



Coon Rapids Arts Commission
PHOTO CONTEST
2022 Entry Rules & Guidelines

Deadline: Photographs must be received by **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2022.**

Eligible:

- All members of the public.
- Amateur photographers only.

NOT Eligible:

- Coon Rapids employees & family, Coon Rapids Arts Commission members & family, contest sponsors

Entry Rules:

- Photographs must follow the theme: **Together Again.**
- Photographs must not previously be published or entered into other contests.
- Photographs must be taken within the city limits of Coon Rapids, MN in 2020 or later.
- Limit one (1) entry per person per contest.
- Photographs from all seasons are encouraged.
- It is the responsibility of the photographer to obtain permission rights if photographing individuals.
- The City is not responsible for lost or misdirected entries.

NOT Accepted:

- Slides, photocopies, framed/mounted/matted prints.
- Photographs with obscene content will not be considered.
- Manipulation of digital images should be limited to traditional printing techniques, such as changing saturation and contrast, burning-in and dodging, eliminating dust spots, etc. Images in which content has been altered (elements eliminated, added, rearranged, photoshopped, etc.) will not be accepted.

Judging & Awards:

- Entries will be reviewed by the Coon Rapids Arts Commission in September.
- Photographs will be judged on the basis of creativity, photographic quality and how an image expresses the participant's creative ideas.
- Winners will be judged in two age categories:
 - Youth (17 years and under).
 - Adult (18 years and over).
- 1st and 2nd place prizes will be awarded in each age bracket:
 - 1st Place: \$100.
 - 2nd Place: \$50.
- Entrants in each category may have their photographs published on the City website and social media, on CTN cable television, and in the City newsletter.
- Winning entries may be used for promotional and advertising purposes in City communications.
- All decisions are final. Judges reserve the right to disqualify any entrant.
- Prizes may not be awarded if no acceptable entries are received.



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