

Criteria

Subject:

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

Quantity:

3 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.
- Image enhancement must be limited to minor adjustments (contrast, exposure, cropping, dodge and burn) are appropriate. Finished entry must still appear to be a photograph, not an artistic impression or design.
- Photographers name on front of photo.
- Photos cannot be mailed in or returned by mail.

Size:

- Total size of entry cannot exceed 11x14 inches.
- Weight: not to exceed 5 pounds.

Framing:

- Framing is not necessary. All that is needed is a matboard frame and backing. See example.



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

Hanging Mechanism:

- Sturdy hanging system at top-center- back of photo matboard. Photos are hung from a metal hook suspended on a plastic heavy duty cable. See example.

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 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.

Photo Entry Form

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 and Plants	North American Landscapes, Parks, and Habitats	North American Insects, Fish, Reptiles, and Amphibians
North American Bodies of Water	Illinois Parks, Preserves, and Habitats	Illinois Waterfalls and Icefalls
North American Birds	North American Mammals	North American Trees, 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.
- Prizes will be announced on December 10th.
- 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 10th - January 7th from 9-4 daily.
- Closed on Christmas Day and New Years Day.

STARVED ROCK PHOTO SHOW 2023 ENTRY FORM



BEST OF SHOW 2022
BY HEATHER FARRELL

