



## The Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc. 2019 Photo Contest

The Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc. (TGC) Photo Contest is open to all Hillsborough County Middle School and High School students who are between 12 and 18 years of age at the time of entry. There will be 4 categories with a winner of each and a 'Best in Show' for a Middle School and a High School student.

By submitting an entry to the TGC Photo Contest, entrants certify that their participation in the Photo Contest is not illegal or in violation of any law, regulation, treaty, or administrative act.

### **ENTRY PERIOD**

The Photo Contest begins at 9:00 AM on February 1st and ends at 12:00 noon March 1, 2019 (the 'Entry Period'). Submissions received after the Entry Period are ineligible.

### **WHAT TO ENTER**

The TGC strives to heighten awareness of our native flora and fauna, our responsibility to protect our remaining green spaces, and our native wildlife and their shrinking habitat. Because of the impact of population on our environment, we want pictures of nature that inspire, warn, and narrate (tell a visual story) of what you notice in Florida.

Photographs must be 8 X 10 prints, in black and white or color, glossy or matte finish, and on a 10 by 12 inch black mat. Photos that have been digitally altered beyond standard optimization (removal of dust, cropping, reasonable adjustments to exposure, color and contrast, etc.) will be disqualified.

One award will be given for each of the 6 following listings:

1. High School Best in Show
2. Middle School Best in Show
3. Categories
  - **Twilight** - Some of nature is best caught in action at dusk or dawn. Capture nature during these twilight hours.
  - **Birds, Butterflies, and Bees Contest:** Capture in nature a picture of birds, butterflies, or bees without mixed media
  - **Florida Fauna and Flora:** May be a landscape, taken underwater, or taken aerially.
  - **People and Nature Contest:** Illustrating the hope that mankind and nature can thrive together on Earth.

### **Required information:**

- Student name
- School and faculty representative's name or parent name if home-schooled
- Contact information (telephone number and email address) for school representative or parent
- Location where photograph taken (ex: Fakahatchee Swamp)
- Category

## HOW TO ENTER

All images must be received during the entry period stated above, delivered through school mail to the County art supervisor or directly to the Tampa Garden Club at 2629 Bayshore Blvd., Tampa, FL 33629, with all required information, including name, email, and other information about your photo submission.

## JUDGING

Photos will be judged on originality, technical excellence, composition, overall impact, artistic merit and subject matter relevance to humans and nature. Judging will be conducted by a panel of guest judges to be selected by TGC and a member of the TGC Board of Directors (the 'Panel').

Judging is on March 6, 2019. All judging decisions are final. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

Winners will be notified via the contact information provided at the time of entry.

### Disclaimers:

*If you choose to include people in your submission, you are responsible for obtaining the necessary releases from the individual depicted, and must be able to provide copies of those releases to the Tampa Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. upon request.*

*The following submissions are ineligible:*

- *Images of captive animals photographed in zoos and commercial game farms*
- *Photos that contain sexually explicit, nude, obscene, violent or other objectionable or inappropriate content*
- *Images that involve the willful harassment of wildlife, or damage to the environment by the photographer.*
- *Images that involve putting any individual or animal in danger.*
- *The TGC shall determine entry eligibility in its sole and absolute discretion.*

## AWARDS

The TGC will award the following prizes:

### **ONE (1) Best in Show High School winner will receive:**

- \$100.00 check and certificate
- \$100.00 check to the art department of their school

### **ONE (1) Best in Show Middle School winner will receive:**

- \$50.00 check and certificate
- \$100.00 check to their school's art department

### **Four (4) Category winners (Twilight; Birds, Butterflies, and Bees; Florida Fauna and Flora; People and Nature Contest) will receive:**

- Mention on the TGC website
- \$50 check and certificate

All winners will be featured on the Tampa Garden Club website along with publication of their photograph.

All photographs will be returned through school mail unless arrangement is made for pick up at TGC during normal business hours (9AM to 4PM).

## QUESTIONS

Questions and inquiries about contest rules can be emailed to [tampagardenclubboard@gmail.com](mailto:tampagardenclubboard@gmail.com).

## 2019 TGC PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Detach half this form and tape to the back of your entry. Keep the other half.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTATIVE/PARENT \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT INFORMATION OF ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

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