

Sugar Grove Nature Center

2014 Nature Photography Contest

- Who can enter?** All photographers are eligible for entry.
- What are the age divisions?** Adult and Youth (13 years and under).
- What are the categories?** There are four categories in the Adult Division: Wildlife (anything from insects to mammals, please no domesticated animals), Natural Landscapes (contains minimal evidence of human made structures), Native Plants and Fungi (close-ups), People Active in Nature (written release required from people shown in the photograph, please no portrait-type pictures). There is one category in the Youth Division: Nature (which includes Wildlife, Natural Landscapes, Native Plants and Fungi, and People Active in Nature).
- What are the awards?** Awards will be given for Best of Show and Best Photograph taken in Funks Grove. First, Second and Third place prizes will also be given for each category in the Adult Division. First, Second and Third place prizes will also be given in the Youth Division. Prizes will include items such as gift cards, photography books, and nature center memberships. Prizes will not be duplicated if a photographer wins multiple awards.

Rules:

1. Fee \$3.00 per entry. Limit of two entries per photographer.
 2. Photographs must be taken in McLean or surrounding counties (Cass, Champaign, DeWitt, Ford, Fulton, Livingston, Logan, Marshall, Mason, Morgan, Peoria, Piatt, Sangamon, Tazewell and Woodford) in Illinois between the dates of January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2014.
 3. Photographs must be either 8" X 10" or 8.5" X 11" (excluding matting) and be matted. Matting size must be 11" X 14".
 4. No framed prints will be accepted.
 5. No names should appear on the front of a print.
 6. All entries must include the following information (printed neatly) on the back of the photograph: name, address and phone number of photographer; title of photograph, location and date photograph was taken; age division and category (see above).
 7. Minor alterations (e.g. 'red eye', cropping, etc) of photographs via computer hardware/software means are acceptable for all categories.
 8. Entries are to be submitted between September 1 and September 30, 2014. Entries received outside of these dates will not be accepted. No e-mail entries will be accepted.
 9. Sugar Grove Nature Center reserves the right to re-reclassify or reject any entry deemed necessary. Failure to follow any of the contest rules may also result in the photograph being rejected and forfeiture of the entry fee.
 10. Entering the contest gives Sugar Grove Nature Center the right to use the photographs to promote the Center and conservation. Winning entries will be required to provide a jpeg digital copy of the photograph to the Nature Center by October 14, 2014.
 11. Non-winning entries will be returned if a stamped self addressed envelope is provided or the photographs can be picked up at the Nature Center throughout the month of November during normal business hours.
 12. All winning photographs will be displayed on the Sugar Grove Nature Center website and will also be on display at Sugar Grove Nature Center during Autumn Celebration on October 18, 2014.
 13. Winners will be publicly announced on October 17, 2014.
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Sugar Grove Nature Center
Nature Photography Contest 2014
Entry Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Title of Photograph	Category (for Adult Division) (wildlife, landscape, plant, people in nature)	Division (youth/adult)	Fee Paid (\$3 per entry)

Make checks payable to Sugar Grove Nature Center

Mail entries to:

Sugar Grove Nature Center Photo Contest

4532 N 725 East Road

McLean, IL 61754

Questions ?????: 309.874.2174 or info@sugargrovenaturecenter.org