

Criteria

Subject:

North American animals, plants, parks, and landscapes. See categories on the last page.

Quantity:

2 photo entries per photographer.

Not Allowed/Disqualified:

- Man-made structures such as buildings, bridges, zoos, museums, staircases, and roads.
- Non-native species of animals and plants.
- Any photo taken outside of the continent or at a zoo.
- Any photo with people.
- Image enhancement must be limited to minor adjustments.
- Finished entry must still appear to be a photograph, not an artistic impression or design.
- NO FRAMES-only mat board.
- NO NAMES on front of photograph or mat board.
- No string, wire, metal sawtooth hangers, or metal hangers allowed.

Size:

- Total size of entry cannot exceed 11x14 inches.
- Weight: not to exceed 3 pounds.

Framing:

- FRAMES NOT ALLOWED!
Only mat boards.



11 X 14 MAT BOARD FOR A 8X10 PHOTO. CAN BE FOUND AT HOBBY LOBBY OR ONLINE.

Hanging Mechanism:

The only hanging mechanism allowed is the one shown below.

The sawtooth section must be seen hanging out above the edge of the mat board/photo and centered.

PLASTIC SAWTOOTH STICKY HANGERS. CAN BE FOUND AT HOBBY LOBBY OR ONLINE.



Attached to Each Photo:

- All entries must have a copy of the completed entry and waiver form taped securely (all sides) to the back

Contest Waiver

By participating, the entrant agrees to grant the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Starved Rock State Park staff and volunteers, and the Starved Rock Foundation the right to display photography submitted, and to reproduce the entrant's name, likeness, copies of the photographs, or any other image or information for purposes of promotion, publicity and/or display, either now or in the future.

The Starved Rock Foundation, their agents and assigns, are under no obligation to provide compensation or notice of any such use and shall not be liable for any damage or loss of the photographer's work or other personal property arising out of this exhibit or other activities.

I, _____, agree by my signature here that I am responsible for my own insurance and understand that Starved Rock State Park and its affiliates are not responsible for damaged or missing works in a show or exhibit.

Signature:

Print Name:

IMPORTANT!

Photos must be picked up by January 14th. Photos cannot be mailed in or returned by mail.

Photo Entry Form - please write legibly.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Title of photograph: _____

Location of photograph taken: _____

- ◆ Please complete an entry form and securely tape to the back of each photograph.
- ◆ Please circle the subject matter of your photograph.

North American Flowers, Plants, or Trees.	North American Landscapes or Parks.	North American Insects, Fish, Reptiles, and Amphibians
North American Bodies of Water including waterfalls & icefalls.	Illinois Parks and Preserves	Illinois Bodies of Water including waterfalls & icefalls.
North American Birds (wild only)	North American Mammals (wild only)	North American Fungi and Lichens



Contest

- ◆ All photos will be judged by professional photographers from the IDNR, Starved Rock Lodge, and the Starved Rock Foundation.
- ◆ Photographs will be judged using the following criteria:
 - Impact, Creativity, Technical Excellence, Composition, Subject Matter, and Storytelling.
- ◆ 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awarded per category. and 1 Best of Show or Grand Prize.
- ◆

Show

- The show is open to the public for viewing from December 7- January 4, from 9-4 daily.
- ◆ Award ceremony and reception for photographers, January 5 at 1 p.m.
 - ◆ Closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Last day to submit entries is 11/24/24 before or by 4 p.m.

STARVED ROCK PHOTO SHOW
ENTRY FORM



BEST OF SHOW 2022
BY HEATHER FARRELL

