



# Photography Contest

## Purpose

The Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents (TAE4-HA), a professional Extension organization for County Extension Agents, Specialists, and Extension Administrators for the purpose of professionalism, collaboration, and youth development. The District IV delegation is hosting a photography contest to provide scholarship funds for district level 4-H leadership events.

## Contest Dates and Submissions

**ALL** photos must be received by the District IV Photography Committee Chair by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. Late entries will not be accepted. Addressed to: ATTN: D4AE4-HA Photography Contest, C/O Dr. Tamra McGaughy, 10056 Marsh Ln, Suite B-101, Dallas Texas, 75229.

## Contest Categories

This contest will compliment the Texas 4-H Photography Contest categories. Contestants may submit one photo per category. Category descriptions can be found at: [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photography\\_contest](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photography_contest) under the State 4-H Contest heading. This contest will use the following categories:

- ANIMALS - DOMESTIC
- ANIMALS - WILDLIFE
- CATCH-ALL
- DOMINANT COLOR
- ELEMENTS OF DESIGN
- DETAILS & MACRO
- FOOD
- NATURE & LANDSCAPE
- PEOPLE
- PLANT/FLORA

## Participation/Age Divisions

Youth age should be calculated as of January 1, 2015. 4-H membership is **not** required for participation in this contest, but participants must reside in Texas.

- **Junior:** Youth ages 8 to 10
- **Intermediate:** Youth ages 11 to 13
- **Senior:** Youth ages 14 to 18
- **Adult:** Any person 19 and older, *amateur photographers only*

## Contest Cost

Contest participation will cost \$10.00 for the first photo and \$1.00 for each additional photo per individual. Payment can be check or money orders only and should be mailed with photo submissions. Payment should be made out to **D4AE4-HA** and in memo line write **Photography Contest**. Photos will not be consider as an entry until payment is received.

## Contest Prizes \$\$

Awards will be given for the best photo in each age division per category and the best overall all photo per age division. All winning photos will be on display during the 2015 State TAE4-HA Conference in South Padre and will be kept for further viewing at the discretion of the committee. All other photos will be returned to the local county Extension office. Division Winners will receive \$100, Category Winners (per age division) will receive \$10. *NOTE: Categories with less than 10 photo entries in a division will not be eligible for the Category Winners prize, but will be eligible for the Division Winners prize if photos meet blue quality standards.*

## Contest Results

All winners will be notified no later than Friday, July 10, 2015.

## Photography Contest Guidelines

- Submit photos consistent with the content guidelines for each division. All photos must have been taken during the previous year. Category descriptions can be found at: [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photography\\_contest](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photography_contest) under the State 4-H Contest heading.
- **Contest Prizes \$\$:** Categories with less than 10 photo entries in a division will not be eligible for the Category Winners prize, but will be eligible for the Division Winners prize.
- Photos will only be considered for contest prizes if they meet the blue quality standard. Red quality and white quality photos will not be eligible for top prizes. See the above link for judging criteria standards.
- Each contestant may enter one photo per category.
- Youth are allowed to enter a photo previously submitted in a county, district, or state level contest during the 2014– 2015 4-H year.
- Adult may also enter this contest. (*Amateur photographers only*). Photos must have been taken in the last 12 months.
- Each photo must be the original work of the person submitting the photo.
- Photos must not be edited, altered, or digitally enhanced. Slight computer-enhanced photos are allowed – such as cropping, trimming, and red eye reduction – but photos altered by using computer graphics or color changing,. Extreme Photo-shopping will be disqualified.
- Entrants are not permitted to place borders or frames around their images. Do not place watermarks, signatures, dates, or copyright notice on their images.
- Photos may be submitted as color, black and white, or sepia tone.
- All photos must be permanently mounted on a non-frame board that may be of 5mm foam board or mat board no larger than 8" X 10" but no smaller than 5" X 7". Masonite, photo folders, corrugated cardboard or thin poster board is not acceptable. Double faced tape, glue or rubber cement is not allowed for mounting purposes. An adhesive spray or special adhesive board is best. Mat Framing (of any kind) is not allowed and will result in disqualification.
- All photos must be submitted with a photo label on the back giving the following information: contestant name, age (as of January 1, 2015), county of residence, and category entered.
- No Photo Stories will be accepted. Individual photos only, please.
- All photos must be received by May 29, 2015.

## Photo Label

This label should be secured to the back of each photo entry.  
Print legibly and make sure all boxes are checked correctly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Return Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Category (PICK ONLY ONE)

Animals Wildlife	Dominant Color
Animals Domestic	Elements of Design
People	Landscape & Nature
Plant Flora	Food
Details & Macro	Catch-All

### Division (PICK ONLY ONE)

Junior (Age 8 to 10) \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate (Age 11 to 13) \_\_\_\_\_

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