# 2021 IOWA STATE FAIR AUGUST 12 - 22 81st ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHY SALON

Cultural Center - Third Level

SUPERINTENDENTS - Pam Deichmann, Winterset, IA & Christina Young, Indianola, IA

### PRIZE MONEY DONATED BY OUR SPONSORS

 Top Ten Awards
 \$2,050

 Class Awards
 \$6,300

 Total Awarded
 \$8,350

### **ENTRY DEADLINE**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$5 per photo. Make checks payable to the Iowa State Fair.

**ENTRIES ACCEPTED:** Saturday, June 12 and Sunday, June 13 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the **Cultural Center**.

ENTRY DEADLINE: Any photos received after 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 13 will NOT be judged.

#### **ENTRY RULES – READ CAREFULLY**

- 1. IDENTITY: Under the penalty of being **disqualified**, by entering I **certify** that the **photos** being entered were taken by **me** and **NOT** by another person. I also **certify** that I have **NOT** submitted any **additional** photos under an **assumed** name.
- 2. JURIED COMPETITION: Only those photos selected by the panel of judges will be exhibited.
- 3. ELIGIBILITY: The same photo or similar photo previously exhibited at the lowa State Fair is NOT eligible for entry.
- 4. ORIGINALITY: Photographers <u>must</u> use their **own** ideas and concepts when creating **their** photos. Do **NOT** *copy*, *duplicate* or *replicate* the **ideas** of other photographers or previous winners.
- 5. ENTRIES: Each photographer can enter up to four (4) photos. There is a limit of one photo per class.
- 6. CLASSES: Classes are **determined** by the **main subject** matter of **each** photo. The **same** photo or **similar** photo **cannot** be entered in **multiple** classes. To **increase** your chances of being **exhibited**, your photos should be of entirely **different** subjects.
- 7. FAIRNESS: In the **fairness of competition**, please carefully read the **General Guidelines For Entering Photos** on page 2. The **goal** is to make sure that the photos in **each** of the classes are judged as **fairly** against each other as **humanly** possible.
- 8. EDITING PHOTOS: The lowa State Fair photography competition is about the ART of Photography **NOT** Photoshop. Basic editing techniques are acceptable for any of the normal classes. Read the **General Guidelines For Entering Photos** on page 2.
- 9. PHOTO BACKING: All photos <u>must</u> be <u>mounted</u> on 11" x 14" foam core or gator board that is at least 1/8" thick. Exception: Photos in the panoramic class <u>must</u> be <u>mounted</u> on 7" x 20" foam core or gator board that is at least 1/8" thick. Do **NOT** use mat board or styrene!
  - **NOTE:** It is **highly** recommended that photos be **dry mounted**. It is available at photo labs, art supply stores and frame shops.
- 10. PHOTO SIZE: Photos can be any size up to and including 11" x 14" but <u>must</u> be mounted on 11" x 14" foam core or gator board per Rule #9.
- 11. ENTRY: Photographer's name, photo title, date of photo and other text must NOT appear on front of entry.
- 12. MATS: We judge your photo NOT the mat. Mat colors should NOT compete with your photo. Mats are optional.
- 13. TITLES: We judge your photo **NOT** the title. The titles are for the public **NOT** the judges. Please **limit** titles to three or four words.
- 14. CAMERAS: We judge your photo **NOT** what you took it with. Photos can be taken with any camera, cell phone or tablet.
- 15. PRESENTATION: All photos must be unframed. There should be NO hooks or wires attached to the back of entries. Do NOT cover entry with cellophane, acetate or glass. There should be NO spray adhesive or self-stick adhesive exposed that could damage another person's photo.
- 16. REPRODUCTION: The lowa State Fair reserves the right to reproduce in any form any work submitted.
- 17. LOSS OR DAMAGE: Photos will be handled with care. However, the lowa State Fair is **NOT** responsible for **any** loss or damage.
- 18. GENERAL RULES: General rules listed on the lowa State Fair website also apply in this department.
- 19. QUESTIONS: If you have questions, please contact the lowa State Fair Entry Department at 515-262-3111 ext. 267.

