

Caloosa Bird Club Photo Contest

2019-20 Photography Contest Rules

Entry Deadline: JANUARY 10, 2020

Judging Meeting Date: MARCH 8, 2020

Awards Ceremony Date: APRIL 5, 2020

General Information

1. All club members and officers are eligible to enter.
2. A maximum of 3 color photos may be entered in each category.
Categories are:

- A. Local... Lee, Collier, Charlotte Counties
- B. Florida
- C. USA ... all 50 states
- D. Worldwide

3. Photos must be of wild birds in natural environments. Photos domestic birds, birds in cages, aviaries, or enclosures of any kind, or wild bird species with clipped wings that confine them are not eligible for submission. Photos must have been taken no earlier than January 1, 2017.

How to enter: ENTRIES DUE BY JANUARY 10, 2020

1. Each entered photo must be labeled with three letters (any three chosen by the photographer...but NOT the photographer's initials), the letter of the category, and the sequential number if more than one photo is submitted in the category.

Example: ACD A 1 would be Joe Smith's first photo entered in the Local category. ACD A 2 would be Joe's second photo entered in the Local category. ACD C 1 would be Joe's first photo in the USA category.

The labels must be listed on the entry form.

2. Each photo must be in jpeg format, resized to no more than 1800 px on the long side (or a total of 600 KB), and labeled with the entry number (Google 'How to add text to a Photoshop photo' for instructions).
3. An entry form, along with entered photographs, must be submitted by each photographer. The form will be available on the club website and can be downloaded, filled in, and turned in at the (date) club meeting or scanned and emailed to Cheryl Black (who will not take part in judging the photos) See Directory for her email. PLEASE write BIRD CLUB in subject line of email.

Judging Category Winners and Best in Show...MARCH 8, 2020 meeting

1. Entries will be judged by all club members at the Photo Contest slide show meeting. Photos will be designated by numbers and letters so that the photographers remain anonymous and the photos are judged on merit only.
2. Club members will score the photos on a scale of 1 through 5 (1 being poor and 5 being excellent) and mark their scores on tally sheets. The tally sheets will be collected and the scores for each photo will be added up. Photos with the three highest scores in each category will receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishes. In case of a tie, the committee described below will determine the placings.
3. A committee of three non-photographer club members selected by the club president will select the Best in Show photo from 1st place winners of all four categories.
4. Winners will be announced at the APRIL 5, 2020 meeting and the winning photos will be posted on the club website.

Questions?

Contact Cheryl... See Club Directory for her email and phone number.