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**MOUNTS 2019**  
**PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

## **12th Annual Digital Photography Contest**

**“Give us your best shot!”**

**Entries will be accepted from January 17th to February 20, 2019. Contest Submittals are DUE by 4:00 p.m. on February 20, 2018**

### **WHO MAY ENTER**

The contest is open to Amateur Photographers of any age. For this contest, a professional is defined as anyone who derives income from photography or anyone who has marketed work in the past, who is presently marketing work, or who has copyrighted images with the intent of marketing them. The entry fee is \$10 per photograph, with a maximum of three photographs per individual photographer.

### **CONTEST RULES**

- All photographs submitted must be taken within the boundaries of Mounts Botanical Garden. (except the new environmental category)
- The entrant must take the photo(s) themselves and have all rights to distribution and use.
- Entrants are invited to submit a maximum total of three (3) images in any combination of our categories.
- Photographs must be in digital format; print or film submittals will not be accepted.\*
- Standard optimization techniques such as removal of dust, cropping, minor color and contrast adjustments, saturation, and sharpening are allowed. However, other optimizing techniques such as combinations of images and compositional changes will result in disqualification.

## HOW TO ENTER

- Email entries to [info@mounts.org](mailto:info@mounts.org). Each photo must be titled in this format: Entrant's **Last Name-Photograph Category** (i.e., Jones-People in the Garden)
- Submittals must include the photograph(s) , entry form and proof of payment
- All digital files must be submitted in JPEG format, and all files must be a maximum of 3 megabytes total, with at least 2,000 pixels in the maximum (horizontal or vertical) dimension, and 300 dpi.
- Payment can be made online at <https://www.mounts.org/event/annual-photography-contest-join-click/> or drop off a check to the Mounts office M-F 9am-4pm. Please include a copy of the payment receipt with your entry form. (Note take a screen shot of the online receipt if you do not receive an email confirmation)

All images become the property of Mounts Botanical Garden and will not be returned. Mounts reserves the right to retain photos for display and promotion. Entrant's signature or that of the parent or legal guardian constitutes a release for the Friends of Mounts Botanical Garden organization to use, reproduce, publish, and display the photographs without additional compensation.

The Best In Show photograph and category winners will be featured on the mounts website and in press releases.

## PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST CATEGORIES

1. Plant Life
2. Animal Life
3. People In The Garden\*
4. Scenic/Landscapes
5. Nature Close-Ups
6. Environmental: Trash In Palm Beach County

\*For the People in the Garden category, please obtain a signed release form for all identifiable children

## AWARDS

- One image will be awarded *Best in Show*
- The winning photograph in each category will receive a *Garden Family & Friends* membership for one year and a \$25 - Mounts Gift Certificate
- 2nd Place: \$10 Mounts Certificate
- 3rd Place: \$5 Mounts Certificate
- Winner of the Environmental Category will win a cash prize.

## Annual Photography Contest 2019 Entry Form

This annual digital photography contest allows each entrant the ability to have their work reviewed and critiqued by noted nature photographer Alan Chin Lee. Winners will be announced by Friday, March 1, 2018.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/St/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Entering the contest grants Mounts Botanical Garden the right to use, reproduce, publish, and display the photographs without compensation. The photographer will be given full credit whenever possible. The digital image submissions become the property of Mounts and will not be returned. I understand and agree to the contest rules and conditions and certify that this photograph(s) was produced by me.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Please use one form for each photo submitted, per category. (Up to 3 in any combination) Payment is expected at time of entry online or in person.

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In office use:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date received

\_\_\_\_\_ Payment received