NOTE: Any photo that does NOT meet the above requirements will NOT be judged. Entry fees will NOT be refunded.

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### **ENTERING IN PERSON**

ENTRIES ACCEPTED: Saturday, June 12 and Sunday, June 13 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Cultural Center.

### **ENTERING BY MAIL**

Do **NOT** mail <u>before</u> Monday, May 17. Entries by mail <u>must</u> be postmarked by <u>midnight</u> on Saturday, June 5. To enter by mail you <u>must</u> include your <u>entry form</u>, <u>entry fee <u>and</u> <u>photos</u> in the same package. Make sure to <u>wrap</u> your photos with <u>plenty</u> of packing materials to <u>prevent</u> them from being <u>damaged</u> during shipment. You can use <u>either</u> of the two shipping addresses below.</u>

Standard Mail: Iowa State Fair, Photography Salon, P.O. Box 57130, Des Moines, IA 50317.

UPS or FedEx: Iowa State Fair, Photography Salon, 3000 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50317.

## **RETURNING PHOTOS BY MAIL**

Entries will be returned by mail <u>only</u> if a <u>return mailer</u> is <u>included</u> with <u>sufficient return postage</u> and a <u>pre-addressed shipping label</u>. Photos will <u>only</u> be returned via the United States Postal Service or UPS. Please do **NOT** use FedEx for your return mailer.

# **PICKING UP PHOTOS IN PERSON**

If <u>any</u> of your photos are accepted for display, you must wait <u>until</u> the end of the Fair to pick up <u>all</u> your photos.

If <u>none</u> of your photos are accepted for display, you can **pick up** your photos at anytime during the Fair at the Photography Salon in the Cultural Center **or** at any of the times listed below.

### **CULTURAL CENTER, IOWA STATE FAIRGROUNDS**

Sunday, August 22 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. <u>and</u> Monday, August 23 from Noon until 6:00 p.m. Photos will **NOT** be released <u>until</u> 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 22.

Admission <u>will</u> be charged at the gate on Sunday, August 22. There is no entry after 9:00 p.m.

NOTE: Photos will NOT be returned on Tuesday, August 24.

### **ENTRY DEPARTMENT, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

Wednesday, August 25 <u>until</u> Friday, September 3
Weekdays from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. <u>and</u> Weekends from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

After Friday, September 3, all unclaimed entries become the property of the lowa State Fair and will be disposed of as deemed necessary.

NOTE: Photos will NOT be returned on Tuesday, August 24.

## **GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ENTERING PHOTOS**

**FAIRNESS:** In the **fairness of competition**, please note the comments below. The **goal** is to make sure that the photos in **each** of the classes are judged as **fairly** against each other as **humanly** possible.

**CLASSES:** If we showed your photo to a thousand people, where would their eye go to first? Classes are determined by the main subject matter of each photo. The same photo or similar photo cannot be entered in multiple classes. Photos that are the same or similar will be rejected. To increase your chances of being exhibited, your photos should be of entirely different subjects.

**THEME CLASS:** The theme class **changes** each year. It is used as a way to **challenge** photographers. It is also used as a way for them to **learn** a new skill set. It is a totally **separate** class from all the other classes. All your photos do **NOT** have to fit the theme each year. You **only** need to follow the **rules** of the **theme class** if you **enter** a photo in that class.

**EDITING PHOTOS:** The lowa State Fair photo competition is about the *art* of Photography **NOT** Photoshop. Basic editing techniques are acceptable for any of the normal classes. Some examples of basic editing include: cropping, sharpening, dodging, burning, increasing saturation, increasing contrast and removing dust spots. Be careful to **NOT** *over-sharpen* or *over-saturate* your photos. Photos **must** be from a **single** image. Objects from another photo **cannot** be added to your **original** image.

Class 41, 42, and 43 are reserved for photos that have been edited beyond the basic editing techniques described above.

