

# 2023 Texas Rice Festival Photography Contest Rules & Information

## **AGE DIVISIONS**

- ❖ Students 12<sup>th</sup> Grade & Under
- ❖ Adults 18 yrs & older

## **CATEGORIES**

- ❖ Rice
- ❖ Open
- ❖ Family Living
- ❖ Black & White
- ❖ Wildlife & Nature

## **AWARDS**

Cash awards will be given in both Student and Adult Divisions for the **Open, Family Living, Black & White, and Wildlife & Nature** categories.

- ❖ Best of Show – \$50.00 & Rosette
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> Place – \$25.00 & Rosette
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – \$15.00 & Ribbon
- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – \$10.00 & Ribbon
- ❖ Honorable Mention Ribbons will be given at the judge's discretion

**Cash awards will be given in both Student and Adult Divisions for the Rice category.**

- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> Place – \$100.00 & Rosette
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – \$75.00 & Ribbon
- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – \$25.00 & Ribbon

## **JUDGING**

Photos will be judged by qualified photographers. All decisions made by the judges are final.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Amateur photographers only, professional photographers are not allowed to enter. Open to Texas residents of any age.

## **DEADLINE & ENTRY FEES**

Entry fee is \$4.00 per photo or \$10.00 for 3 photos. Contestants can enter an unlimited number of photographs. Entry deadline is **September 27, 2023**.

## **GENERAL RULES**

1. Entries must be an 8 X 10 photograph and should be matted with an 11 X 14 solid color mat. Mats cannot be patterned or cut in any decorative style. **No framed photos**
2. Entries must not be older than one year. Photographs previously entered in the Texas Rice Festival Photography Contest will not be allowed to re-enter.
3. Rice Category: **ANYTHING** pertaining to rice or rice production may be entered.
4. Family Living Category: Should be families living or interacting with each other, **NOT** staged family portraits.
5. Registration forms **MUST** be completed and attached to the back of each photograph with the following information: name, phone number, category, age division and title of photo.
6. Deadline for entry is Wednesday, September 27, 2023. Photographs should be turned in to the Texas Rice Festival office located at 307 East LeBlanc Rd. in Winnie. After September 6, 2023, take entries to the park office behind the stage if someone is not at the main office.
7. Mailed entries should be sent to P.O. Box 147, Winnie, Texas 77665. If mailing by UPS or Fed Ex send to 307 E. LeBlanc Rd., Winnie, Texas 77665.
8. Entries **MUST** be picked up Saturday, October 7, before 6:00 p.m. Any unclaimed entries can be picked up at the Texas Rice Festival Park office the following week. **All Photos not picked up that week will be discarded. TRF will not be responsible for photos not picked up**
9. If entry is to be returned by mail after the festival is over, a correct size stamped envelope should be included at the time of entry.
10. Entry fee must be paid upon submission. Checks, cash, money orders, are accepted. Make checks payable to Texas Rice Festival.

**Photographs will be on display for public viewing in the Community Building located near the South Admissions Gate. On Friday October 6, 2023, from 9am to 6pm and Saturday October 7, 2023 from 9am to 6pm.**

### **PLEASE NOTE**

**In the event of a rain out or natural disaster, entry fees will not be refunded.**

# 2023 Photography Contest Entry Form

Number of Entries: \_\_\_\_\_

Photographer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mailing) (City) (State) (Zip)

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

Age Division: (check one)

\_\_\_\_ Student -12<sup>th</sup> Grade & Under

\_\_\_\_ Adult -18 yrs & Older

Category: (check one)

\_\_\_\_ Rice

\_\_\_\_ Open

\_\_\_\_ Family Living

\_\_\_\_ Black & White

\_\_\_\_ Nature & Wildlife

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fees: \$4.00 per photo or \$10.00 for 3 photos. If you have more than 3 photos, please make a copy of the next page so you will have enough entry forms to attach on back of your photos. For more information call the festival office at (409) 296-4404.

**Complete the registration forms on the following  
page and attach to the back of each entry**

**Photographer's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Photo:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Category:**  Rice  Open  Family Living  Black & White  Nature & Wildlife

**Age Division:**  Student  Adult

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**Photographer's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Photo:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Category:**  Rice  Open  Family Living  Black & White  Nature & Wildlife

**Age Division:**  Student  Adult

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**Photographer's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Photo:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Category:**  Rice  Open  Family Living  Black & White  Nature & Wildlife

**Age Division:**  Student  Adult