







# A Photography Competition Bringing Communities Together Through Art

Enter **FOCUS 2017** and become a part of an exciting collaboration of photographers from Northeast Ohio.

This competition is juried with awards in each category.

## **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MARCH 18, 2017**

	NUMBER OF ENTRIES X \$10.00 PER ENTRY: \$
PHOTOGRAPHER'S NAME	CLASSIFICATION: (Circle One)
ADDRESS	AMATEUR YOUTH
CITY/STATE/ZIP	SEASONED/PROFESSIONAL
EMAIL	1) CATEGORY (A-D)SALE PRICE: \$
PHONE I Certify that I am the photographer of the above image(s).	TITLE:  2) CATEGORY (A-D)SALE PRICE: \$  TITLE:

DATE

## **ENTER ONLINE:**

**SIGNATURE** 

Email completed entry form AND .jpgs if possible to Mklein@solonohio.org. You will then be sent an invoice to pay entry fee(s) online through a secure website.

## **ENTER BY MAIL:**

photo will not be for sale.

Entry form and payment can be dropped off or mailed to: Solon Center for the Arts 6315 SOM Center Road, Solon, OH 44139 Make checks payable to Solon Center for the Arts

\*Titles will be printed as listed. NO CHANGES WILL BE

ACCEPTED. PLEASE PRINT! If a price is not listed, the



**ENTRY DEADLINE: SATURDAY, MARCH 18 BY 2:00 PM** 

DROP OFF: TUESDAY, MARCH 28 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

All submissions must be dropped off at Solon Center for the Arts, 6315 SOM Center Road, Solon, OH 44139. No entry forms, fees, or title changes will be accepted drop-off day.

Two entries within the set guidelines will be accepted per person. The number of entries is limited to the first 100 photos entered. Solon Center for the Arts will be displaying all photos the evening of the reception. Approximately 40 - 50 photos will remain for the duration of the exhibit. Winners and prizes will be awarded at the opening reception at Solon Center for the Arts.

OPENING RECEPTION AND AWARDS CEREMONY:

FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2017 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Selected photographs will be exhibited at Solon Center for the Arts MARCH 31, 2017 - MAY 1, 2017

## **EXHIBITION PHOTO PICK-UP:**

All photos must be picked up from the Solon Center for the Arts on Monday, May 1, 2017 from  $9:00~am\ -\ 6:00~pm.$ 

#### **ENTRY RULES:**

- A maximum of two entries will be accepted per photographer.
- There is a non-refundable entry fee of \$10.00 per photo.
- All photographs must be on photographic paper. No exceptions.
- All photographs must have a label on the back of the frame that indicates the artist's name, city, phone number, title, division and category.
- Photos must be framed, matted, wired and ready to hang.
- Photos without a fixed and secure wire will not be accepted.
- Finished frame size minimum is 8" x 10" with a maximum of 24" x 24".

  \*Framing and matting are taken into consideration during judging. Presentation of the photo is as important as the photographic content.
- Photograph must be entrant's own work and not entered in a previous FOCUS show.
- Subject matter must be family friendly. No nudes, suggestive content or violent images will be accepted.
- Judges' subjective opinions will be final
- NO Entry Forms/Fees or changes will be accepted on drop-off day.

#### **DIVISIONS:**

**AMATEUR** photographers may be Adult or Youth. Photography is their hobby or they are people who just love taking pictures.

**SEASONED/PROFESSIONAL** photographers should be Adults only. They may or may not earn money from photographic services or images, promote or market themselves on social media or website as a professional and may have received high recognition or top honors in other photography competitions.

**YOUTH** photographers will enter in the Amateur division, but there will be one award given for the best photo entered by a Youth Photographer.

## CATEGORIES:

- A) ANIMALS/WILDLIFE
- B) TRAVEL/PLACES/CITYSCAPE
- C) NATURE/LANDSCAPE/BOTANICAL
- D) PEOPLE/PORTRAITS

The FOCUS 2017 committee reserves the right to decline, limit the number of entries or move entries to a more suitable division or category if any of the criteria is not met and/or the content is deemed inappropriate.

## **DEADLINE:**

Deadline for registration is March 18, 2017

\*Application forms can also be found online at: www.solonarts.org Competition limited to first 100 photos. *Register early!* 

## **AWARDS:**

11 POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITIES ~ \$750 IN AWARDS

\$150 BEST IN EACH DIVISION \$50 BEST IN CATEGORY AMATEUR (A,B,C,D) SEASONED/PROFESSIONAL (A,B,C,D)

\$50 YOUTH AWARD

\*Best of Division photos and individual category winners are not eligible for multiple awards.

## PHOTOGRAPHY FOR SALE!

Photographers are encouraged to offer their work for sale. Should you agree, on the Entry Form there is a place to indicate the price of each piece. If a price is not listed, the photo will not be for sale. If a photo sells, 70% will go to the artist and 30% will go to the SCA Gallery. SCA will then pay the photographer after the show closes.

#### **ENTER ONLINE:**

Email completed entry form AND .jpgs if possible ( $1600 \times 1200$  pixels, 330 ppi) and compatible with PC formats to Mklein@solonohio.org. You will then be sent an invoice to pay entry fee(s) online through a secure website.

#### **ENTER BY MAIL:**

Entry form and payment can be dropped off or mailed to: Solon Center for the Arts 6315 SOM Center Road, Solon, OH 44139 440.337.1400

Make checks payable to Solon Center for the Arts



www.solonarts.org 440.337.1400 6315 SOM Center Road Solon, OH 44139