

Photographic Society of Chattanooga

2012 Youth Photography Showcase Rules

Goals

The goal of the Youth Showcase sponsored by the Photographic Society of Chattanooga is to involve high school students in photography, and to highlight outstanding photographs from high school age students in **grades 9-12**, in public, private, and home schools as well as in youth groups. ***This is the first year that the contest will be open to schools worldwide - not just in the USA - and digital images in addition to prints may be submitted.*** This is an excellent opportunity for students to share their work across all boundaries and receive recognition for their efforts.

Participation - Please Note Change: Now Includes Digital Entries

Any student may enter up to six (6) **prints** – one in each of categories 1-4, and two in category 5.

Any student may enter up to five (5) **digital images** - one in each of the 5 categories. However, the PSC YPS Committee reserves the right to review the subject matter of all images before the judging of images. Images that the committee considers to pertain to negative messages will not be judged. Please read the separate procedures for submitting prints and digital files before you enter the contest.

Print Submission Procedure

Each student may submit 5" X 7" up to 9" X 12" unmounted photographs prints, two entries in the Photographer's Choice category and one each for the four remaining categories listed below, in either black and white or color.

The Five Selection Categories

1. **Architecture** – Architecture can be a building or structure of any type, or any part thereof, including windows, doors, roofs, stairways, steeples, towers, domes, etc.
2. **People and/or Animals** – An individual or a group of people and/or pets or other animals including birds, fish, reptiles, or insects, a combination being acceptable
3. **Scapes** – A scene as of land, sea, city, clouds, etc. can be part of scapes.
4. **Photojournalism** – A photo recounting a story or news item generally dealing with news events, human interest, sports, disasters, etc., are acceptable. (Cannot be manipulated in any way)
5. **Photographer's Choice or Creative** – This category can be a photo of any subject. (This is an open category, and use of any photographic technique, photo manipulation, or software is acceptable.)

Additional Rules and Information

1. Photographs **must have been taken by the entrant**. By entering the competition, you are stating the image was taken by you. However, the print can be made by another party or commercial source.
2. Students **MUST** sign the "permission to reproduce portion" of the entry form.
3. An entrant may submit prints from only one high school or organization.
4. Print entries shall be no smaller than 5" X 7" and no larger than 9" X 12" in size, either with or without borders, and be submitted **unmounted**. ***Draw an up arrow to indicate the top of your photography, please.*** Place in a plastic sleeve, such as notebook page protectors.
5. Prints **MUST** have titles. "Untitled" is not an acceptable title, nor is numbering for identification. Prints without proper titles will not be accepted.
6. **No fees will be charged** to participate in this program. The deadline for entry is **March 3, 2012**. Bring entries to the St. John United Methodist Church at 3921 Murray Hills Drive, near the intersection of Hwy. 153 and Hwy. 58 on **Saturday, March 3, 2012 between 10:00 a.m. and noon**, or contact Mark Gilliland, youthcontest@chattanoogaphoto.org
7. To make other arrangements prior to March 3. **Directions:** Exit Hwy 153 onto Hwy 58 North. Turn left at the first stop light onto Murray Hills Drive. Church is on the right, Parking surrounds the church - please go in at the entrance under the blue awning - a sign will be on the door for Youth Photography Showcase.
8. Please clearly fill out **all parts of the Print Submission Form** so that contact can be made with sponsors by e-mail and with the winners during the summer. **One form is required for each photo**. Print clearly to avoid incorrect listings. Be sure the school, town, and state are included. Leave the control number blank. Cut the form apart

where indicated and tape the **lower** label to the back of each corresponding photographic entry. Guard against stickiness.

9. Local winners will be announced at the Photographic Society of Chattanooga meeting on April 19, 2012 at **St. John United Methodist Church**. You will be notified if you have won prior to the meeting (by April 12, 2012) so that you may invite parents and/or other guests to attend with you. One winner in categories 1-4, and two for category 5, for each school will be selected if there are that many entries. Winners from each school will receive ribbons, and one winner in each category selected from among all schools will receive a small cash prize.
10. If your image is selected as a winner in Chattanooga, it will be sent to the national competition, and will not be returned to you. Non-winning images will be returned at the meeting on April 19, 2012 - after that they will not be returned. If you cannot be at the meeting, you may make prior arrangements to have them picked up by someone else at the meeting.
11. For more information, contact Mark Gilliland, youthcontest@chattanoogaphoto.org

**2012 PRINT ENTRY FORM
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PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA
YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY SHOWCASE
2012 PRINT ENTRY FORM

PLEASE PRINT IN BLOCK LETTERS

Control Number# _____
(leave blank)

Title _____ Category _____

Maker's Name _____ E-mail _____

Home Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of School/Organization _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Teacher's/Sponsor's Name _____ E-mail _____

Please type, clearly print, or use address labels. DON'T OMIT E-MAIL ADDRESSES!

The entrant permits the sponsors to reproduce the entered material for publication and/or display in media related to the competition.

Student's Signature _____

PSA Member Sponsor Photographic Society of Chattanooga (Chapter **(Club)** Council)

Name of Persons Responsible Mark Gilliland Email: youthcontest@chattanoogaphoto.org

Address: P. O Box 8886 City/State/Zip: Chattanooga, TN 37414

I certify that this photograph, submitted for entry in this activity, has been selected from work done by a high school age student which has been juried by a PSA group of which I am a member.

(leave blank)

Signed (or stamp) _____

Deadline for entries is March 3, 2012. Take print entries to St. John United Methodist Church, 3921 Murray Hills Drive, between 10:00 AM - noon. A sign for Youth Photography Showcase will be on the door you are to enter. *Each print entry must be accompanied by these completed forms. Please duplicate this form as needed. Please enclose each print in a plastic sleeve, such as a notebook page protector.*

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LETTERS		Maker's Name _____
		School/Organization _____ Town _____ State _____

Digital Submission Procedure

Any high school student, grades 9-12, may enter up to **5** digital images - **one** in each of the 5 categories in either black and white or color.

The Five Selection Categories

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2. An entrant may submit digital images from only one high school or organization.
3. Submit digital images that are no greater than 1024 pixels wide and 768 pixels high.
4. Images may be in either black and white or color.
5. Images **MUST** have titles (to be submitted with the images online - see below). "Untitled" is not an acceptable title, nor is numbering for identification. Images without proper titles will not be accepted.
6. **No fees will be charged** to participate in this program.
7. The deadline for entry is **March 3, 2012**; however, there will be an online form available prior to that date.
8. Please clearly fill out **all parts** of the **online Digital Entry Form** so that contact can be made with any national winners during the summer.
9. The maximum allowable horizontal dimension (width) is 1024 pixels; the maximum allowable vertical dimension (height) is 768 pixels. The image files must be in "jpeg" format. All images will be checked for the proper dimensions and file type as they are received.
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12. If your image is selected as a winner in Chattanooga, it will be sent to the national competition.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY SHOWCASE 2012 DIGITAL ENTRY FORM

1. The Youth Showcase Digital Entry Form will be online in February at http://chattanooga-photo.org/Activities/Contests/Youth_Photo%20graphy/youth.php
2. The deadline for digital entries is **March 3, 2012**.
3. Be sure to fill in all information requested, such as image titles, your name and contact info, what school you attend, etc. It will be self-explanatory.

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