures mailed to Photo Contest 2018 must be received no later than 4:00 PM, Friday, July 20th, 2018. Include registration form, fee and photo ticket(s) with photos. Entries to be returned by mail to you must be MAIL READY (proper container, stamps, etc.).
 - To deliver photos in person**, bring your prints to the **Fair Grandstand** on Monday, July 23rd, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Entry to the print drop-off area will be through the doors on the North East or South East side of the grandstand, near the west end of the building. There will be signs to guide you.
10. All photos must be removed from the Grandstand by their makers, or someone acting for them, on Monday, August 6th, from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Arrangements must be made with the Eastern Maine Camera Club if you are not able to collect your entries during this time. For further information, email: info@easternmainecameraclub.org.

ADULT CLASS CATEGORIES (Over 16 years old):

(Note: One Black & White plus one Color print per category. No nudes in any category.)

1. People
2. Children
3. Nature—the “hand of man” cannot be evident in the picture.
4. Animals
5. Flowers
6. Open—Any subject matter in good taste.
7. Maine—Photos that symbolize Maine and were taken in Maine.
8. Anything with Wheels—Any subject matter with wheels as an important element in the composition, either transportation or machine related.

Prize money and ribbons in all the above categories include: First Place, \$20.00; Second Place, \$15.00; Third Place, \$10.00; Ribbons only will be awarded for Honorable Mention.

YOUTH CATEGORIES (16 years old and under):

(Note: Two Black & White plus two Color prints per category. No nudes in any category.)

Open—The only category for Youth entries this year is Open, which is “any subject matter in good taste.” Any Youth photographer (16 and under) may enter up to two color AND two black and white prints. Please indicate on your registration form how many prints of each type you are entering.

Prize money and ribbons the Youth categories include: First Place, \$20.00; Second Place, \$15.00; Third Place, \$10.00; Ribbons only for Honorable Mention.

Please indicate on your registration form whether you are entering as an Adult or a Youth. If you are 16 or under, but choose to compete as an Adult, you may not enter in the Youth categories at the same time.

BEST IN SHOW:

ADULT CLASS: \$100.00 each for color and black & white

YOUTH CLASS: \$100.00 (One award in either color or black & white.)

All prints MUST be mounted on foam core or other rigid backing.

The contest committee reserves the right not to award ribbons and premiums to photos deemed not worthy by the judges, or to combine categories when numbers of entries are insufficient.

Prize money will be forfeited if any print is removed from display before Mon, August 7th.

ALL DECISIONS OF THE CONTEST COMMITTEE AND JUDGES WILL BE FINAL.

DEVIATION FROM THE ABOVE RULES WILL AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFY YOUR ENTRIES.

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE GIVEN REASONABLE CARE. THE COMMITTEE OR BANGOR STATE FAIR CANNOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR DAMAGED PHOTOS, OR PHOTOS NOT PICKED UP WITHIN 30 DAYS.



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2018 PHOTO CONTEST
 REGISTRATION FORM
 &
 PHOTO TICKET INSTRUCTIONS

<p>PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY</p> <p>NAME _____</p> <p>STREET _____</p> <p>CITY _____</p> <p>TELEPHONE _____</p> <p>EMAIL _____</p>	<p>Number of Photos Entered:</p> <p>_____ Color Prints</p> <p>_____ Black & White Prints</p>
	<p>Which category applies to you?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Adult (17 years old and over)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Youth (16 years old and under)</p>
<p>Fee Enclosed (One form and fee per person. Only one person per form.):</p> <p>_____ Adult – \$15 _____ Youth – \$5</p>	
	<p>ALL PRINTS MUST BE MOUNTED ON FOAM CORE OR OTHER RIGID BACKING.</p>

Submit this form, along with the photo(s), fee, and Photo Ticket(s) from the Photo Ticket forms at the same time. Packages must be received at the address above no later than 4:00 PM, Friday, July 20, 2018, or may be dropped off in person on Monday, July 23, 2018, from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Bangor State Fair Grandstand.

1. Fill out a photo Ticket for each entry.
2. Do not write in the "Seq. num." or "Awards" boxes. These are for contest officials only.
3. Check off the appropriate box for Adult/Youth and Color or B/W.
4. Place the mounted photo face down.
5. Write your name, address, phone number, category, and location photo was taken on the back of the mounting board in case the Photo Ticket comes off.
6. Place the Photo ticket face down in the lower right hand corner of the mounting board. Align the ticket so that it hangs below the mounting board, as shown.



7. Tape the top of the ticket to the mounting board as shown.



8. Fold the ticket up at the dotted line.



9. Use a post-it note or small piece of tape to temporarily hold the ticket up for judging.



10. When the contest officials hang the photo for display after the judging, the ticket will be released so that it hangs below the mounting board to identify the photographer.