- Class 41: Anything Goes does NOT mean that you can enter any photo you want. This class is reserved for photos that have been dramatically computer enhanced or radically altered.
- Class 42: Reserved for Infrared, Toned, Tinted and Solarized photos. They cannot be entered in any other classes.
- Class 43: All High Dynamic Range photos must be entered in this class. HDR photos cannot be entered in any other classes.

RAILROAD PHOTOS: Photos of people, including photographers, standing on railroad tracks or the right of way will be rejected.

#### **JUDGING PROCESS**

**JUDGING:** It is **NOT** the judges' responsibility to pick out <u>your</u> best baby, dog, cat, bird, squirrel, flower, barn, bridge, building, sunrise, sunset, night or landscape photo. **You** need to **prejudge** your own work. During the **first** round of judging, **all** of your photos are lined up **together** in front of the judges. To **increase** your chances of being **exhibited**, your photos should be of entirely **different** subjects.

**RESULTS:** A results **postcard** will be mailed to entrants in July. Judging results will **NOT** be announced **before** the start of the lowa State Fair. A list of exhibitors who have **one** or **more** photos **accepted** for display will be **posted** on the lowa State Fair website at www.iowastatefair.org on **Wednesday** prior to opening day of the lowa State Fair. The judges' decisions are final.

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# **DIVISIONS AND CLASSES**

Each photographer can enter up to four (4) photos.

There is a **limit** of **one** photo **per** class.

Classes are **determined** by the **main subject** matter of **each** photo.

The same photo or similar photo cannot be entered in multiple classes.

Photos that are the same or similar will be rejected.

All photos must be mounted on 11" x 14" foam core or gator board that is at least 1/8" thick.

# ADULT DIVISION: COLOR (Must be 19 & over.)

FIRST PLACE - \$100, SECOND PLACE - \$75, THIRD PLACE - \$50 and HONORABLE MENTION

<u>Class</u>	Category
11	THEME - SHADOWS
12	PEOPLE
13	IOWA PLACES & LANDSCAPES (Place or Landscape must be the main subject.)
14	USA PLACES & LANDSCAPES (Place or Landscape must be the main subject.)
15	INTERNATIONAL PLACES & LANDSCAPES (Place or Landscape must be the main subject.)
16	THINGS & STILL LIFE (Inanimate objects. Things that are <b>NOT</b> living or breathing.)
17	PLANTS, FLOWERS & TREES
18	ANIMALS, INSECTS & WILDLIFE

# ADULT DIVISION: BLACK & WHITE (Must be 19 & over.)

FIRST PLACE - \$100, SECOND PLACE - \$75, THIRD PLACE - \$50 and HONORABLE MENTION

<u>Class</u>	Category
21	THEME - SHADOWS
22	PEOPLE
23	PLACES & LANDSCAPES (Place or Landscape must be the main subject.)
24	THINGS & STILL LIFE (Inanimate objects. Things that are <b>NOT</b> living or breathing.)
25	PLANTS, FLOWERS & TREES
26	ANIMALS, INSECTS & WILDLIFE

# YOUTH DIVISION: BLACK & WHITE OR COLOR (Must be 18 & under.)

FIRST PLACE - \$75, SECOND PLACE - \$50, THIRD PLACE - \$25 and HONORABLE MENTION

<u>Class</u>	Category
31	THEME - SHADOWS
32	PEOPLE
33	PLACES & LANDSCAPES (Place or Landscape must be the main subject.)
34	THINGS & STILL LIFE (Inanimate objects. Things that are <b>NOT</b> living or breathing.)
35	PLANTS, FLOWERS & TREES
36	ANIMALS, INSECTS & WILDLIFE

# SPECIAL DIVISION: BLACK & WHITE OR COLOR

(Open to both Adults and Youth.)

