

Official Rules for the City of Altoona Photo Contest

The City of Altoona photo contest provides an opportunity to highlight the beauty and splendor that surrounds visitors to River Prairie each and every day with special attention given to River Prairie's feathered residents and visitors.

The Contest entry period begins on April 1 and ends on May 30, 2024.

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Eligibility

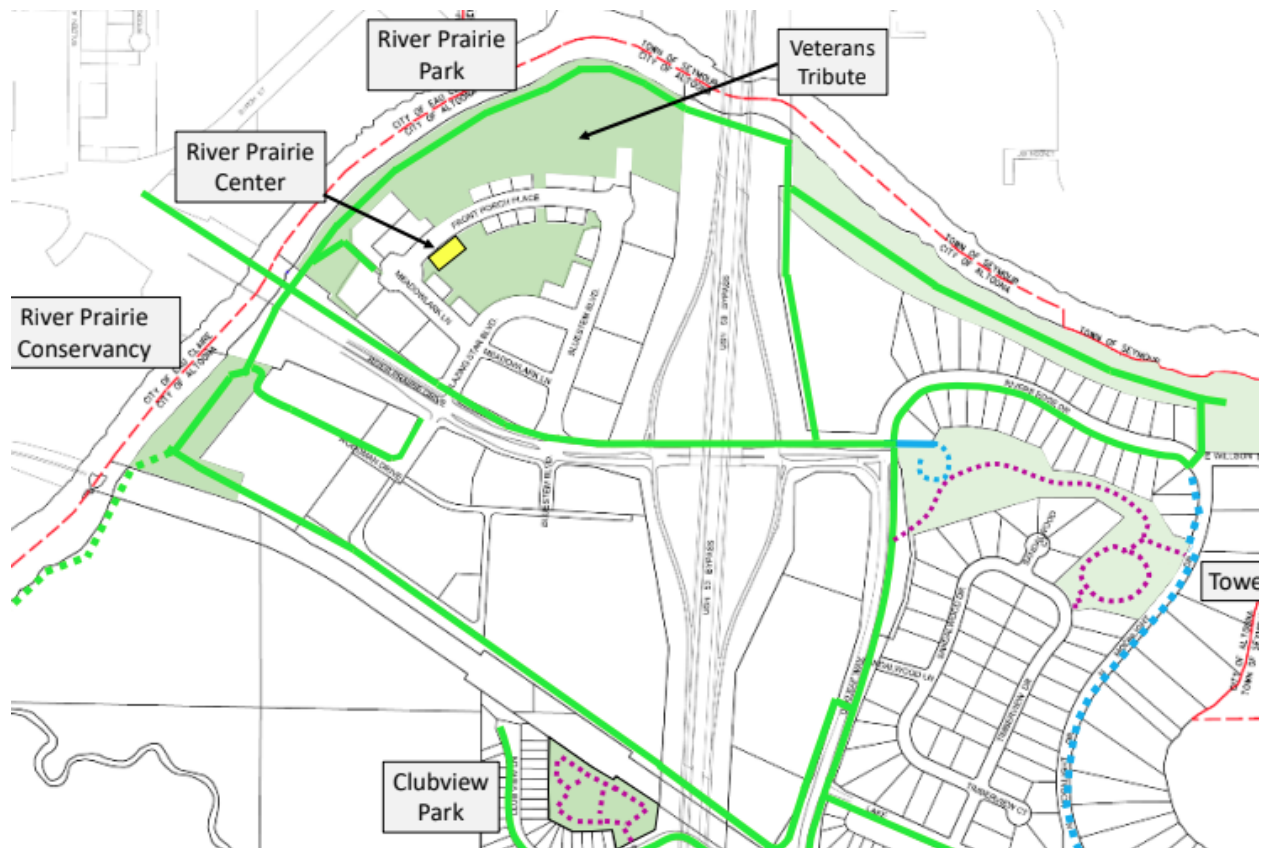
Eligibility: The Contest is open to all amateur artists/photographers (i.e., hobby artists who create photography as a pastime rather than as a profession and whose livelihoods are not derived primarily from the sale of their photography). Employees of the City of Altoona ("Sponsor") or of any of its divisions, affiliates, subsidiaries, or advertising or promotional agencies, and the immediate family members of, and any persons domiciled with, any such employees are not eligible to enter or to win. The term "immediate family members" includes spouses, parents, grandparents, siblings, children, and grandchildren.

Each individual entrant may submit up to three (3) photographs. Each potential winner may have only one (1) photograph selected for the calendar.

