

# 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL STARK LIBRARY LAKE COMMUNITY BRANCH PHOTO CONTEST

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

Quail Hollow Camera Club of Hartville

## June 5 – August 5, 2023

The purpose of this photo contest is to promote photography as an enjoyable family activity and to encourage an appreciation of the natural world among the general public. The contest is open to all amateur photographers. Any individual who has derived MORE than \$250.00 from the sales of personal photographs over the previous twelve months is not eligible for this contest.

> **ENTRY FEES:** NO COST to enter this contest but LIMIT OF 5 ENTRIES PER PERSON.

> **JUDGING:** Wednesday, August 9, 2023 from 6 to 8 pm at the Stark Library Lake Community Branch. You are welcome and encouraged to attend the judging.

> **DEADLINE:** Saturday, August 5, 2023. Please bring all entries to the Lake Community Branch Library.

> **EXHIBIT:** Entries will be put on display in the Lake Community Branch as they are brought in and then will remain on display (except for judging). All entries **MUST BE PICKED UP** by August 26, 2023.

>>>> ALL ENTRIES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS: <<<<

- **PRINTS ONLY:** Any size print acceptable but finished piece must conform to mounted or matted dimension requirement (below). No slides accepted.
- **MOUNT and/or MATTE:** WHITE, BLACK or GRAY matte board ONLY (no frames or other color mount/matte boards). Final piece dimension must be no smaller than 8"X10" and no larger than 16"X20". There must be **no hanging devices** on the backside of the photo.
- **No more than 3/8" total thickness** including the matte or mounting board.
- **Identified with the photographer's name, address, and contest category in which the photo is entered.** Information must appear at the **upper left corner on the backside** of the entry. NO information is to appear on the front of photo.
- **Submitted in an envelope or bag to protect the photo during shipping, handling, or storage.** Stark Library will make every reasonable effort to return your photos in the same condition received; however, Stark Library will not accept any liability for damage or loss. Only photos accompanied by a self-addressed return mailer with sufficient postage will be returned by mail.

### STUDENT DIVISIONS

#### **Division I: Ages 8 thru 12**

Awards for Division I entries will be judged as "Best Picture" for that Division (ie pictures will not be separated into categories or black and white vs color). Division II entries WILL be separated as Black and White or Color. The student **MUST** take the photo. Should a student wish to be judged in a given ADULT category (eg Division II students) he or she must enter as an adult and all adult rules will apply. (Adults may help prepare Division I entries).

#### **Division II: Ages 13 thru 17**

### ADULT DIVISION

Photo categories are listed on the back of this entry form for all entries. The Black & White category will be judged as **ONE SINGLE GROUP** without regard to subject matter.

**AWARDS:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons will be awarded for qualifying entries in each category. The judges will have the discretion to make additional awards or no awards (eg honorable mention ribbons) based on the quality or quantity of entries in each division and/or category. All decisions of the judges regarding the eligibility of entries or the awarding of ribbons or prizes are final.

**CATEGORIES**

- **NATURE: NO** evidence of 'The Hand of Man' in photo (**Can include animal or plant life but must be 'natural' setting**).
- **ANIMAL LIFE:** Domestic or wild...hippos to ladybugs (where 'wild' does not qualify for NATURE category).
- **PLANT LIFE:** Domestic or wild... (where 'wild' does not qualify for NATURE category).
- **PEOPLE:** At work, play, etc.
- **OUTDOOR PICTORIAL:** Landscapes, bridges, buildings, etc. (**ANY** outdoor subject matter).
- **BUILDINGS/STRUCTURES:** Design uniqueness of building exteriors, interiors, parts of structures (eg. bridges, stairways), any structure.
- **OPEN BLACK & WHITE:** Note: All Black and White entries will be judged as a single group without regard to subject matter.
- **STILL LIFE:** Any kind of still life, either 'found' or made up.
- **ADVENTURE AWAITS:** Anything dealing with ADVENTURE (Summer reading theme)

**NOTE: NO nudes will be accepted.** Other controversial images subject to refusal-of-entry or disqualification. 'Controversial image' definition for this contest will be determined by and decided by Quail Hollow Camera Club of Hartville members and/or judges selected for this contest. All decisions will be final.

**17<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL STARK COUNTY LAKE COMMUNITY BRANCH PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH QUAIL HOLLOW CAMERA CLUB OF HARTVILLE**

**Entry Fee: No cost to enter, limit of 5 entries.**

*Please type or print clearly – copy form as necessary*

			Category		
Category	Subject	Entry Number	Color	Black & White	Place Award

I certify that the entries I have submitted for this contest were taken by me and are in accordance with the rules set forth for the Stark Library Lake Community Branch Photo Contest.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Adult \_\_\_\_\_ Student \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Entries: \_\_\_\_\_

Wrappings: \_\_\_\_\_



## Waiver

I, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators voluntarily assume all risk of accident of injury, release and forever discharge the Stark Library of Ohio, its employees, officers and agents, from any and all liability for personal injury or property damage of any kind sustained on the Stark Library property during the **LAKE COMMUNITY BRANCH PHOTO CONTEST** held from **June 5 – August 5, 2023** whether such personal injury or property damage is caused by the negligence of the Stark Library of Ohio, its employees, officers, agents, or otherwise.

I further covenant and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Stark Library of Ohio, its employees, officers and agents from all loss and expense, including, but not limited to, damages, legal expense and cost of defense, in any manner arising from my use of the Stark Library of Ohio.

PARTICIPANT NAME (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE & DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

IF PARTICIPANT UNDER 18 YRS OF AGE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE & DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STARK  LIBRARY

## Waiver

I, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators voluntarily assume all risk of accident of injury, release and forever discharge the Stark Library of Ohio, its employees, officers and agents, from any and all liability for personal injury or property damage of any kind sustained on the Stark Library property during the **LAKE COMMUNITY BRANCH PHOTO CONTEST** held from **June 5 – August 5, 2023** whether such personal injury or property damage is caused by the negligence of the Stark Library of Ohio, its employees, officers, agents, or otherwise.

I further covenant and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Stark Library of Ohio, its employees, officers and agents from all loss and expense, including, but not limited to, damages, legal expense and cost of defense, in any manner arising from my use of the Stark Library of Ohio.

PARTICIPANT NAME (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE & DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

IF PARTICIPANT UNDER 18 YRS OF AGE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE & DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STARK  LIBRARY