

Smokies Through the Lens Photography Contest

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The most up to date rules and entry information can be found online at colbysphotography.com/wilderness

Submission Dates

SUBMISSIONS END: MIDNIGHT, JANUARY 3, 2023

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please read everything below. If you still have problems, contact Colby McLemore at colby@colbysphotography.com or (865) 924-1455.

Do not e-mail images as they will not be processed - use the following link: colbysphotography.com/wilderness

Images will be displayed during Wilderness Wildlife Week, January 24-28, 2023, at The Ramsey Hotel & Convention Center in Pigeon Forge from 10 AM to 6 PM daily.

Categories and Criteria

#	Category	Subject
1	Scenic Views of Great Smoky Mountains National Park	Any broad view image of land within Great Smoky Mountain National Park. The photograph may have people or human-made objects, but they must not be the dominant subject of the picture.
2	Wildlife of Great Smoky Mountains National Park	Any wildlife subject within Great Smoky Mountain National Park (no pets, posed subjects, or studio photographs).
3	Black & White Images of Great Smoky Mountains National Park	Any subject or scene related to nature, wilderness, or wildlife within Great Smoky Mountains National Park (no pets, posed subjects, or studio photographs) in black and white.
4	Manmade Landmarks of Great Smoky Mountains National Park	Entry must be of a humanmade Great Smoky Mountains National Park landmark (such as the Walker Sisters' Cabin, John Oliver Cabin, John Cable Grist Mill, Tyson McCarter Place, Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery, etc.). The entry can be from any season (fall, winter, spring, or summer). Artistic interpretations are welcome.
5	Macros of Great Smoky Mountains National Park	Any image that is photographed close up and must be photographed within Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Awards in each Category

FIRST PLACE: \$50 + RIBBON SECOND PLACE: \$30 + RIBBON THIRD PLACE: \$20 + RIBBON

One **Best of Show Ribbon**, along with \$50 will be awarded to the image the judges deem to have the best overall image quality while representing the spirit of wilderness and wildlife found in Great Smoky Mountains National Park. All first-place winners in all categories are eligible for the Best of Show award. The image awarded Best in Show, 1st Place, 2nd Place, or 3rd place winners may be included in Wilderness Wildlife Week promotions. **An image file of sufficient print quality must be given to the City and its representatives once the contest and judging are complete. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of this honor.**

All qualified images will be digitally displayed during Wilderness Wildlife Week, along with the winning photos, which will also be printed and displayed.

NOTE: Winners are to pick up their ribbons, checks, and potential printed images, at the informational front desk at the Wilderness Wildlife Event on Saturday, 28th before 5:00 pm or contact cheryl.lutes@cityofpigeonforgetn.gov for an earlier pickup.