

Capture Oakville 2022

Official Entry Rules for 16th Annual Competition - Step 1 - Electronic Submission Process -

The *Oakville Camera Club* has adopted a streamlined submission process for the *Capture Oakville 2022* Competition which includes a two-(2) step process:

1. Step 1 - Electronic Submission Process
2. Step 2 - *Virtual* | Print Images Submissions Process

By holding a pre-selection screening process, this method is designed to reduce the requirement whereby all Entrants are required to submit a printed image.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Entrants must be residents of the province of Ontario. Anyone entering the *Capture Oakville* Photography Competition under the age of 18, requires a guardian to sign their Entry Form.
2. This competition is open to photographers of all levels.
3. ALL submission must be accompanied by a completed Official Entry Form.

CATEGORIES:

CAPTURE OAKVILLE - THE STREETS OF OAKVILLE

- ▶ It has been another year of much change and challenge as we continue to live through turbulent times under the cloud of a global pandemic, where we have been subject to many social limitations, physical distancing , personal hardships, and general disruption to life as we know it!
- ▶ For Capture Oakville 2022 - The Streets of Oakville, your image should An image that captures and demonstrates the interaction of people and their behaviours in public places within Oakville where you capture a realistic ‘decisive moment.’
- ▶ Though people usually feature directly, street photography might be absent of people and can be of an object or environment within Oakville where the imagery projects a decidedly human character in facsimile or aesthetic.

CAPTURE PEOPLE & PORTRAITS

- ▶ A compelling portrait photograph that captures the moment of contact or interaction, while accentuating the essential characteristics and personality of the human spirit.
- ▶ The human subject should be the central element. Photographs can include, Candid or Posed, Portraiture, Studio, or Photojournalism.

CAPTURE BLACK & WHITE

- ▶ A 'creative' visual image which uses the aesthetic of the black and white medium to best represent the impression of tone, texture or contrast in order to attract, guide and/or polarize the viewers attention.
- ▶ This category is open to any subject matter.

CAPTURE LANDSCAPES

- ▶ A grand expanse of Scenery, Landscape, spectacular natural event, or Environmental vista which conveys the scale, size or proportion of what you are photographing.
- ▶ The image may include methods such as wide-format panoramic field-of-view, High Dynamic Range (HDR) techniques. Human elements are acceptable, as long as they are not the primary subject matter.

Note: Cityscapes are excluded from this category.

CAPTURE NATURE & WILDLIFE

- ▶ Compelling image of natural elements such as wildlife, plants, insects, and close-ups of small natural subjects or textures.*

Notes: Close-up or Macro photographs are welcome in this category.

* Small natural subjects or textures could include parts of animals/plants/insects such as feathers, flower stamens, pollen, leaf vein patterns, compound eyes of insects, etc.

** Hand-of-Man elements are 'discouraged.'

EXPLORATION

- ▶ Open to creative and innovative images that explore new personal directions in the art or science of photography, and result in compelling images with strong visual and/or emotional impact.
- ▶ Any subject matter or technique may be used.
- ▶ Images will be evaluated on their creativity, impact and inventive application of photographic principles and techniques.

LOCATION OF WHERE PHOTO WAS TAKEN:

1. Images entered into the *Capture Oakville - The Streets of Oakville* category must be taken within the geographical confines of the Town of Oakville, Ontario.
2. Images entered into the *Capture People and Portraits, Capture Black and White, Capture Landscapes, Capture Nature & Wildlife, and Exploration* categories may be taken anywhere in the world.

IMAGE ELIGIBILITY:

1. The Photographic image must be the work of the Entrant.
2. The image(s) must have been taken between:
 - 31 March 2021 and 14 March 2022.
3. Images taken outside the specified time period will be automatically disqualified.



HOW TO ENTER:

1. The *Oakville Camera Club* has adopted a two (2) step submission process for the *Capture Oakville 2022* Competition. By holding a pre-selection screening process, only photographers of “selected” images will be notified of their eligibility for a *virtual* | print image submission.
2. Each Entrant may only submit one-(1) image per Competition Category.
3. A maximum of six-(6) images may be entered into the Competition per Entrant.
4. Images MUST NOT have been entered in a previous or other photography Competition, this includes other public competitions, such as other camera Club events, or any OCC supported programs such as ***Exploration*** series, or OCC competitions such as ***Photo Challenges***.
 - In order for the pre-selection judging to remain objective, fair, and unbiased, the invited OCC CAPA* trained Judges must be impartial - those judging or curating the Photographic Competition evaluate the images as having met the competition criteria, and apply a point-scoring method without prejudice - the OCC Judges therefore must not have previously seen, judged, or be in a position to attribute the entry to any given photographer.
 - Any entry found to have been entered into any other competition will be automatically disqualified.

* CAPA - *Canadian Association of Photographic Art*

Step 1 - Electronic Submission

1. All entries must be submitted in an electronic format for pre-judging.
2. The photograph submitted must be in a high resolution digital JPEG format
 - where the image is for a Competition Category typically not compatible with a standard digital format (i.e., film image), allowances for acceptable images include those that are scanned into the allowable format.
3. File Size must be greater than **250 KByte** and less than **60 MegaByte** - as the digital version will be viewed on a high quality 'colour-calibrated' monitor, and screened based on the submitted quality, the Entrant should ensure the highest quality image is provided.
4. Image files must be sent as a file attachment using the **Capture Oakville Entry** interface which can be found at www.captureoakville.com.
5. The image will be viewed and screened electronically, therefore all images must be processed in the proper orientation for viewing.
6. Files are to be named according to the camera club naming convention, as follows:
 - Title of Image + Name of Photographer.jpg** using the following format: (i.e., *Rideau_Canal-JohnSmith.jpg*);
 - **DO NOT USE spaces** or any **special characters** in the file name
 - i.e., ([{!@#\$\$%^&*<>,|}])
 - **dashes** - and **underscores** _ are acceptable,
 - So as not to influence the judging process, the Image Title will not be used, and will not be shown prior to, or during judging.
7. The Capture Oakville Entry must include:
 - The photographers (entrants) name;
 - Contact phone number;
 - File name of each image entered;
 - Name of the Category that each image is entered into;
 - Completed Official Competition Entry Form (using electronic pdf fillable Entry Form); and,
 - Full payment made through *PayPal*.
8. Entries must be submitted by the specified due date of:

Electronic Image Submission Deadline:
Monday, 14 Mar 2022
9. Questions regarding your entry may be directed via e-mail to capture@oakvillecameraclub.com.

Step 2 - Printed Submission for Competition and Exhibition

1. Once pre-judging screening process is complete, the Entrants will be notified if the images have been selected for the Print phase of the Competition.
2. The photographer must provide the printed image(s) for adjudication by the panel of professional judges. Following the judging, each image will be framed for display purposes and presentation at the Capture Oakville Photography Exhibition.
3. Print Image submission details and specifications will be provided along with the notification of Entrant selection.

For more information on Step 2 - Virtual | Print Submission Process will be available after the submission deadline.

ENTRY FEES AND PAYMENT:

- \$20 for the first image for members of the Oakville Camera Club;
- \$25 for the first image for Non-members.
- Entry Fee for each additional image is \$10 per image.

Mandatory PayPal payment must be made when completing the **Capture Oakville Entry**.