FIRST PLACE - \$100, SECOND PLACE - \$75, THIRD PLACE - \$50 and HONORABLE MENTION

<u>Class</u>	Category
41	ANYTHING GOES! (Does <b>NOT</b> mean <u>any</u> photo! For <b>dramatically</b> computer enhanced or <b>radically</b> altered photos only.)
42	INFRARED, TONED, TINTED & SOLARIZED (Infrared, Toned, Tinted & Solarized photos cannot be entered in any other classes.)
43	HIGH DYNAMIC RANGE (All HDR photos must be entered in this class. They cannot be entered in any other classes.)
44	FAIRS, FESTIVALS & PARADES (Any photos where people come together to celebrate an event.)
45	PLANES, TRAINS & AUTOMOBILES (Any form of transportation. Do <b>NOT</b> stand on or take photos of <b>people</b> on tracks.)
46	MACRO (Close up photography of small objects that are magnified to "life size". Animals, Insects and Flowers are not eligible.)
47	ARCHITECTURE (Examples of American and International architecture, both past and present.)
48	FAMILY FARM (Examples of living, working, playing and way of life on a family farm.)
49	SPORTS (Any sports related photos, includes action and non-action photos.)
50	PANORAMIC (Must be mounted on 7"x20" foam core or gator board that is at least 1/8" thick. Photos can be stitched together.)

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# **PRIZE SPONSORS**

TOP FIVE ADULT AWARDS Best of Show (Adult) Best of Color (Adult) Best of Black & White (Adult) Superintendent's Choice (Adult - Color) Superintendent's Choice (Adult - B&W)	CHRISTIAN PHOTO, Des Moines UNIVERSITY PHOTO, Clive STUDIO AU, Des Moines DIANE DARNIELLE MEMORIAL AWARD, Des Moines Camera Club, Johnston LOMBARDI LAW FIRM, West Des Moines	\$500 \$250 \$250 \$150 \$150
TOP FIVE YOUTH AWARDS Best of Show (Youth) Best of Color (Youth) Best of Black & White (Youth) Superintendent's Choice (Youth - Color) Superintendent's Choice (Youth - B&W)	JERRY & MARGARET RANCH, West Des Moines PHOTOSYNTHESIS, Ames JEN HUNT PHOTOGRAPHY & ART, Bettendorf RAY ANDREWS MEMORIAL, Des Moines Camera Club, Johnston PAUL J. GRILLO, Parkersburg	\$250 \$150 \$150 \$100 \$100
ADULT DIVISION: COLOR Class 11: Theme Class 12: People Class 13: Iowa Places & Landscapes Class 14: USA Places & Landscapes Class 15: International Places & Landscapes Class 16: Things & Still Life Class 17: Plants, Flowers & Trees Class 18: Animals, Insects & Wildlife	VICKY STOUT AND BILL TRICKEY, Osceola BOB BROWN AUTO, Urbandale THE IOWAN MAGAZINE, Ames JERRY TORMEY MEMORIAL AWARD, Des Moines IOWA SISTER STATES, Des Moines NEED SPONSOR * CLARKE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, Osceola KEN BICKEL FAMILY, Anita	\$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225
ADULT DIVISION: BLACK & WHITE Class 21: Theme Class 22: People Class 23: Places & Landscapes Class 24: Things & Still Life Class 25: Plants, Flowers & Trees Class 26: Animals, Insects & Wildlife	NEED SPONSOR * NEED SPONSOR * NEED SPONSOR * DES MOINES CAMERA CLUB, Johnston NEED SPONSOR * THROUGH THE LENS ITTL, Council Bluffs	\$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225
YOUTH DIVISION: BLACK & WHITE OR COLOR Class 31: Theme Class 32: People Class 33: Places & Landscapes Class 34: Things & Still Life Class 35: Plants, Flowers & Trees Class 36: Animals, Insects & Wildlife	AMY DOERRING PHOTOGRAPHY, Newton DIANE LOWRY, Ames CONNIE HILTS, Greenbrier, AR LINN AREA PHOTO CLUB, Marion AMY CRAIG WILSON MEMORIAL, Des Moines PATRICIA VERWERS LANG MEMORIAL, Eagle WI	\$150 \$150 \$150 \$150 \$150 \$150
SPECIAL DIVISION: BLACK & WHITE OR COLOR Class 41: Anything Goes! Class 42: Infrared, Toned, Tinted & Solarized Class 43: High Dynamic Range Class 44: Fairs, Festivals & Parades Class 45: Planes, Trains & Automobiles Class 46: Macro Class 47: Architecture Class 48: Family Farm Class 49: Sports Class 50: Panoramic	LEON MAXSON MEMORIAL, South West Iowa Shutterbugs, Corning NEED SPONSOR * STEVIN DAHL - GOLD CROWN PHOTOGRAPHY, Ames MARDIS & LEONA COLLINS MEMORIAL, Osceola FENNER H. STEVENSON MEMORIAL, Boone Scenic Railroad, Boone JOHN RYAN, Des Moines AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, Des Moines SILOS & SMOKESTACKS, Waterloo NEED SPONSOR * HAMILTON'S FUNERAL HOME, Des Moines	\$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225 \$225

