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.
  o NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS OR CENTER HOOKS! Eye screw/hooks and D-rings are most suitable.
  o Outside measurement of frame must be no larger than 36” x 36”.
  o No glass on work over 20” x 26”. (Plexiglas is acceptable.)
  o 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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