Florida’s Natural Beauty
Juried Photo Exhibition 2021

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Event

*Florida’s Natural Beauty ~ Juried Photo Exhibition 2021* is an annual photography exhibition presented by Audubon of Martin County and hosted by HSMC and the Elliott Museum. Audubon of Martin County believes that when we advocate on behalf of birds, wildlife and the environment, we promote a healthier, more sustainable, and more inclusive human community. Sharing a passion for Florida’s natural heritage is essential for its future.

For more information, please visit [https://www.audubonofmartincounty.org/](https://www.audubonofmartincounty.org/)

Eligibility

All amateur and professional photographers residing in the U.S. may enter. Please read all rules and regulations before registering to enter.

Important Dates

**September 1 – November 30, 2021** Online digital submissions at [www.onlinejuriedshows.com](http://www.onlinejuriedshows.com).

**December 8, 2021** Notifications of acceptance will be available online at [www.onlinejuriedshows.com](http://www.onlinejuriedshows.com).

**January 4, 2022** Last day to receive juror-approved photos from FedEx, UPS or USPS at:

Audubon of Martin County  
4096 SW Bimini Circle S  
Palm City, FL 34990  
Phone: 772-485-8129
January 5, 2022 Local drop-off of all juror-approved photos between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm ONLY to:

Audubon of Martin County
621 SE Palm Beach Road
Stuart, FL 34994
Phone: 772-288-2637

January 10, 2022 Audubon of Martin County will transport all juror-approved photos to the Elliott Museum between 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

January 13, 2022 Opening Reception, Awards Ceremony and Open Exhibit from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Elliott Museum, 825 NE Ocean Boulevard, Stuart, FL 34996.

The Photo Exhibit will also be open to the public from January 13, 2022 through February 28, 2022 during Museum hours.

March 2, 2022 All photographs must be picked up from Audubon of Martin County between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm ONLY at:

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Awards

Best in Show: $300.00

1st Place in Each Category: $200.00

2nd Place in Each Category: $100.00

3rd Place in Each Category: $50.00

Honorable Mention awards may also be awarded at the discretion of the judges.

Categories

All Categories Subject to Digital Submission Guidelines

Birds: This category includes any and all birds native to Florida, along with migratory birds that call Florida home during our winter months. The bird is to be the primary subject of the photograph and cannot be in captivity of any sort.
**Wildlife:** This category includes any and all wildlife native to Florida. The animal is to be the primary subject of the photograph and cannot be in captivity of any sort.

**Flora/Landscape:** This category includes native Florida plants, landscapes and habitats in and around the state of Florida. Images may include state parks, sunrise and sunset, seascapes, farms and gardens that are native to Florida.

**Drone Photography:** This category includes landscapes and vistas within Florida. Images may include state parks, sunrise and sunset, seascapes, farms and gardens in Florida.

**Cell Phone Photography:** This category is open to all cell phone camera users who fall within one of the categories listed above. All photos must be within Florida and follow the category guidelines.

**Young Nature Photographers:** For nature photographers aged 13 – 17 who fall within one of the categories listed above. All photos must be within Florida and follow the category guidelines.

**Photographs will be denied** if wildlife is not native to Florida or is in captivity of any sort, non-native Florida plants, and/or locales outside of the state of Florida. In addition, photographs will be denied if the judges deem that a camera trap was used. Photographers must be present in the field and working to capture live action.

Any entry which, in the eyes of the jurying panel, appears to be an animal in captivity, drastically altered (not believable) or contains “removed, added or manipulated elements” will be disqualified.

There will be no exceptions for deadlines, specifications or rules, and there will be no refunds once fees are paid.

All decisions of the jurying panel and Audubon of Martin County are final.

**How to Enter**

**Starting September 1, 2021, you may upload your images to:** [www.onlinejuriedshows.com](http://www.onlinejuriedshows.com). On their home page, look for *Florida’s Natural Beauty ~ Juried Photo Exhibition 2021 presented by Audubon of Martin County*. Click on “Enter this Show” and follow the instructions. Be advised, you will need to sign up for a free account prior to uploading your images. All payments need to be made by the cut-off date/time to avoid deletion. Submission deadline is at Midnight PDT November 30, 2021.

Each photographer may submit (via digital upload) **up to seven (7) photographs in each category** to the jurying panel for review and scoring.
A non-refundable entry fee of $20 (for Audubon of Martin County Members in good standing through the duration of the show) and $25 (for non-members) will be charged for each uploaded photograph.

**Digital file criteria:** JPEG format, sRGB color space, 1920 pixels on the long side (horizontal or vertical) at 72ppi – not to exceed 4MB. Use your own file naming structure.

Color, B&W or monotone images are acceptable.

