



# Tucson Parks and Recreation Cover Photo Contest

The Tucson Parks and Recreation department would like to invite all photographers, both amateur and professional, to share your best original photos taken at any Tucson city park or recreation facility, event, sport, program, or class.

Submit up to two of your favorite Parks and Recreation photos by Friday, September 16, 2016.

## Deadlines

**September 19, 2016** - photo submissions due by 5 p.m.

**September 28, 2016** - finalists selected and notified

**September 30, 2016** - finalists put to public vote on Facebook

**October 7, 2016** - finalist with the most "likes" by 3 p.m. wins!

**November 14, 2016** - Activity Guide is released

## Rules

1. Eligibility -The contest is open to all participants of any age.
2. Deadline - Submissions must be received by the Tucson Parks and Recreation office, 900 S. Randolph Way, Tucson, AZ 85716 by 5 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 to be considered.
3. Photographer's Rights - Photographer retains all rights to any photographs submitted - including ownership if applicable - other than those rights licensed in the next sentence. By entering the contest, the photographer hereby grants the Tucson Parks and Recreation department:
  - (i) a nonexclusive, worldwide, irrevocable, royalty-free license to reproduce, distribute, use in publications and associated trade magazines, publicly display the photographs you submit to the Tucson Parks and Recreation department and
  - (ii) the right to use your name, city, state and country of residence in promotions and other publications.
4. Photographer's Responsibility - If you choose to include close-up shots of people in your submission, you are responsible for obtaining the necessary releases from the individuals depicted, and must be able to provide copies of those releases to the Parks and Recreation department upon request. (Standard model release forms can easily be found on the Internet.)

## 5. Photo Criteria:

- All photographs must have been taken within the past two years at a Tucson Parks and Recreation facility, event, sport, program, or class to be considered.
- Photos should accurately reflect the subject matter and scene as it appeared. Photos should not be digitally altered beyond standard optimization (removal of dust, cropping, reasonable adjustments to exposure, color and contrast, etc.).
- Multiple exposures that have been combined to produce a single "high dynamic range" image are acceptable.
- Submissions must be high-resolution (at a minimum of 300 dpi) and at least 8.5 inches wide by 11 inches tall. Consider how the Parks and Recreation logo will fit over your photo.
- Images that do not meet these requirements may or may not be judged at the judging panel's sole discretion.

## 6. How to Submit:

Digital photos in .jpeg format must be e-mailed to [sierra.davenport@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:sierra.davenport@tucsonaz.gov) or submitted on a CD labeled with the photographer's name to 900 S. Randolph Way, Tucson, AZ 85716 by 5 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 to be considered.

- A maximum of two photographs per photographer may be submitted.
- Photographers are to complete and sign an entry form and photography release to be submitted along with their entries.
- On the entry form, photos should be listed with the following information:

Location - identify the park, recreation facility, or other location where photo was taken.

Date - date the photo was taken. No photographs older than two years, please.

Description - name of event, sport, program, or class, if applicable.

Caption - please caption your photo to be used on the inside cover and for judging.

Tips for a great submission:

- Submit a photo of what parks and recreation means to you with an interesting and compelling story behind it – maybe of a unique program or community park. A great photo should tell a great story. You can share this story in the comments section of your photo upload.
- Submit a photo that includes people in it.
- Consider how the Tucson Parks and Recreation logo will fit over your photo. Check out this [template](#) for specs. Keep in mind this issue will run from November - April and include all winter and spring activities.

7. Judging - The judges appointed by the Tucson Parks and Recreation Department shall determine winner eligibility in its sole and absolute discretion. All decisions made by the judges are final. Images selected for use will be judged on uniqueness and appropriateness. Not all images submitted will be put to a vote on Facebook.

Photograph entries will be judged on the following criteria:

- o Overall impact
- o Originality/creativity
- o Technical excellence
- o Artistic merit
- o Relevance to Parks and Recreation Spring Activity Guide

8. Legal Conditions - By entering, participants agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Tucson, its respective subsidiaries, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, attorneys, agents and representatives, from any all third party liability for any injuries, loss, claim, action, demand or damage of any kind arising from or in connection with the competition (collectively,"Losses"), including without limitation any third party claim for copyright infringement or a violation of an individual's right to privacy and/or publicity right.

9. Other - By submitting images, you are confirming that you have all legal rights to the image, consent of those pictured in the image and understand that submitted images may be used by Tucson Parks and Recreation in printed materials, websites and on social media. Tucson Parks and Recreation offers no compensation for any images or videos. Tucson Parks and Recreation department is not responsible for lost entries.

Tucson Parks and Recreation reserves the right to adjust any deadline(s) as the result of causes beyond its immediate control. Due to editorial changes, Tucson Parks and Recreation reserves the right to change the topic of the Spring 2017 cover photo and not use a submitted image as the cover.

# Tucson Parks and Recreation Cover Photo Contest Photography Release

Release by Photographer

I do hereby make the following statements, release, assignment and assurances to the Tucson Parks and Recreation Department:

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ ("Photographer") have read, agree to, and have abided by the rules of the Tucson Parks and Recreation Department's Cover Photography Contest.

I certify that I am the person who took the photograph(s) submitted here, and I have not assigned any of my rights associated with the photograph(s) to any third party and have solo, complete and unrestricted authority to enter into this release and to grant the rights described in the release.

As the photographer, I retain all rights to any photograph(s) submitted- including ownership if applicable-other than those rights licensed in the next sentence. The photographer hereby grants Tucson Parks and Recreation:

(i) a nonexclusive, worldwide, irrevocable, royalty-free license to reproduce, distribute, use in publications and associated trade magazines, publicly display and publicly perform the photographs you submit to the Tucson Parks and Recreation, and

(ii) The right to use my name, city, state and country of residence in promotions and other publications.

I release the Tucson Parks and Recreation department from any liability whatsoever that arises from their use of the photograph(s), except for the uses that violate the terms of this release.

Photographer's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Photographer's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Tucson Parks and Recreation Cover Photo Contest Entry Form

Photographers Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Caption: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Description: \_\_\_\_\_

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This entry form and photography release must be submitted with digital copies of photographs being entered in the contest by 5 p.m. Monday, September 19, 2016 by:

Email: [Sierra.Davenport@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:Sierra.Davenport@tucsonaz.gov)

OR

Mail to:

Attention: Sierra Davenport  
Tucson Parks and Recreation  
900 S. Randolph Way  
Tucson, AZ 85716

Postmarked by 5 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 to be considered.