Entry Terms and Conditions

Entry Terms and Conditions: The aim of the Contest is to obtain original photographs with a caption related to the contest theme from amateur artists to be displayed at Altoona City Hall and in promotional materials related to the City of Altoona and River Prairie. The contest will showcase the talent of amateur artists and highlight the beauty of the birds visiting River Prairie. There is no fee to enter. The theme for the contest will be "River Prairie's Feathered Friends." This theme encourages us to celebrate the diversity and beauty of the birds that we encounter while in River Prairie. Artists can submit images taken from throughout the year from all seasons that showcase River Prairie and its avian residents and visitors. Artists are requested to submit one to three images. You must take the following steps to enter the Contest. Photos must be taken in the River Prairie Development!

Contest Area:



CALLING ALL AMATEUR SHUTTERBUGS!

Enter your snapshots capturing the *River Prairie's Feathered Friends* today.

[>>>Submit Your Photos By Clicking This Link<<](https://forms.gle/doSu27tnkC3ACJU96)

1. Take or select a previously taken photograph that depicts "River Prairie's Feathered Friends " and include a written description.
2. Fill out the online entry form: Between April 1, 2024 – May 30, 2024, visit <https://forms.gle/doSu27tnkC3ACJU96> to complete the entry form and to upload your Photo Contest photo entry (ies).

Note: Each photograph you submit in the Contest must be your own original work and must have not been previously published in any format, and you must be the sole owner of all rights in, or otherwise have the right to issue a nonexclusive license of the Photograph to the City of Altoona.

3. Submit your completed official Contest entry form. All entries must be submitted through the contest online entry form by 11:59 pm Eastern Time, May 30, 2024.

Note: Each photo entered requires a separate entry form, limited to three (3) per entrant.

Sponsor will not be able to return any entry materials. Sponsor will not be responsible for incomplete, illegible, unviewable, lost, or late entries, all of which will be disqualified. Sponsor reserves the right to disqualify any entries by persons determined by Sponsor in its sole discretion to be tampering with or abusing any aspect of the Contest, or determined to be ineligible for any reason. Sponsor further reserves the right to disqualify any entry that is alleged to infringe on any third-party's intellectual property or other rights, or that Sponsor deems to be, in its sole discretion, obscene, offensive or otherwise inappropriate for viewing by a general audience. The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received and the judges' scoring of those entries.

Contest Prizes

Contest Prizes: Sponsor will select twelve (13) winners in the Contest. Each individual entrant may have only one (1) photograph selected for as a winner. A photograph of each winner's submission will be framed and displayed at Altoona City Hall and the photos will be featured on the City's website and on promotional partners' websites. Twelve (12) Winners will receive cash prizes of \$50 each, and one Grand Prize winner will receive \$200.

Photograph Specifications and Permission to Use Entry

Photograph specifications: Each photograph must be in digital format between 8 - 20 megapixels (minimum 2550 x 3300 pixels). No print or film submissions will be accepted for entry into this Contest. All photographs must be high resolution (300dpi - 600dpi) JPEG or .jpg. Please note that photographs need not be taken with a digital camera: scans of negatives or transparencies are acceptable. Photographs that fail to meet these specifications will automatically be disqualified.

Permission to Use Entry Photography: By entering the Contest, each contestant agrees that Sponsor may publish his or her captioned photograph and exhibit, copy, publish, make derivative works from or otherwise use his or her entry photograph and other entry materials for any purpose, in any media, in perpetuity, without limitation or additional permission or compensation, except where prohibited by law. **Each contestant also agrees that Sponsor may crop, resize, or otherwise alter the photograph to fit the media necessary to produce the calendar, at Sponsor's discretion.**

Judging

Judging: On or about June 3, 2024, all eligible Contest entries will be judged by a panel of judges with expertise in visual arts. All decisions of the Contest judges will be final and binding in all respects. The judging will be based on the following criteria: (50%) artistic quality, and (50%) relationship of the photographs subject to the Contest theme. Winners will be notified via email on or about June 10, 2024. Sponsor's inability to contact a winner may result in that winner's disqualification and the selection of a substitute winner from among all remaining eligible entries.

General Conditions/ Prize Claim

If awarded prize money, you grant the City of Altoona, Wisconsin ("City") licensing rights to reprint and/or reuse the winning photo(s) in various media formats. The city respects the work of the photographer and will only use images that are awarded prize money in the contest. All other photos submitted will not be used by the city. You certify that the images submitted are your original work and if copyrighted that you are the sole copyright owner. Copyright of the images remains the property of the photographer. You also attest to have consent of anyone clearly depicted in images submitted and agree to provide proof of consent upon request. You also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City from and against all claims, actions, proceedings, damages, losses, liabilities, and costs that may arise from or related to any infringement on any intellectual property rights or other rights of a third party.