



# CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO

## 2024 PHOTO CONTEST

Enter your best images in the 16<sup>th</sup> annual City of Lake Oswego Photography Contest.

Amateur and professional photographers are encouraged to enter.

**ENTER BY Tuesday, September 10, 2024!**



### CONTEST PRIZES, RULES, AND CATEGORIES

#### PRIZES

Category winners will receive a \$150 gift card, second place winners will receive a \$100 gift card and third place winners a \$50 gift card. All winning photos will be exhibited digitally at City Hall during the following year, publicized in the City's e-newsletter (LO Down), and featured in a special section in the November or December edition of the City's newsletter (Hello LO). In addition, all winning photos will be shared on the City's website.

All entrants are welcome to attend a special photo exhibit and reception in November or December.

#### PHOTO CONTEST RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Contest is open to professional and amateur photographers of all ages.
- Photos must be taken in Lake Oswego.
- Photos must have been taken within two (2) years before the date of entry.
- A participant can win in no more than one category, but can place in up to two categories.
- A completed and signed Entry Agreement must accompany each photo submitted. Entry Agreements by youth under 18 years of age must be signed by parent or guardian. The online form allows for submission of multiple digital photos and includes the Entry Agreement.
- Photographs must be in digital format and must be in the following format:
  - Suitable for poster size reprint - iPhone or camera pictures 8mp or higher are generally acceptable.
  - File format: TIFF, JPG, JPEG or PNG.
  - The photographs will be processed and evaluated as Adobe RGB Color and should be submitted as such.
- Photos will not be returned and may be used in City print or electronic media.
- City employees are encouraged to submit photographs, but will not be eligible for monetary prizes. However, they will be recognized in any category.

All entries must be received by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2024.

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## PHOTO CONTEST CATEGORIES

Contest entries will be judged on overall quality, creativity and how well the photograph portrays Lake Oswego. The City reserves the right not to award prizes if a suitable photograph has not been entered.

- **Category 1 – Places & Landscapes**  
Photos that showcase parks, trails, business districts, street scenes, urban landmarks or scenery that identify Lake Oswego.
- **Category 2 – People & Community**  
Photos in Lake Oswego from community events, gatherings, and celebrations that embody the feelings of community and belonging.
- **Category 3 – Wildlife**  
Photos that showcase any of Lake Oswego’s beautiful wild critters such as deer, eagles, raccoons, osprey or other wildlife.
- **Category 4 – Flora, Fungi, Bees & Butterflies**  
Up-close photos that show the fine-detailed features of non-feathered pollinators, flowers, trees, plants, fruit, or fungi in Lake Oswego.
- **Category 5 – Pets**  
Photos featuring your pet enjoying life in Lake Oswego; for example, playing at the dog park or city park, going for a walk along one of our pathways, enjoying the lake or river, etc.
- **Category 6 – Monochrome & Digitally Altered Photographic Images**  
Photos in this category can reflect any subject matter and must be taken in Lake Oswego. This category is designed for photographs that are:
  - In black and white or in varying tones of only one color.
  - More than just enhanced through digital fine-tuning. Alterations may include using an oil paint effect, or significant digital alteration of light and lines.Photographer should describe the digital enhancement or manipulation applied to the image.
- **Category 7 – Youth** (entrant/photographer must be under the age of 18)  
Photos taken in Lake Oswego can reflect any subject matter the entrant would like to submit.

## JUDGING

A panel consisting of City of Lake Oswego staff and a City Councilor (“Judges”) will evaluate all eligible entries based on overall quality, creativity and how well the photograph portrays Lake Oswego in relation to the category criteria. The Judges will select three finalists from each category. Places of finalists (first, second or third place) will be selected in each category by a public vote. Voting will close on October 15. Category winners will be announced in early November. Decisions of the Judges and the public are final and binding.

## HOW TO ENTER YOUR PHOTOS

Complete the entry form and submit your photos online at [www.lakeoswego.city/publicaffairs/photo-contest](http://www.lakeoswego.city/publicaffairs/photo-contest).

You can also mail or deliver a CD of your photo and a completed Entry Agreement for each photo to: Bonnie Hirshberger, City of Lake Oswego, 380 A Avenue, PO Box 369, Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Mailed or delivered entries must be received by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2024.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Bonnie Hirshberger, Public Information Specialist, 503-675-3992 or [bhirshberger@lakeoswego.city](mailto:bhirshberger@lakeoswego.city).

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## ENTRY AGREEMENT

*Entries must be submitted by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2024*

NAME OF CONTESTANT: \_\_\_\_\_

In submitting the attached photo to the City of Lake Oswego and participating in the City of Lake Oswego Photo Contest, I hereby warrant and agree to the following:

- I am the author of, and have lawful ownership rights to the photo, including the publication and republication rights of the photo.
- The photo is the result of Contestant's sole artistic effort.
- The photo is unique and original and does not infringe upon any copyright, trademark, or patent.
- Any models or persons identifiable in the photo have given approval for publication and distribution (releases) of photo as stated in this Entry Agreement, and that City shall have no obligation to compensate the models or persons.
- The photo is free and clear of any lien.
- Contestant licenses to the City perpetually all rights of reproduction, distribution, and to display two- or three-dimensional reproductions of the photo in any manner, provided however that the City's use of the photo shall be restricted to use, publication, republication, and distribution of whatsoever kind relating to any City publication or event, including, without limitation, public display as well as reproduction on City items, such as print ads, postcards, posters, brochures, applications, television programs, City website, and any other of distribution or display, whether print, electronic, or televised. In addition, the City may alter images of the photo as necessary to fit into reduced or enlarged format sizes. The photo may be reproduced, displayed, or distributed in any form without photo credit to the Contestant. No compensation shall be due to Contestant.
- Contestant agrees to release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its agents, officials, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all claims and liability, including but not limited to copyright, trademark, or patent infringement, arising out of Contestant's participation or association with the City of Lake Oswego Photo Contest, or publication or distribution of the photo. Contestant agrees to pay all costs incident to any claim, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees.

I agree that the above information is correct. I further agree that this agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of Oregon and of the United States.

CONTESTANT:

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature of parent or guardian:  
(if under 18 years of age) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**1.** Photo name, description, and date taken: \_\_\_\_\_

*Include additional photo information on back.*

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## ADDITIONAL PHOTOS

**2.** Photo name, description,  
and date taken:

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**3.** Photo name, description,  
and date taken:

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