

Natural Area Preservation Photo Contest 2009 Entry Form

Categories: Native Trees and Shrubs of Southeastern Michigan, Stewardship (People Caring for Nature)

Contest rules and guidelines:

1. All pictures must be the original work of the applicant.
2. Photos must be taken in Southeastern Michigan.
3. Photos should be relevant to the contest categories.
4. The contest is open to all photographers, amateur and professional. There are three age categories: Youth (under eleven), Teen (eleven to seventeen), and Adult (eighteen and over).
5. Up to five photos may be submitted by each entrant. Please send *both*:
 - Hard copy prints, 4 x 6 to 8 x 10, without frames or matting, with completed photo label (see below) attached to each print.
 - Electronic files on a disc, or directly emailed to: nap@a2gov.org. Digital file resolution must be no smaller than 72 dpi, and may be submitted as a .TIF, .JPEG, or .PSD.
6. Use provided photo labels to indicate title, category, and optional comments about each photo.
7. Entry fee is ten dollars for adults and no charge for youth or teen. This fee covers all photos submitted, and is used to run the contest.
8. All contestants must sign the release on the next page. If contestant is under eighteen, a parent or guardian must sign the release.
9. By entering this contest, contestants agree to abide by its guidelines and waive all claims of any kind against the organizers of this contest.
10. Photos must be received in NAP's office by 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 4, 2009.
11. Winners will be announced, and prizes awarded at NAP's volunteer appreciation potluck on October 29th. All entrants are invited to the potluck. Winners will be notified in advance. Prizes will be sent to winners unable to attend the potluck.

For help with identifying native plants, consult our website at www.a2gov.org/nativeplants . If you have any further questions, please call NAP at 734-794-6627 or email: nap@a2gov.org.

Print name: _____

Address: _____ City & State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Age category: ___ Youth (age: ___) ___ Teen (age: ___) ___ Adult

How did you hear about NAP's Photo Contest? _____

Would you like to receive our newsletter? (Winners will be announced in the winter edition.)

___ YES! ___ No, thanks ___ I already receive it

Adult entrants enclose check for ten dollars, made payable to: City of Ann Arbor.

Staff Use Only: ___ payment received, ___ youth/teen

Over please

Photo Judging Criteria

Photos will be judged by three contest judges according to the following:

1. How well the photo reflects contest categories.
2. Technical merit (focus, exposure, color).
3. Artistic merit (composition, originality)
4. Unusualness or difficulty of getting the shot.
5. Mastery of craft (Evidence of conscious choices in using the camera: selective depth of field, varying exposure, shutter speed, or other camera setting for heightened effect.)

Note: Special effects with photoshop in which the image is obviously altered are not recommended.

Natural Area Preservation Photo Contest Photo Release Form

I understand and agree that all photo entries become the property of Natural Area Preservation (NAP) and will not be returned. NAP is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged CDs or prints. By submitting this entry I agree to all rules and guidelines of the contest, and I give NAP permission to publish and display all or portions of my submitted images, with compensation being my name credited as photographer. I have received permission from all people in the submitted photographs for use of their image as part of my entry into the Natural Area Preservation Photo Contest.

Submitted by (please sign name): _____ Date: _____

If under eighteen years of age:

Parent/guardian's name (please print): _____

Parent/guardian's signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send completed entry form, entry fee, disc (if files are not emailed) and prints to:

Photo Contest
Natural Area Preservation
1831 Traver Rd.
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

We look forward to seeing your pictures.

THANK YOU!

The NAP Staff



PHOTO LABELS—Clip and attach to photos. Use additional blank sheets of paper if you need more room for comments!

Photographer: _____ Phone number: _____

Title: _____

Category: (circle one) *Native Trees and Shrubs of Southeastern Michigan / Stewardship* (circle one) Youth/Teen/Adult

Stories or comments (optional): _____

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