

# **Photo Contest Guidelines**

This contest is open to individuals of all ages and can include amateurs and professionals. Employees of the museum are not eligible to participate.

## **PHOTO SUBMISSIONS**

- a. Entries must be from the Photography Night at the Museum event on October 20, 2023 and can only be submitted between October 20-27 at midnight. No entries will be accepted before or after the designated day.
- b. Museum admission enables each participant to submit up to three photographs for consideration.
- c. All entries must be original works created by the participant. Plagiarism or copyright infringement will result in disqualification.
- d. Photos must be in digital format and should meet the following specifications outlined by the museum: Photos should be submitted as .png or .tiff files and no larger than 10 MB. JPEG files can be accepted, but .png and .tiff are preferred. The lowest quality accepted is 300 ppi. Photos can be submitted with coloration treatments such as grayscale, or color adjustments in a photo editing program,but the color version must be included as well. No date stamps should be on the image.
- e. If your image contains people, where you can see their faces, you will need to ask them to sign a release form. If your image includes minors, where you can see their faces, you will need a signed release from the minor's parent or guardian (even if it is a family member).
- e. Entries that contain offensive, inappropriate, or explicit content will be disqualified.
- f. Participants must complete all required fields of the submission form accurately and truthfully.

## **PERMISSIONS AND USAGE RIGHTS**

- a. By submitting a photograph, participants grant the museum a non-exclusive, perpetual, worldwide license to use, reproduce, display, and distribute the entry in any media for promotional and educational purposes related to the museum without further compensation.
- b. Participants warrant that they are the sole owners of the submitted photograph and have obtained all necessary permissions, releases, or consents to grant the museum the rights specified in section
- c. The museum will credit the photographer whenever the photo is used.
- d. The photographer agrees that if their image is chosen by a panel of museum appointed judges as a top 14 image, the image will be placed in a museum calendar that will have

limited distribution to those designated by the museum and participants and will be available in the museum store. *There is no compensation for use of images.* 

#### **JUDGING**

- a. A panel of judges selected by the museum will evaluate the entries based on creativity, composition, technical skill, and adherence to the contest theme, "The Museum Through Your Eyes," showcasing the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History.
- b. The judges will narrow down the selection from all entries to 20. These 20 images will be uploaded to the Museum's Facebook Meta account. The top 14 vote getters (likes) will be included on a special edition museum calendar. The public portion of voting will take place November 6-8th with winners announced on the 10th. Winners will be notified via email or other contact information provided during submission.

### RIGHTS TO MODIFY OR CANCEL

- a. The museum reserves the right to modify or cancel the contest at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or if deemed necessary.
- b. The museum may disqualify any entry that violates the contest rules or fails to meet the submission requirements.

#### LIABILITY

- a. Participants assume all risks and responsibilities associated with their participation in the contest.
- b. The museum and its affiliates, directors, officers, employees, and volunteers shall not be held responsible for any loss, damage, injury, or claim arising out of or related to the contest.

By participating in the museum photo contest, I agree to these rules and guidelines. Your typed signature indicates your agreement.

Printed name:
Date:
Age:
Email:
Phone:

Please note that the museum artifacts cannot be altered for a better angle of your photo, you may not touch items or move display cases. Anyone violating this rule will be disqualified from entry into the contest.