



PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST INFORMATION

The Big Weekend: Bird 'n Butterfly-a-thon 2013 Photography Contest is open to anyone interested in sharing their artistic perspective on Cobb County birds and butterflies observed during the weekend of September 21nd and 22rd, 2013. Prizes will be awarded to the photographs that best represent these subjects in both adult and child categories. The winning images may be utilized on the web site, brochures, or other relevant publications by the Friends of Price Park (FOPP).

How to Submit a Photo: Photographs must be in digital format. Up to 3 photos may be submitted per person. Entries must be original, un-retouched digital images in .jpg. Upload your photos to the photo sharing site Flickr and send the link to angeliabeth+fopp@gmail.com

Photo Manipulation Policies: Please do not digitally enhance or alter submitted photographs beyond the basic post processing needed to achieve realistic color balance and sharpness. Photographers are free to use color or black & white photography. Please try to keep the image as real and natural looking as possible and do not utilize software to remove items from the photograph or to merge multiple photos into one panoramic setting. Overly manipulated photos will be disqualified.

Deadline: All entries for this year's contest must be received by 5:00 PM on Friday September 27, 2013. The winners of the prizes will be notified by the Friends of Price Park.

Rules, Terms, and Conditions:

- The Contest is open to all and participation is free of charge.
- Photos must be taken within Cobb County, Georgia between September 21 and September 22, 2013. All photos submitted must be date and time stamped, so **please remember to set the correct date and time on your camera or phone prior to the event.**
- Participants may submit up to 3 total photographs. Entries must be original, un-retouched digital images in .jpg format.
- FOPP has the right to utilize all submitted photographs on its website, Facebook, brochure, and flier products.

- Contest winners will be determined by a panel of volunteer judges with nature photography experience. Images will be judged to the extent to which they meet the theme of the contest and show a unique perspective on the subject. Specifically, judges will evaluate photos for creativity, photographic quality and the genuineness and/or authenticity of the content. Winners will be chosen and notified by email or phone call. Decisions of the judges are final and binding.
- PHOTOGRAPHIC CATEGORIES: Photography Contest Categories include:
 - Best Butterfly & Bird Photo (adult)
 - Best Butterfly & Bird Photo (Children Under 10)
- One winner will be awarded a prize in each category.
- The names of contest winners may be published on the Friends of Price Park website or Facebook page
- Participants agree to the publishing of the photos submitted in FOPP publications.
- Please do not capture, harass, harm, kill, or stun animals for the purpose of the Contest.
- Each photograph submitted must have the following information*:
 - Photographer's name
 - Age (if under 10)
 - Email address and/or telephone number
 - Mailing address to deliver prize
 - Title of the photograph, including species of bird or butterfly, if known
 - Location where the photo was taken, such as "Price Park front gate".
 - Date, time and location of photograph
 - Any other information you think is important

*All contact information will be used only for the purpose of the Photography Contest and will not be shared with other parties.

Good luck and have a great time collecting photographs of Cobb County birds and butterflies! We appreciate your involvement in the Contest.