Each year we put our heads together and plan for the next year's show keeping in mind what you the photographer would like to see or see changed. So, this year we are planning a few minor changes. First, the limit of photos per category will change. Instead of three total it will be 1 photo per category. The categories are also going to change slightly. This list may change during the year but this is currently what we came up with and hopefully it will open up more possibilities to everyone. The categories are: animals, people, nature, elements of nature, man-made and flowers. On the next page you will see a description of each category to help you determine how to categorize your photos. We are anxiously waiting for our next show and look forward to seeing your amazing work! Show forms will be posted on our website this summer so stay tuned!

Animals

These contest entries are images of all kinds of animals. They can be pictures of pets - dogs and puppies, cats and kittens, birds, reptiles, amphibians - as well as photos of wildlife, zoo life, farm / domesticated animals, and even insects.

- Pets
- Wildlife
- Zoo and farm animals

People

These are pictures of people in all walks of life parenting and family, children, cute baby pics, couples and relationships, models / fashion, people engaged in fun outdoor activities, etc.

Nature

These pictures include landscapes, outdoor scenics, nature images, sunsets, urban landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, and farms - to name a few.

These images showcase **outdoor beauty**.

- Landscapes
- Scenics
- Outdoors

Elements of Design

These artistic images make good use of graphic elements of design. We are looking for photos that showcase **line**, **shape**, **pattern**, **form**, **texture**, **perspective**, **etc**. They can consist of any subject matter.

- Perspective
- Line
- Pattern

We are also looking for images that demonstrate cool photographic techniques, such as bokeh and motion blur.

This category is NOT for:

 Graphic design illustrations made in a program like Adobe Illustrator and extreme digital creations do not belong in this category. Here we are looking for the elements of design - line, shape, pattern, etc.

Man-Made

This category is for:

- Transportation trains, planes, cars, etc.
- Architecture
- Industry
- Cityscapes

Flowers

We are looking for really **interesting**, **unique**, **and beautiful** pictures of flowers in this category. They can be shot outdoors, photographed in the studio, or in an arrangement on your kitchen table... and at any angle of view.

- Floral portraits rose, iris, daisy, tulip... you name it.
- Fields of wildflowers
- Close-up images of flowers