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Photo Contests

Our members have compiled the list of photo contests below. They are organized into two groups: Regional/State/Local Contests and National Contests. Within each group they are organized by deadline (if they have a regular deadline).

The deadlines and links shown in this document applied to contests in 2015 and 2016. Because contests can change from year to year, you should verify the deadline a few months in advance of the deadline shown. The links may point to the last year's contest info, so you should search on the organization's home page/Facebook site or search on Google to find the current contest's rules and entry form.

Read all the contest rules thoroughly to ensure your submission and subject matter comply with the guidelines. For example, you may need model releases if your photos include people. You also may be ineligible from competing if you were a winner in the same contest the year prior.

If you wish to add to or revise the information in this list, please email secretary@digitalphotoclub.net.

Regional/State/Local Contests

Chesapeake Magazine Best of the Bay

<http://onboard.bluewateryachtsales.com/vote-now-in-chesapeake-bay-magazines-annual-best-of-the-bay-survey/>

Annual contest. Entries due March 15

Chesapeake Bay Foundation Save the Bay

Contest <http://www.cbf.org/events/photo-contest/rules>

Annual contest. Entries due April 22

Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival

<http://sheepandwool.org/festival/sheep-photo-contest/>

Annual contest. Entries due May 6

Friends of Quiet Waters

<http://fqwp.org/2016-photo-contest-has-arrived/>

Annual contest. Entries due May 30

Washington Post Travel Photography Contest

https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/travel/16th-annual-travel-photo-contest-official-rules/2015/05/28/6574bbd0-ff18-11e4-805c-c3f407e5a9e9_story.html

Annual contest. Entries due July 24

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National Park Service Upper Delaware

<https://www.nps.gov/upde/getinvolved/enter-your-photo.htm>

Annual contest. Entries due August 25

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

<http://dnr.maryland.gov/photocontest/>

Annual contest. Entries due August 31

Anacostia Trails

<http://www.anacostiatrails.org/annual-photo-contest>

Annual contest. Entries due September 10

Anne Arundel County Fair

<http://www.aacountyfair.org/fair-week/fair-catalog>. Click on Photos.

Annual contest. Entry days are usually Sunday and Monday of the week in which the Fair starts, around September 11 and 12

Conowingo Eagle Photo Contest

<http://www.supportconowingodam.com/news/news/2015photocontest#>

Annual contest. Entries due December 31

Kinder Farm Park

http://kinderfarmpark.org/newsletters/Winter_2016_FoKFP_NL.pdf - Go to pages 13-14.

Annual contest. Entries due December 31

Maryland Renaissance Festival

<http://www.rennfest.com/>

Annual contest. Entries due December 31

Baltimore Sun

<http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/photos/reader-sunshots/>

Weekly contest with themes

Maryland SUP

<http://www.marylandsup.com/photo-contest/>

Monthly contest of stand-up paddling shots

Maryland Zoo in Baltimore

<http://www.marylandzoo.org/edzoocation/photo-contest/>

Monthly contest

Chesapeake Conservancy

<http://www.chesapeakeconservancy.org/Photo-Contest>

Quarterly contest

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National Contests

World Press Photo

<https://submit.worldpressphoto.org/>

Annual contest. Entries due January 13; must have created an account at least 1 week prior

AARP

<http://www.aarp.org/aarp-foundation/about-us/calendar-contest.html>

Annual calendar contest around a specific theme. Must be AARP member to submit. Entries due January 24

Country Magazine Our National Parks

<http://www.country-magazine.com/contests/closed-our-national-parks-photo-contest-official-rules/>

Annual contest. Entries due March 8

Nikon Small World Competition

<http://photocontestguru.com/contests/nikon-small-world-competition-2016/>

Annual contest. Entries due April 30

Volvo

<http://www.ipdusa.com/blogs/426/photo-contest-2016>

Annual contest of Volvo car shots. Entries due May 1

World Oceans Day

<http://www.worldoceansday.org/photocontest/>

Annual contest. Entries due May 20.

National Geographic Travel Photographer of the Year

<http://travel.nationalgeographic.com/photographer-of-the-year-2016/>

Annual contest. Entries due May 27

Nature Conservancy

<http://www.nature.org/photos-and-video/photography/photo-contest/index.htm?intc=nature.tnav.photos.list&src=sea.AWP.PR0.CP105.AD922.KW6008.MT1.BU908&nst=0&adpos=1s1&creative=85218519158&device=c&matchtype=b&network=s&gclid=CNi5xYedpMcCFYORHwodOHsCAg>

Annual contest. Entries due June 30

West Marine Photo Calendar

http://www.westmarine.com/boat-calendar-photo-contest?AID=11555567&PID=4143882&cm_mmc=AF-_-CJ-_-4143882-_-3146007

Annual contest. Entries due July 31. Must be a West Marine Advantage member

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Bee Culture Magazine

<http://www.beeculture.com/photo-contest-2016/>

Monthly contest

Nature's Best Photography

https://www.naturesbestphotography.com/enter_guidelines.php

Several contests with various deadlines.

NASA

<http://www.nasa.gov>

Periodic contests announced on the NASA web site and social media

Nikon Photo Contest

<http://www.nikon-photocontest.com/en/>

Annual contest. Entries due by January 27

Where to find more contests

<http://www.photocontestinsider.com/>

<http://www.photocompete.com/>

http://www.fanartreview.com/page/photo_contest/photo_contest.jsp

<http://www.popphoto.com/contests>

<http://shootandshare.com/photo-contest/>