



Ozark Greenways, Inc Photo Contest Rules

Term:

Ozark Greenways Photo Contest begins February 22, 2016, and ends March 18, 2016, at 11:59 PM Central Standard Time (CS). By submitting an entry, each photographer agrees to the rules of the contest and states that he or she is 18 years old or older.

Who may enter:

All category prizes are open to all photographers who are 18 years old or older.

Categories:

The following four contest categories are of special interest to Ozark Greenways, Inc:

1. **Seasons:** unique images that capture Ozark Greenways trails in spring, summer, fall, or winter.
2. **Travel:** Locales, peoples or activities on the Ozark Greenways trails that convey a sense of place and getting around in a nonmotorized vehicle.
3. **People:** individuals and/or small groups from all walks of life utilizing the Ozark Greenways trails.
4. **Community:** Local community enrichment and empowerment through volunteering, environmental awareness, and education.

How to enter:

Please submit photographs (limit 3) and entry form through email to mary@ozarkgreenways.org. We do not accept photographs submitted through the mail.

Photographs 2,000 pixels wide are preferred. High-quality scans of non-digital photographs are acceptable. Digital photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible. Photographs must be in a .jpeg or .jpg format. Files submitted may not be larger than 10 MB. The four finalists will be asked to submit a high-resolution file or an original negative, print or slide. Original negatives, prints or slides will be returned to finalists.

For a photo in which a person is recognizable, you must secure a photo release from the subject or, in the case of a minor, the subject's parent or guardian and provide it to the OGI with your photo and photo contest entry form.

Prizes:

Five prizes will be awarded as follows:

Category Winners: The winners of each of the four categories will receive two tickets (\$150 value) to the Ozark Greenways 2016 Fall Dinner to be held on September 22, 2016.

Fan Favorite: The winner of the online Fan Favorite award will receive an additional two tickets (\$150 value) to the Ozark Greenways 2016 Fall Dinner to be held on September 22, 2016.

Judging:

Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, responsiveness to the prompt, and overall impact, except that (l) the Fan Favorite award will be determined based on which of the finalists receives the most votes (likes) via the OG Facebook page.

Judging will be conducted by a selection committee comprised of OGI staff and volunteers. The OGI will select a winner for each category, and a Fan Favorite winner will be selected from among the four finalists based on public voting. Winning photographs will be announced on OGI website and FB page.

The four finalists will be notified of their status by March 31, 2016 and will appear on our website in spring 2016. At that time, the public can vote on our FaceBook Page for one Fan Favorite winner from the four finalists. The Fan Favorite winner will be revealed online in spring 2016.

The OGI will notify the winner via the contact information provided at the time of entry. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

Conditions of Entry

All entrants hold the Sponsors and their respective regents, directors, officers, employees, emeriti, fellows, interns, research associates, and volunteers (the "Indemnified Parties") harmless from and against all claims of any nature arising in connection with entrant's participation in the contest and acceptance or use of a prize. The Indemnified Parties are not liable for any costs, damages, injuries, or other claims incurred as a result of entrants' participation in the contest or winner's acceptance and usage of a prize. The Indemnified Parties are not responsible for incomplete or misdirected entries, technical or network malfunctions or failures, or causes beyond their control. Entrants are solely responsible for their entries. Entrants may not submit materials that introduce any software viruses, worms or other programs designed to damage software, hardware or telecommunications equipment or are off-topic, partisan-political, contain advertising, nudity, personal attacks or expletives, or is otherwise abusive, threatening, unlawful, harassing, discriminatory, libelous, obscene, false, sexually explicit, or that infringes on the rights of any third party.

The OGI reserves the right to cancel the contest or modify these rules at its discretion. In the event of a dispute regarding the winners, the OGI reserves the right to award or not award the prizes in its sole discretion. Decisions of the OGI are final and binding.

You retain your rights to your photograph; however, by entering the contest, you grant the OGI (and those authorized by the OGI) a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any OGI purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion of OGI. Any photograph reproduced will include a photographer credit as feasible. The OGI will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such uses.