



# Friends of Huntley Meadows Park

3701 Lockheed Boulevard, Alexandria, VA 22306

[www.friendsofhuntleymeadows.org](http://www.friendsofhuntleymeadows.org)

## **2023 Photo Contest & Fundraiser Give Us Your Best Shot!**

The Friends of Huntley Meadows Park Photo Contest is a nature-themed photography contest that benefits Huntley Meadows Park. All submission fees go directly to support park staff, events, and equipment. Contestants may submit photos October 21– December 1. No late entries will be accepted. If you have questions, please email Liz Train at [lizzietrain@gmail.com](mailto:lizzietrain@gmail.com).

A panel of judges will select the winning photos and those to be displayed from the pool of contest entries. The selected photos will be exhibited at the Norma Hoffman Visitor Center at Huntley Meadows Park. The opening reception will be on December 10, 2-4 pm., at the Norma Hoffman Visitor Center auditorium. If the photo does not meet the criteria described below it will not be judged.

Every effort is made to display all entries. Photographers will be notified if their photo(s) will NOT be included in the exhibit.

1. [Complete our electronic entry form](#) - there is a limit of three (3) submissions per person.
2. **To Enter** Use the blue "Photo Show Entry Fee" button located near the top of the 2023 Photo Contest Guidelines page on the FOHMP website to pay the \$5 per submission fee. *Please include the receipt when you drop off your entry/entries.* The fee is waived for those of high school age and younger.

Deliver your entries to Huntley Meadows Park at 3701 Lockheed Blvd, Alexandria, VA 22306. Don't forget your receipt that shows you have paid the entry fee.

### **Eligibility**

- Park volunteers and employees of Huntley Meadows Park and their families not involved in judging or administering the contest can enter.
- Contest judges are not eligible to enter.
- All Huntley Meadows Park rules apply, including rules that animals must not be harassed and no modifications of the environment may be made to improve a photograph.



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## **Contest Rules**

- All photographs must have been taken at Huntley Meadows Park, Alexandria, Virginia. The photo should have been taken within the last two years.
- Only photographs of a nature theme will be considered (plants or animals). Photos may contain images of people, so long as the provisions in the copyrights and permissions section are met.
- Name, telephone, and email address should be entered clearly on the back of the matted photo. No identifying marks should appear on the front of the photograph, to preserve anonymity for judging.
- Photographs must be matted/mounted, but NOT framed.
- Matting should be a standard size, not exceeding 18 inches x 24 inches.
- All photos may be used by the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park for promotional or fundraising purposes.
- The decisions of the contest judges are final.

## **Awards and Opening Reception**

- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and honorable mention winners will receive ribbons and will be featured on the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park website and Facebook page.
- A “Fan Favorite” vote will take place over the duration of the show and will be announced on Saturday, February 10.
- The show will open and winners will be announced at our in person Opening Reception on, December 10.

## **Copyrights and Permissions**

- The show will be taken down on March 2, 2023. Photographers may retrieve their photos until March 31, 2023. Photos not retrieved become the property of the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park.
- The photographer must hold the copyright to all photos they submit to the contest.
- Photographs that violate copyright laws will be disqualified.
- The use of public domain images is prohibited.
- Photographers retain ownership of all copyrights.
- By submitting an image to this photo contest, you hereby grant to Friends of Huntley Meadows Park permission to make a copy of your entry for promotional use on our website, Facebook page, or in printed materials, including the FOHMP Newsletter.
- Any contest submissions that receive legal challenges from either copyright or insufficient model permissions will be removed.
- If a contest participant chooses to sell their photo(s) at the show, proceeds from that sale will be used by FOHMP to support Huntley Meadows Park.

**We look forward to seeing your photo contest entries!**