

FRIENDS OF THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES OF RHODE ISLAND

Amateur Photo Competition and Show

The Friends of the National Wildlife Refuges of RI are proud of our beautiful national wildlife refuges. With so much to photograph, from wildlife to landscapes, we encourage amateur photographers to enter their favorite color refuge photos. You may take new photos or enter existing ones, in this, our 21st annual competition.

CATEGORIES: I: Refuge wildlife III: Refuge wildlife habitat/landscape
II: Refuge flora IV: Photos by Children 14 and under - any subject on a refuge

FORMAT/RESTRICTIONS: The color photo must be 8" x 10" and **NOT MATTED**. There must **NOT** be any writing on the front of the photo. Each contestant is limited to 4 entries. Photos must be taken on one of the five National Wildlife Refuges of RI, by an amateur photographer. **Photos of mute swans will not be accepted.** For your information, all photos will be matted by the Friends in black 11" x 14" mats.

FEES: \$10 per photo entry fee. Checks payable to Friends of NWR-RI. Questions, e-mail RThieke@cox.net.

DEADLINE: Photos must be received by **September 8, 2021**. Photos, with the entry fee, may be send to Friends of the NWR-RI, 50 Bend Rd, Charlestown, RI 02813. If the visitor centers at Kettle Pond, Charlestown, and Sachuest Point, Middletown, are open later in the summer, photos can then be delivered there along with the entry fee.

EXHIBIT: The photos will be judged and a first, second and third place winners will be chosen from each category. The Best of Show will be awarded \$100. If the visitor centers are opened by September, all entries will be displayed at Kettle Pond, Charlestown and then at Sachuest Point, Middletown but that exhibit and the possibility of an opening reception will be determined at a later date. If there is not an opening reception, prize winners will be notified by phone or e-mail and prizes mailed.

Photos may be donated to the Friends or returned. If the visitor centers are open, returns may be picked up between October 18 and 30th at either Kettle Pond or Sachuest Point Visitors Desks or provide a self-addressed stamped envelope and they will be mailed. All photos not picked up by October 30th become the property of the Friends of NWR-RI. Winning photos may be reproduced/displayed by Friends. Donated photos may be used in ways decided by the Friends.

LIABILITY: Friends of the NWR-RI will not insure the entries received, or, be responsible for any loss or damage.

REGISTRATION: Information required to be affixed to the **BACK** of each photograph is shown below.

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____

EMAIL: _____
PHONE _____
REFUGE _____
DATE (Approximate) _____
CATEGORY _____

PHOTO TITLE _____
Do You Wish Photo Back? ___(yes) ___(no)

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