

Fields of Vision
Photography Competition

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO OCTOBER 28, 2021 *

Due to the uncertainty of the delta variant of COVID, sponsors of the *Fields of Vision* Photo Contest announce that we will postpone the gallery exhibition at the Adler Arts Center until January 2022. This will enable us to extend the deadline for participants an additional four weeks to Thursday, October 28. Previously announced guidelines promoted in the Guidelines and Registration will still be in effect. To participate, register here: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx?name=E6340&id=57>

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

You're invited to participate in a unique photo contest that focuses on taking images of the Green Corridor, the beautiful land that was once slated by the State to be the extension of Rte. 53. A coalition made up of environmental groups including the Sierra Club Illinois' local Woods & Wetlands Group, the Lake County Audubon Society, Openlands, Friends of Indian Creek Wetlands, Livable Lake County, and Midwest Sustainability Group welcomes participants to join its sponsored photo contest of these stunning natural landscapes.

No photography experience is required, and participants can live anywhere. The competition is restricted to amateur-level photographers only, rather than professionals. There is a one-time \$10 entrance fee for adults, and children are free - all proceeds go towards the contest. Photos must be taken within the corridor, which is highlighted on a map here: <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/396be23d2f0d49dcb36e3c2b2296aea3>. If you're unfamiliar with this scenic greenway, the map shows several beautiful places open to the public. The map shows that photos from anywhere along the corridor are eligible as long as people have legal (and permitted) access to the property. Entries must be received on or before October 28, 2021.

Prizes up to \$400 will be awarded for winning photos that place in the top three of each category, and the winning selections will be displayed in an exhibition at the Adler Arts Center during early 2022. They will also be displayed on the participating organizations' websites.

This competition is made possible through funds from and cooperation of the Sierra Club Illinois' local Woods & Wetlands Group, Lake County Audubon Society, Openlands, and the Adler Arts Center.

GUIDELINES

ELIGIBILITY

No photography experience is required, and participants can live anywhere. The competition is restricted to amateur-level photographers only.

Adults (over 18 years of age) will pay a one-time \$10 judging fee for up to three photo entries. Photographers up to 18 may submit up to three photo entries for free. Categories of awards are: Advanced Amateurs; Amateurs 18+ (age brackets 18 & above); Amateurs ages 18 and under.

ENTRIES: HOW-TO, MEDIA AND SIZE

All work must be original, not photographs/scans of an original photo. All entries will be judged from digital files (jpg) in color or black & white. The file size must be no larger than 1400 X 1050 for landscape mode. If photo is in portrait mode, then use file sizes no larger than 750 X 1050. Any post-production software is acceptable to use as long as it's your own work, e.g., Photoshop, Elements, Topaz.

FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS TO CREATE YOUR FILE NAME USING CODES BELOW:

- **Name**: First 4 letters of your last name and first letter of your first name, e.g., Mary Smith = SmitM
- **Experience Category Codes**: **Advanced Amateur -1**
 Amateur -2
 18 and under -3
- **Subject Category Codes**:
 - **Landscapes**—should be an image that promotes nature or the environment. May or may not contain people. (Code L)
 - **Close-up/Macro**—will include images with a nature-based theme such as flowers and/grasses (with insects if desired). (Code C)
 - **Wildlife**—includes all wildlife except for pets and insects. (Code W)
- **Title**: Title can be no more than 30 characters including spaces. EX: *A Beautiful Sunflower*

Example: Mary Smith is an Amateur entering an image in the Close up/Macro category. So, using the formula to construct a filename for this contestant, it would be:

SmitM-2-C- A Beautiful Sunflower.jpg

SUBMISSION: Include Name (First and Last); Address; City, State, Zip; Daytime phone; Email address.

Submit up to three digital files in .jpg to greencorridorcoalition@gmail.com. Address inquiries to the same email address. Entries must be received on or before **Thursday, October 28, 2021**

CRITERIA: Work will be judged on originality of concept, technical expertise, and impact.

AWARDS

Each of the winning Advanced Amateur photographers will be eligible for an Award of Excellence in the amount of \$400, \$250 and \$125 for first, second, and third place positions. Amateurs will be divided into over 18 years of age and under 18 and will be eligible for Awards of Excellence in their separate age category in the amount of \$200, \$150, and \$100 for first, second, and third place positions. Judging period for the competition will be between November 3 and November 10, 2021. Winning entrants will be informed by email directly no later than November 22, 2021.

WINNING PHOTOS INFO:

The winning photos will be displayed at the Adler Arts Center from January 14, 2022 to January 29, 2022. They must be professionally matted, framed, and ready to hang with wire. Size may not exceed 24" X 36" maximum, including frame. Original work not accurately represented by the digital file may be declined at the discretion of the judges.

The Opening Reception will be held at the Adler Arts Center* on Friday, January 14, 2022, 7-9 pm. All participants in the contest are invited.

EXHIBIT PROTOCOL

Entries accepted for the exhibit are to be delivered to the Adler Arts Center during the week of January 10 - January 13, 2022 between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Works must be delivered ready for hanging/installation/display as described under "Winning Photos Info" section above. If shipping instead of hand delivery, email Amy@adlercenter.org for further information. Photographers will sign "Museum Artist Contract" upon delivery of framed photos to the Adler Arts Center.

JUDGES

Judges will be members of the North Shore Camera Club. **Decision of the judges is final.**

DISCLAIMER

*Copyrights of all entries remain the property of the photographers.

*By entering your image, you give the Green Corridor Coalition permission to use your image in all media outlets. Ownership rights will be noted when images are used.

*We retain the right to disqualify images that do not meet the competition criteria, are of offensive nature, or are considered inappropriate.

*The Photographer acknowledges and agrees that the Adler Arts Center, its members, employees, and/or trustees shall not be responsible for providing security or insurance for the art work on display in the Gallery. Insurance for photography work submitted to the Adler Arts Center or in transit is the responsibility of the artist.

*The Adler Arts Center is located at 1700 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Libertyville, IL 60048

ART SALE

Photography works on display may be offered for sale (**cash or check only**) to Adler Arts Center members and the general public. Artists who do **not** want their work included in the sale should indicate so when submitting entries. At the end of the competition, sale proceeds will go directly to the individual photographers who took the photos.

Sold items will be indicated as such and must be paid for at the Center's front desk. Purchasers must pick them up on Monday, January 31 or Tuesday, February 1, 2022 from 10 am to 8 pm. Any photographers interested in selling their artwork during the exhibition must sign the Center's consignment contract at the time of delivery.

Return of Accepted Work

The Adler Arts Center requires that all artwork be picked up on Monday, January 31 or Tuesday, February 1, 2022 from 10 am to 8 pm.

Agreement

Submitting an entry establishes agreement by the entrant to all conditions detailed in the Guidelines.

**WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE ASSISTANCE
OF THE NORTH SHORE CAMERA CLUB IN
PLANNING AND JUDGING THIS CONTEST.**