

2018 Pfeiffer Nature Center Photography Contest

Are you ready for some beautiful images? Our photo contest and show last year was so much fun that we are back again this year! Give us a visit at either of our Pfeiffer Nature Center properties, enjoy some beautiful nature, and get your photos ready! This year we have a general category as well as a "Pfeiffer Icons" category. Read on for more details! Our show will take place on September 22nd, 2018.

This contest is open to all ages. For persons under 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must sign the contest agreement form for participation.

Contest Categories:

General - Anything at a Pfeiffer Property

Pfeiffer Icons – Photos that show one of four notable "icons" that represent Pfeiffer (The Cabin, The Overlook, Wendy's Tree, or the Pavilion). "The Overlook" can be any of our three scenic overlooks!

You may photograph any landscape, natural element, structure, or people enjoying nature! Macro mushrooms or sweeping landscapes are equally welcome. Plants, animals, birds, trees, landscapes, etc; if it's in nature at Pfeiffer, it's good! Simply enter your photos according to the categories listed above.

Contest Rules:

- 1) All photographs must be taken at a Pfeiffer Nature Center property by the entrant. Photographs taken elsewhere and by other persons are not eligible.
- 2) Each participant may enter each category up to twice, for a maximum of four (4) entries. Participants may enter as few photographs as they wish.
- 3) In order to be considered for judging, each entry must be printed in a physical format and "ready to hang" at our show in September, 2018. This can be a simple mat with protective sheet, or a fully framed piece. Consider using acrylic in frames; Pfeiffer Nature Center is not responsible for damage to glass. Entries must be delivered to our office by September 20th 2018 at the latest.
- 4) The "ready to hang" size must not be larger than 14" on the longest side, including frame. This is so we have room to hang everyone's work.
- 5) Entries must be submitted all at once either via web form, or to pfeiffernature@gmail.com no later than September 1, 2018. Please limit each file size to less than 2mb. This means if you have more than one entry, wait until you are ready to enter and submit them all together, please. Subject your email with "Photography Contest Entry". If you do not use email, please give our office a call and we can help you out.
- 6) All submissions must be accompanied by your contact information and a signed agreement form. You may fill out the web form, attach the agreement form to your submission email, or print it and send it to our office.
- 7) Photographs may be taken with any equipment and at any skill level. Cell phone snapshots are equally as welcome as those taken with high end equipment.
- 8) Photographs will be judged according to their originality, creativity, focus, composition, and overall theme.
- 9) Both color and black & white photographs are welcome.
- 10) Minimal post processing is allowed, but heavy handed use of filters or editing is not. When in doubt, stick to simple dark room techniques (either digital or traditional).
- 11) Prizes will be awarded: "Best in Show", and first place in each category. Just for fun (no prizes offered) we hope to also have "public's choice" voting at the show, as well as a just for fun Facebook vote.
- 12) Please provide an entry fee of \$5 per photograph entered (up to four, for a maximum of \$20). Pfeiffer Nature Center members get their first photo for free! These donations allow us to continue operating.

2018 Pfeiffer Photo Contest Agreement

I, the undersigned, agree that I have read and abide by all of the rules listed. Further, I agree that I am the sole copyright holder of the submitted images. I understand that this means that the photograph(s) were taken by no one other than myself, and were not borrowed, copied, nor taken from any other source (including but not limited to: the internet, magazines, a friend...). I also agree that if my photograph(s) feature recognizable people, that I have their express permission to share and publish their likeness in my photographs. This includes the legal guardian(s) of minors. Further, I grant Pfeiffer Nature Center permission to display my photographs, with credit lines, both at the photography show in September 2018, as well as online via websites, when used in conjunction with the show (e.g. advertising the show on Facebook / social media and voting via Facebook). Though great care will be taken when handling submissions, I will not hold Pfeiffer Nature Center liable for any damage or loss of any submitted entries.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

(Parent or legal guardian:) _____

Please print legibly:

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Leave blank if you do not have a submission for a given category.

Title of General Submission (1): _____

Title of General Submission (2): _____

Title of Pfeiffer Icons Submission (1): _____

Title of Pfeiffer Icons Submission (2): _____

If mailing or submitting this form in person, please include small printout(s) of your submitted photograph(s).

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