

## 2019 LAND TRUSTS PHOTO CONTEST RULES

*Hosted by the East Haddam, Essex, Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook and Salem Land Trusts*

1. This contest is open only to amateur photographers (photography is not a principal source of income).
2. Entries must be submitted between January 2, 2019 and February 28, 2019.
3. Photos must be taken in or of the towns of East Haddam, Essex, Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook and Salem. The photographer does not have to reside in these towns. Drone photos are ineligible for entry.
4. Photographers may enter up to three (3) photo entries, but can only win one prize per category.
5. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place cash prizes are awarded in each of the following eight categories:

<b>Land Trust Properties</b> (see <a href="http://landtrustsphotocontest.org">landtrustsphotocontest.org</a> for list)	<b>Plants</b>
<b>Landscape / Waterscape</b>	<b>Wildlife</b>
<b>Cultural / Historic</b> (includes domestic animals and buildings)	<b>Black &amp; White</b> (of any land trust property, landscape/waterscape, plants, wildlife, cultural/historic)
<b>Youth Age 14 to 18</b> (photos of any of the other categories, entrants between age 14 -18 as of February 28, 2019)	<b>Youth Age 13 and Younger</b> (photos of any of the other categories, entrants age 13 and younger as of February 28, 2019)
6. All entries are eligible for the John G. Mitchell Award for the photo best reflecting environmental conservation.
7. This contest prohibits capturing or restraining wildlife for photographic purposes.
8. All entries must be 8x10 inches in size (if a different ratio, then close to 8x10) and must be matted or mounted to no larger than 12x14. Label the top side on the back of the entry with entrant's name and title of the photo. Do not put name on the front. Do not submit hard frames or metal or canvas prints.
9. A separate and signed 2019 Entry Form must be completed for and accompany each submitted photo. Entries may be mailed to Land Trusts Photo Contest, P.O. Box 1002, Old Lyme CT 06371 or dropped off at one of two locations: Old Lyme Library, 2 Library Ln, Old Lyme, CT or Essex Library, 33 West Ave, Essex, CT.
10. In addition to submitting your matted photo entry, you must also provide digital copies of your photos by email to [info@landtrustsphotocontest.org](mailto:info@landtrustsphotocontest.org) or submit a CD with digital files of your photo(s). Please see [landtrustsphotocontest.org](http://landtrustsphotocontest.org) for information regarding how to submit your digital photos.
11. All entries will be exhibited at the Land Trusts Photo Contest Reception on April 12, 2019. Winning photos will be displayed during the following year at local venues. Non-winning photos should be retrieved by the entrant at the end of the reception or picked up at designated locations within one month of the reception. Unclaimed, non-winning photos will not be returned by mail or other delivery and become the property of the Land Trusts.
12. Winning photos remain the property of the Land Trusts. While photographers retain complete copyright over their entries, the Land Trusts retain a royalty-free right of use, display, and reproduction of the winning photos (and any unclaimed, non-winning photos) for purposes of publication in all media including but not limited to website use, social media, exhibitions, slideshows and other items for fund-raising. In such use, every attempt will be made to credit the photographer.
13. All matted prints are submitted at the photographer's own risk. Although every care will be taken with each entry, the Land Trusts are not responsible for any loss of or damage to any of the entries.
14. By submitting a photo, you warrant and represent that each submitted photo is your original work to which you alone own the copyright. It is each entrant's legal responsibility to ensure that they comply with these ownership and copyright requirements and that they own the rights to reproduction of their photos without violating the rights of any third party. Entrants who do not fulfill these criteria will be deemed ineligible and disqualified.
15. The Land Trusts and judges reserve the right to change the category placement of any entry as well as the right to amend these rules and/or prizes as deemed reasonably necessary.