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**TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED** 

**NOTE:** The dollar amounts listed above in the **class** awards is the **total** of the prize money paid out to the **First Place**, **Second Place**, and **Third Place** winners in **each** class.

# 2021 ENTRY INFORMATION THEME CLASS

# **SHADOWS**

"Essentially what photography is is life lit up." - Sam Abell

Where there is light, there are certain to be shadows. As photographers, we are constantly searching for the ideal lighting conditions to capture the drama that can help portray a certain atmosphere in a photograph. Next year theme will hopefully have you chasing that perfect light, but not the light itself, but for the shadows it creates.

This assignment may take some time and patience but the purpose here is to watch the world around you and how the light develops shadows. Take notice of how the angles of the light change the directions of the shadows.



We will want to see images where there is vast detail in the difference between the light and the shadow it is creating. Look for scenes that are going to give an opportunity to shoot the same subject from many different angles as the light changes around you. This will also be an excellent exercise in contrast. The more light there is the more shadow it can create and thus making for a more dramatic photograph. This should also create a mood for your photograph. And before you leave the scene that you have been capturing take the time to turn around and look at the light behind you, you never know what you might find.

Remember, you want to show us the world as we have never seen it before. Show us the drama and mood that shadows can create in this world around us.

# **ENTRY BLANKS** FOR OFFICE USE ONLY PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ENTRY# As you face the BACK of each photo, SECURELY attach label in UPPER LEFT-HAND CORNER Mailed In \_\_\_\_\_ Mail Back \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of Photos That You Entered in 2021: **2021 IOWA STATE FAIR** PHOTOGRAPHY SALON ENTRY FORM **ENTRIES ACCEPTED** Address Saturday, June 12 & Sunday, June 13 From 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Cultural Center. **COMPLETE FORM BELOW** State\_\_\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_\_ Submit Entry Form and Entry Fee of \$5 per photo. Make checks payable to the Iowa State Fair. Class #\_\_\_\_\_ Age (if Youth)\_\_\_\_ Check **ONE** and please **PRINT** clearly. Photo Title\_\_\_\_ Adult (19 & over) \_\_ Youth (18 & under) \_\_\_ Age (if Youth) Total # of Photos That You Entered in 2021:\_\_\_\_ By entering I certify that the photos listed below were taken by me and NOT by another person. I also certify that I have NOT submitted any additional photos under an assumed name. Address First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_ Last Name Class #\_\_\_\_\_ Age (if Youth)\_\_\_\_\_ (Cut along Total # of Photos That You Entered in 2021: State\_\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_ Phone Number( ) Address Email \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_ LIST PHOTOS BEING ENTERED BELOW Class #\_\_\_\_\_ Age (if Youth)\_\_\_\_\_ Please <u>limit</u> photo titles to <u>three</u> or <u>four</u> words. Photo Title\_\_\_\_ Photo Class # **Photo Title NOT Class Title** Total # of Photos That You Entered in 2021: Name B. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age (if Youth)\_\_\_\_

Photo Title\_\_\_

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