2024 GFWC PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW ALL DIRECTIONS

Photos should first be judged at the Club Level, first place entries in each category are then forwarded for District Level judging and first place District Level award winners will then be forwarded to the State for judging.

A Creative Arts Waiver must accompany all entries forwarded to the State. State level award winners, one in each category, will then be forwarded to GFWC in Washington.

Please bring a stand or easel with your name and club written or pasted on the stand for display at all contests

TELL YOUR STORY WITH PHOTOGRAPHS

The GFWC Photography Contests encourage members' artistic expression and visual storytelling, while recognizing originality, visual impact, and technical skill in photography. GFWC offers two opportunities to participate in the Photography Contests. You don't need an expensive camera to take great pictures. Today's cell phones offer a way to take creative pictures that are contest worthy.

THE WORLD IN PICTURES CONTEST

These photographs showcase the people, places, and things at home and around the world that impact our lives in a meaningful way, as expressed in these three categories:

Our World Up Close—Create a visual that offers a novel viewpoint or a macro image that takes the viewer into a whole new, tiny world. Macro photography creates photos of small items that are larger than life. Some common examples are bugs or parts of flowers.

Natural Wonders—Use wide angles and panoramas, or changeable landscape images, to showcase mountains, meadows, sandhills, rivers, waterfalls, oceans, deserts, or any other magnificent vista.

Reflections—Feature a setting, situation, or landmark that brings back poignant memories, or capture a fleeting image reflected in glass, water, or another mirrored surface.

GFWC LIVING THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT CONTEST

These photographs capture the special moments in the lives of GFWC clubwomen as they meet, plan, advocate, volunteer, or celebrate, in groups or one-on-one.

RULES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS

- Photographs must be the original work of the member submitting the photograph.
- All contest photographers must be dues paying members of an active GFWC club.
- Photographs must be taken between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.
- Contestants must be considered an amateur photographer.

ARTWORK GUIDELINES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS

Judges will look at the overall creativity of subject and quality of the photograph. Photos may be taken using film or with digital cameras and may be color or black/white.

PHOTOGRAPHS FOR STATE JUDGING:

- Photographs may be vertical/portrait or horizontal/landscape.
- Photographs must be the original work of the member submitting the photograph.
- Each photograph must be an 8 X 10-inch print.
- All photographs must be mounted on a rigid 8 X 10-inch board and overall thickness may not exceed 3/8 inch. No mattes, frames, or hangers are to be included.
- Photographs may be taken using film or with digital cameras and may be color or black and white.
- Printed photographs will not be returned.
- Each photograph must have a label affixed to its back with the following information:
 - Contest name: World in Pictures with category or GFWC Living the Volunteer Spirit
 - Photographer's Name, Email Address, Mailing Address, and Phone Number
 - Name and State of the sponsoring club
 - Title and a brief caption giving location, date, and other pertinent information about the photograph
 - Arrow indicating the top of the photograph

CREATIVE ARTS WAIVER

With my signature I declare that:		
I have created the submitted work, entitledfull copyright. The work has not been published be	efore.	, and I own the
With my work, including pictures, tables, or additional media, I do not violate or infringe on the copyright of other persons or entities.		
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I grant the General Federation of Women's Clubs a royalty-free perpetual license to use, reproduce, post, display, create derivative works, sell, license, or sublicense the work in any media now known or later invented without limitation, for commercial or noncommercial purposes.		
I agree that I shall not release the work to any other publication in the same or substantially similar form, without prior written and explicit consent from the General Federation of Women's Clubs.		
This agreement shall become effective and binding on the date of formal acceptance of the work for publication by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.		
Full Name (Print)		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Email		
Phone		
Signature		Date
Parent/Guardian Signature (if submitter is under 18 years of age)		Date