

The 2024 Foto Fest will be held at The Wilderness Center on Saturday, June 1st, and Sunday, June 2nd.
The goal of Foto Fest is to showcase outstanding photography for the general public's enjoyment.

Who can enter?	Anyone may enter.
Divisions?	See the entry form descriptions to determine what division and categories to enter.
Judges?	People's Choice awards, one per category, will be based on votes cast by those viewing the exhibit. Independent judges, including a professional photographer, will select the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place for each category, honorable mentions, and an overall Best of Show.
Awards?	Novice Division Awards: Certificates and ribbons will be awarded to the Judge's 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each category and the People's Choice in each category. Experienced Division Awards: Certificates and ribbons will be awarded to the Judge's 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each category and the People's Choice in each category. A monetary award will be given to the Judge's 1st Place in each category. A monetary award will also be awarded to the overall Best of Show. Youth Division Awards: Certificates and ribbons will be awarded to the Judges' 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners and the People's Choice winner.
Awards Presentation?	All winners will be announced, and awards will be presented at the TWC Nature Photo Club meeting on Saturday, June 22nd, at 9:30 AM. All entrants and guests are invited to attend. All prints, except for 1st place and Judge's Choice winners, may be picked up then or at The Wilderness Center after June 24th.
Winner Displays?	The Judge's 1st Place, People's Choice, and Best of Show photos will be displayed at The Wilderness Center for the next month and may be picked up after July 29th. The 2nd and 3rd Place winners are invited to submit their images for display during the month of August.
Show Times?	Saturday, June 1st, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM, and Sunday, June 2nd, 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM.
How Do I Enter?	Bring your photos, form, and payment to The Wilderness Center on Friday, May 17th, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Saturday, from May 18th, 12:00 to 4:00 PM. Entries received after this will not be accepted.
Can I Drop Them Off?	Yes, with payment by check only. Entries can be dropped off at The Wilderness Center front desk from May 7 through May 16th.
Drop Off Location?	The Wilderness Center, 9877 Alabama Ave SW, Wilmot. Tues. through Sat., 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

RULES

- There is no limit on the number of photos you may submit.
- Normal editing, such as cropping, sharpening, dodging/burning, etc., is acceptable. Focus stacking, HDR, and blending the sky with the foreground in high-dynamic scenes are also acceptable. The use of AI must be restricted to normal image cleanup and object removal, such as rubbish, telephone lines, airplane contrails, etc. AI-generated objects inserted into the image, such as skies, cabins, flowers, etc., are prohibited.
- All prints must be securely mounted on mat board, foam core, gator board, or a similar lightweight material.
- Framed prints will not be accepted. Matting is optional. Aluminum prints will not be accepted.
- Images must be no smaller than 80 square inches (excluding the matting) and no larger than 16"x20" (including matting). 9"x9", 12"x12", 9"x16" are examples of acceptable sizes.
- Black and white photos may be entered in any category.
- No names may appear on the front of the photo.
- On the back of the photo, anywhere in the lower half, put the name and address of the entrant and the photo title.

**Nature Photo Club
2024 Entry Form**



**Nature Photo Club
30th Annual FotoFest**

- Novice Division:** Anyone who has never entered a photo contest or has had limited success placing in contests.
- Experienced Division:** Anyone may enter this division.
- Youth Division:** Photos taken by those age 18 and under, may include any categories

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone _____

Official Use Only:
No. of Photos: _____
Amount Paid: _____

<u>Title</u> (Untitled prints not accepted)	<u>Category</u> (as listed below)	Official Entry No. Assigned

For more entries use second sheet.

Fees per photo: Adults - \$7 and youth \$5. Make checks payable to: TWC Nature Photo Club.

While we do our best to handle photos carefully, neither the Photo Club nor The Wilderness Center is responsible for any damage to entries.
Note: Entries that have not been picked up by August 30, 2024, will NOT be the responsibility of The Wilderness Center or the Nature Photo Club.

Categories

- Birds:** This is the only category in which to enter bird photos.
- Animals:** Wild or Domestic. i.e.,-foxes, deer, goats, horses, dogs, etc.
- Insects:** Beetles, spiders, caterpillars, moths, butterflies, etc.
- Flowers:** Any flower bloom, tree bloom, or plant bloom. There must be a flowering bloom. A plant with no bloom=General Nature
- Landscapes:** With or without man-made features.
- People:** Photos of people, i.e., portraits, everyday life. *(Nudity will not be accepted.)*
- Open:** Photos that do not fit any other category, such as buildings, barns, architecture, bridges, etc.
- General Nature:** Photos of nature that do not fit other categories, such as fungi, snails, mushrooms, trees, etc.

Youth Division Category: This is a single category, combining all of the above categories.

Black & White or Color photos are acceptable in any category.

Note: We reserve the right to change the division, reassign categories, and refuse entries.
Photographers should make every effort to avoid any action that might interfere with natural wildlife behavior or damage to plants. Entrants must not submit images that involve the willful harassment of wildlife or damage to the environment.