

# Sharing Place: Eagles and Their Environs Photo Contest Rules

Official Rules of the Delaware Highlands Conservancy Eagles and Their Environs Photo Contest NO PURCHASE NECESSARY VOID WHERE PROHIBITED

## Eligibility

The eagle photography contest ("eagle photo contest") is open to all professional and amateur photographers. Board Members, Employees, interns, partners of the Delaware Highlands Conservancy, as well as immediate family (spouse, parents, siblings, and children) and household members of employees, are not eligible to enter. There will be a photo workshop bus tour to be held on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 but entrants need not participate in the bus trip in order to be eligible. Visit <a href="https://delawarehighlands.org/events/">https://delawarehighlands.org/events/</a> to learn more about the bus trip.

#### **Sponsor**

The eagle photo contest is sponsored by the Delaware Highlands Conservancy, PO Box 218, Hawley, PA 18428 ('Sponsor'). This contest is in no way sponsored by, endorsed by, administered by, or associated with Facebook.

#### **Entry Period**

Photos can be submitted beginning at 12:00am on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to 11:59pm on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (the "Entry Period"). Entries submitted before or after the entry period will not be eligible. Sponsor's computer will be the official timekeeping device for the eagle photo contest.

# **Voting Period**

The public vote for the People's Choice begins at March 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:00am and will end at to March 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm. Votes submitted before or after this period will not be eligible. Sponsor's computer is the official timekeeping device for the eagle photo contest.

## **Eligible Photos to enter**

For the eagle photo contest, we are accepting entries in the following categories:

- 1. Best photo of an eagle
- 2. Best photo of healthy eagle habitat (i.e. Clean air, pure water, forested land, ample space, etc.)
- 3. Photo of anything important to eagle welfare (i.e. Food, shelter, quiet and undisturbed settings, etc.)
- 4. Wild Card photos that don't fit the other categories but might result in good insights/images gained by the photographer in the process of photographing eagles.

Please remember to observe proper eagle viewing etiquette while photographing wildlife. This includes not harassing eagles, provoking them to fly, or in any other way disturbing the natural behavior of the eagles. For more information on

proper eagle etiquette, please visit <a href="https://delawarehighlands.org/eagles/eagle-watching/eagle-etiquette/">https://delawarehighlands.org/eagles/eagle-watching/eagle-etiquette/</a>. Photos must be original works submitted by the photographer. Eagles can be found in a wide variety of settings, so be creative!

Only photos taken in the Upper Delaware River Region will be eligible for the eagle photo contest. For the purposes of this contest, the Upper Delaware River Region is defined as any area in Delaware, Sullivan, or Orange Counties in New York and Wayne, Pike, and Monroe Counties in Pennsylvania.

A signature from entrant is required to be considered eligible for the contest. If a minor is submitting a photo, parent or guardian must submit signature. See contest acknowledgement of rules on last page for signature submission. Original copies of contest acknowledgement MUST be submitted by mail. Electronic copies will not be accepted. Forms must be postmarked by February 17<sup>th</sup> for photo(s) by entrant to be eligible. Mailed signatures can be sent to:

Delaware Highlands Conservancy Attn: Eagle Photo Contest PO Box 218 Hawley, PA 18428

Photo files should be no larger than 20mb in size and be of high enough resolution to be clearly printed in 8"x10". Photos must also be in .jpg, .JPEG, or.png file format. All photographs should accurately reflect the subject matter as it appears. Digitally altered photos beyond standard optimization such as removal of dust, cropping, adjustments to exposure, color and contrast, etc.) will be disqualified. Photos must be original works submitted by the photographer.

Please include the following information with your submitted photo

- Name of photographer
- Contact Information
- Location please be as specific as possible.
- City
- State
- County
- Caption of subject matter
- Make/Model of camera or phone

Please do not include photos that include people or photos that involve putting any animal in danger. Submissions should also not be watermarked. Photos may be deemed ineligible for any reason by the contest sponsor and do not require notification of the participant.

#### **How to Enter**

Eligible photos are to be submitted to <a href="mailto:dhcphotocontest@gmail.com">dhcphotocontest@gmail.com</a>. You will receive an automated response from this address. Email address will not be checked until the end of the entry period of the contest. Limit to two entries per person. Only the first two entries received will be honored. By submitting your entry, you accept your unconditional agreement to, and acceptance of the Official Rules and Sponsor's decisions.

# **Judging**

Photos will be judged on creativity, originality, composition, clarity and quality, and impact by a panel of jurors. Jurors will be:

#### Nancy Kiesendahl Bloch

Nancy, a graduate of Cornell University, was raised in her family's business, Woodloch Pines Resort in northeastern Pennsylvania where she was trained in the true spirit of hospitality and continues to serve as a consultant. Nancy is the co-owner and President of Kiesendahl+Calhoun Fine Art, Ltd. 2005-present, a Fine Art Gallery business originating in Beacon, New York. Her company represents over 50 artists and curates numerous shows in a variety of venues; private homes, cultural institutions, and distinctive gallery spaces, and seasonally hangs 50 pieces in an award-winning destination spa: The Lodge at Woodloch. Her criteria for choosing our artists is largely about a strong emotional response: wonder, exuberance and contemplation.