If the photo contains a recognizable person, especially children, a model release must be made available. Pornographic material of any sort will be deemed inappropriate subject matter and will not be accepted.

**Each image entered may be submitted in only one category.**

All entries must be 100% photographic in origin and the entrant’s original conception and execution.

**Post-production editing is limited to global contrast and exposure adjustments. The end result must be subtle and believable.**

Non-photographic presets and actions, or any other post-production techniques that enhance the natural appearance of an image, add, remove or warp elements are not permitted.

Non-photographic elements such as text, patterns, digital frames, motifs, objects, etc. are not permitted.

You may **not** combine multiple images to make a final photograph. All composites, montages, stitched panoramas, HDR, and images that contain manipulated elements are not permitted.

**Any entry which, in the eyes of the jurying panel, appears to be wildlife not native to Florida or is in captivity of any sort, non-native Florida plants or locales outside of Florida, drastically altered (not believable) or contains “removed, added or manipulated elements” will be disqualified. Camera trap photography is strictly forbidden as well.**

There will be no exceptions for deadlines, specifications or rules. Entry fees will not be refunded if your photograph is denied for any reason.

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Jurying Process

A panel of independent judges, all of whom will be experts in their fields and photography, will review, score and select initial qualifiers in each category eligible for awards. Additionally, three independent judges who are experts in their fields and photography, will select the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each category, along with honorable mentions. If your photo is juror-approved, it will be displayed for the Awards Ceremony and Open Exhibit to be held at the Elliott Museum in Stuart, FL (details for display qualifications are located below).

All judging will be done on a blind basis without names of participants present.

Notifications of acceptance will be available online at www.onlinejuriedshows.com in your personal account on December 8, 2021.

Accepted Entry Print Criteria

With exception to size, your final print must be an unmodified version of the juried digital submission.

Images printed on the following substrates are acceptable: Any quality photo, metallic or fine art paper. Canvas, aluminum, wood and acrylic are also acceptable.

Professional presentation is a must! Use industry accepted matting and framing techniques. It is understood that some nontraditional substrates, i.e., aluminum, wood, acrylic and gallery wrap canvas may be displayed without the addition of a finished frame assembly (matte, glass & frame). Non-gallery wrap canvas work requires a finished frame.

The minimum photo print size is 8” on the short side. Finished work must not exceed 20”x24” in height or width including frame size (glass/Plexiglas dimensions).

All entries must be wired for hanging using picture hanging wire. No saw tooth hangers are permitted.

Submitted juror-approved work that does not meet the above requirements will not be accepted – no exceptions.

Please affix an identification label to the rear top left corner of the finished juror-approved photograph. The visible label must include: Name, Address, Phone Number, Email Address, Title, and Valued Price (for insurance purposes), along with age of contestant if between the ages of 13-17. NOTE: photographs will not be for sale during the Exhibit at the Elliott Museum.

IMPORTANT: The same information as contained on each label must be submitted by email to Sonia Sousa, Audubon of Martin County Board Member, to soniasousa7@gmail.com
Submitted work that does not meet the above requirements will not be accepted – no exceptions.

REMINDER:
January 4, 2022: Deadline for arrival of all shipped juror-approved photos.
January 5, 2022: Deadline for local juror-approved photo drop-off between 9 am to 3 pm.

All juror-approved images must remain on display for the duration of the exhibit at the Elliott Museum January 13 – February 28, 2022.

Liability

Audubon of Martin County, HSMC, and the Elliott Museum will exercise the best possible care in the handling of your submissions. But, neither the Audubon of Martin County, HSMC, or the Elliott Museum will be responsible for loss or damage of your submission due to fire, theft, vandalism, or any other cause. Entries submitted constitute agreement to the conditions set forth in this prospectus.

Shipping Requirements

If you live outside the Treasure Coast (Florida) area, shipping of juror-approved accepted work is permissible. Shipping requirements are as follows: Photographers are responsible for all shipping arrangements and expenses. Round trip shipping expenses must be prepaid and a return shipping label provided. Any entries sent collect will not be accepted. All artwork must be packed in a reusable USPS, UPS or FEDEX approved container and all packing material must be sufficient for safe repacking and return (no plastic peanuts or shredded paper). Crates/boxes must be clearly and properly labeled for return shipment. Your shipment must arrive by January 4, 2022, weekdays only, at the following address:

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4096 SW Bimini Circle S
Palm City, FL 34990
Phone: 772-485-8129

Photo Rights

Artist maintains copyright with Audubon of Martin County limited use. The photographer grants the Audubon of Martin County, HSMC and the Elliott Museum permission to photograph the entries for archival purposes, publicity, website, or for promotional publications.

Contact

Please forward any questions you might have to Sonia Sousa, Audubon of Martin County Board Member, by email to soniasousa7@gmail.com.