

# Holmdel Creative Arts Association (HCAA) District Photo Contest

Sponsored by the HCAA

**Begins April 1, 2019. Ends April 30, 2019**

All entries must be received by 11:59 pm on April 30, 2019

## **Eligibility**

-Contest is open to all Holmdel Township students in K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

## **How to Enter**

-All entries must be submitted in digital format (for specifics, see below), with the subject line “HCAA Photo Contest”, as an attachment, to the following email:

[HCAAphoto@gmail.com](mailto:HCAAphoto@gmail.com)

-All entries must be original photographs **taken by the submitting student.**

-All entries must include the following information: Student Name, School, Grade, Parent’s email, Student email (optional)

-All entries must include a title for the photograph

-Each entrant may only submit one (1) photograph. If multiple photos are submitted, only the first photo received will be considered.

-Obscene or objectionable material (as determined by the judges) will not be considered.

## **Image Format**

-.jpeg format, less than 3 MB size

-no panoramas

-portraits only with the consent of the subject(s)

-All photographs should accurately reflect the subject matter and the scene as it appeared. Photos that have been digitally altered beyond standard optimization (removal of dust, cropping, reasonable adjustments to color, exposure and contrast, etc.) will be disqualified. Multiple exposures that have been combined to produce a single “High Dynamic Range” are acceptable.

## **Judging**

- The contest will be judged by a panel of HCAA members, Holmdel teachers and/or professional photographers.
- The entries will be judged solely on photographic quality.
- Judging will be “blind”. Photographs will be judged independently of entry information.
- The decisions of the judges will be final and indisputable.

## **Prizes**

- One (1) Grand Prize Winner – Winner can be from any of the four Holmdel schools. Winner will receive a **monetary Grand Prize**, a commemorative certificate, and recognition in school and local publications.
- Four (4) Honorable Mention Prize Winners – One (1) winner will be chosen from each of the four Holmdel schools after the Grand Prize Winner is determined. Each winner will receive a commemorative certificate and recognition in school and local publications.

## **Notification**

- Winners will be notified via email by May 15, 2018.
- Only the 5 winners will be notified.
- A list of winners and/or their photos will be announced and published in May/June 2019.

**Submission of an entry explicitly grants the HCAA the right to use of the photograph and accompanying entry information for any and all promotional purposes.**

**No email addresses will be released.**