#### Sandy Long

Sandy Long is a writer, photographer and artist whose personal vision is deeply influenced by the natural world and focused on environmental, cultural and community issues. She is co-founder of Heron's Eye Communications (HeronsEye.com) based in Greeley, PA. In September 2014, Sandy was selected as the first Artist-in-Residence at Shenandoah National Park in Virginia. In November 2015, she served as Artist-in-Residence at the Delaware Highlands Conservancy's Lemons Brook Farm in Bethel, New York. Since 2006, Sandy has provided the nature column, "River Talk" to The River Reporter. She shares images of artful nature through the ongoing social media series, "Wonder Watch" (www.heronseye.com/wonder-watch-2016/) and on her website (SandyLongPhotos.com).

# - Mary Sue Sweeney Price

Mary Sue Sweeney Price is Director Emerita of the Newark Museum, which displays one of the nation's finest collections of American art in galleries designed by acclaimed architect Michael Graves. The Museum is nationally recognized for its collections, architecture, and historic commitment to education and access. Mrs. Price oversaw the restoration and reinterpretation of the Victorian Ballantine House, a National Historic Landmark, the creation of the Victoria Hall of Science, and exhibitions such as "Crowning Glory: Images of the Virgin in the Arts of Portugal," and "Wrapped in Pride: Ghanaian Kente and African American Identity." She is past president of the Association of Art Museum Directors (AAMD), representing the major art museums in North America, past president of ArtTable Inc., the national organization for women leaders in the visual arts, and most recently served as a Commissioner of the American Alliance of Museums. She is a trustee of the Delaware Highlands Conservancy.

#### Avery Siler

Avery Siler is the Land Protection Associate for the Delaware Highlands Conservancy. She graduated from the College of William and Mary with a B.A. in Art History, where she was awarded the Alumni Prize for art history. Her undergraduate research focused on American artists with ties to landscape, from the Hudson River School to the Earthworks artists and beyond. As the Land Protection Associate, Avery assists with land transactions and landowner outreach. She is passionate about how art inspires and advances the conservation movement. She loves art and land for the same reason—the sense of connection they provide with the greater world, both human and non-human.

#### - Marie Liu

Marie Liu, a landscape painter, lives in Milford PA. A nine-year member of the ARTery Gallery and the 2015/16 season Resident Artist for the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, her paintings reflect a love of the region's natural rugged beauty; its waterfalls, creeks, woods and the Delaware River. Intrigued by local history, she paints local persons of note such as Gifford Pinchot and Marie Zimmermann, presents a lecture on the Artistic Heritage of the Delaware Valleys Minisink Region, and co-authored a book, "Waterfall Destinations of Pike and Sussex Counties." She received a fine art degree from the Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design in Denver. She worked in the handmade silkscreen wallpaper industry for a decade, then founded and co-owned the Star Gallery in Middletown NY for eleven years. She has organized various juried shows, exhibits and events at both Star and ARTery galleries, Pike County Arts and Crafts and historical societies

The people's choice award will be chosen based on how many "Likes" the photo receives on the Delaware Highlands Conservancy's Facebook page during the voting period from the selection of photos chosen by the judges. All judging decisions are final. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging. Winners will be notified via contact information provided at the time of entry.

#### Winners

One winner and one runner up will be chosen from each category. Four (4) total photos from categories 1, 2, and 3 will be chosen for display and two (2) photos from category 4 will be chosen. In addition, one (1) people's choice photo will be chosen from a group of photos determined by the jurors. 15 winning photos in all will be printed and framed by the contest sponsor and hung in the Artery Fine Art and Fine Craft Gallery in Milford, PA during the month of April 2018. There will be gallery opening event on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from 6pm-9pm free to all. Winners will be given their framed photos after the closing of the exhibit.

#### **Your Rights**

Entrants will retain rights and ownership of photos submitted. By submitting a photo into the eagle photo contest, you grant the Delaware Highlands Conservancy a royalty-free, nonexclusive right to display the photo on our website and social media sites, use the photo in Delaware Highlands Conservancy's internal and external communication materials including but not limited to web sites, web publications, fundraising publications, and newsletters.

The Delaware Highlands Conservancy will provide photo credit whenever photo is used.

#### **General Conditions**

Eagle photo contest is subject to all local, state, and federal laws and regulations. Void where prohibited. Membership to the Delaware Highlands Conservancy will not be considered in any way during the judging of the contest. By submitting your photo, you will automatically be signed up for the Delaware Highlands Conservancy's mailing list and e-communications. You can unsubscribe at any time.

#### **RELEASE AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY**

By entering, you agree to release and hold harmless Sponsor, Facebook, their respective parent, subsidiaries, affiliates, and each of their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents (the "Released Parties") from and against any loss, cost, expense, damage claim or cause of action arising out of participation in the Photo Contest or receipt or use of any prize, including, but not limited to: (a) unauthorized human intervention in the Photo Contest; (b) technical errors; (c) printing errors; (d) late or undelivered mail; (e) errors in the administration of the Photo Contest; or (f) injury or damage to persons or property. You waive the right to claim any attorneys' fees and any damages whatsoever, including, but not limited to, punitive, consequential, direct, or indirect damages.

Questions about the Eagle Photo Contest may be submitted to jason@delawarehighlands.org

# **Acknowledgement of Contest Rules**

By signing and submitting this form, you agree to the above contest rules. Failure to submit this form will render entries ineligible. This form must be postmarked by February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in order for entered photos to eligible for the contest. Minors submitting photos must have parent or guardian sign this form. Completed forms can be mailed to:

Delaware Highlands Conservancy Attn: Photo Contest PO Box 218		
Hawley, PA 18428		
Thank you for submitting your photos and good luck!		
Printed Name	Age if Entrant is a minor	
Signature	Date	
Printed Name of parent or guardian		
Signature of parent or guardian	Date	