

JOY OF THE LENS 2020

Topsham Public Library 11th Annual Photography Exhibit

Co-sponsored by the Trustees and the Friends of the Topsham Public Library

GUIDELINES

Joy of the Lens exhibit dates: March 30, 2020 through May 2, 2020

***** All works entered must remain on display through Saturday, May 2, at 12:00 noon *****

Photographers may enter up to two (2) works each; \$15 fee per entry.

No more than 70 entries will be accepted for the exhibit.

If over-subscribed, early registrants will receive preference.

Beginning **Saturday, February 22, 2020**, registration forms will be available online at www.friendstopshamlibrary.org/programs/joy-of-the-lens and at the library circulation desk.

The registration deadline is **Saturday, March 21, 2020, at 4:00 PM.**

Completed registration forms may be submitted online, in person at the library, or via email to tplgallery@topshamlibrary.org.

Work must be delivered **Thursday, March 26, 5:30-7:30 PM** or **Friday, March 27, 12:00-3:00 PM**

***** Entry fee(s) and signed Gallery Policy and Waiver are due at drop-off *****

*Checks made payable to **Friends of the Topsham Public Library***

Judging will be blind; photographers' names will be hidden from the judges.

The Photographers' Reception will be Saturday, April 4, 2020, 1:00-3:00 PM

Awards and Honorable Mentions will be made in the following categories at the reception:

Color ~ Black & White ~ Scott's Challenge: Theme of "Impressionist Photography"

The challenge theme was selected by Scott Anderson, winner of the 2019 People's Choice Award

Deadline for *People's Choice Award* voting: **Wednesday, April 29, at 2:00 PM**

Photographer Talk, People's Choice Award and Friends Photo Lottery:

Saturday, May 2, 2020 at 11:00 AM

Pick up work following the Photographer Talk on **May 2, between 12:00 & 3:00 PM**

Rules of Entry:

- Entrants must be current residents of Maine, age 16 or older.
- Entries must be framed or mounted on a rigid surface and have appropriate hardware for hanging safely and securely.
 - **NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS OR CENTER HOOKS!** Eye screw/hooks and D-rings are most suitable.
 - Outside measurement of frame must be no larger than 36" x 36".
 - No glass on work over 20" x 26". (Plexiglas is acceptable.)
 - The following information must be attached to the back of work: (1) name, (2) address, (3) phone, (4) title or work, (5) awards category, and (6) sale price or "NFS".
- Entry fee(s) of \$15 per entry (payable to **Friends of the Topsham Public Library**) and signed TPL *Gallery Policy and Waiver* are due upon delivery of artwork.
- The library cannot broker sales of photographers' work; potential buyers must contact photographers directly. Sale prices will be listed in the catalog, but not posted with the exhibits. Business cards are not permitted in the exhibit.

***** Photographers are encouraged to donate 10% of the proceeds of sales of Joy of the Lens work to the Topsham Public Library. *****

Friends of the Topsham Public Library will prepare a **catalog** for the exhibit that lists photographers' town names.

Photographers may include optional short (**300 words or less**) biographies/photographer's statements and contact information.

For more information, contact the Topsham Public Library
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