

## Entry Rules

1. The contest is open to any amateur photographer except employees of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and members of their immediate families. An amateur is defined as someone who does not earn most of his/her living from photography.
2. Photos must have been taken within the past two years and previously published images are not eligible.
3. All photos must have been taken in Alabama.
4. Eligible format is high quality digital images only; JPEG or TIFF files. Set your camera to take the highest quality photo it can take. **Digital entries MUST be submitted on a CD-ROM accompanied by a data entry sheet and an 8x10 print of each photo.**
5. Photographers may enter up to 10 photos each.
6. Entry must be labeled on the reverse side of print with name and address of photographer and file name to correspond with data sheet entry description.
7. All photos can be described on a single data sheet; you may create your own data sheet or use the one in this brochure.

## Categories

**Student Snapshots** - Two divisions: Youth ages 6-12 and 13-18 can enter any of the following categories. All entry rules apply. Please indicate age on data sheet if entering this category.

**State Parks** - Recreational activities, park facilities, scenery, events held at any of Alabama's State Parks operated by the Alabama Department of Conservation. Location must be indicated on data sheet. Eligible parks found at [www.alapark.com](http://www.alapark.com).

**Birds** - Native song birds, game birds and raptors.

**Mammals** - Native mammals (pets and livestock excluded).

**Reptiles & Amphibians** - Native turtles, salamanders, frogs, snakes, etc.

**Other Native Wildlife** - May include butterflies, insects, etc.

**Scenic/Pictorial** - Photos in which natural landmarks, scenery or inanimate objects are prominent; site location required for this category.

**Nature-Based Activities** - people enjoying recreation such as boating, fishing, hiking, hunting, camping (sports such as baseball and football are excluded).

**Wild Flora** - wildflowers, foliage, fruiting bodies, other parts of plants or trees (cultivated flowers, shrubs, etc. are excluded).

Judges will make selections based on quality, composition, content, originality, uniqueness, creativity, and general appeal.

First, second, third and honorable mention photos will be published in the February 2010 issue of *Outdoor Alabama* magazine and at [outdooralabama.com](http://outdooralabama.com).

The judges reserve the right to decide whether a category contains work that merits awards.

## Prizes

In addition to having their winning entries printed in *Outdoor Alabama* magazine and the Web site, prizes will be awarded to the winners in each category.

Certificates will be also be awarded to first, second and third places as well as honorable mentions.

## Submissions

By submitting an entry, photographers grant permission to the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to use the photo in any way it deems appropriate. However, the photographer also retains the right to use the photo.

No photos will be returned.

## Deadline

Entries must be postmarked by October 31, 2009. Entries postmarked after that date will be held for the 2011 contest.

Send all entries to:

**Photo Contest  
Outdoor Alabama  
64 N. Union St., Suite 106  
Montgomery, AL 36130**

For questions call Kim Nix at 1-800-262-3151 or email: [kim.nix@dcnr.alabama.gov](mailto:kim.nix@dcnr.alabama.gov)

To see previous contest winners visit  
**[www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com)**  
and click on the Photo Gallery link.

## Outdoor Alabama Photo Contest Entry Form

Each photographer may submit up to 10 images.  
Fill out contact information on this side and list photographs on the reverse.

Photographer \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the photos I enter in this contest will not be returned and may be used in publications and/or the web site of the Ala. Dept. of Conservation or other organization designated by the Department.

Photographer's signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Data Entry Sheet

- ▶ List the digital file name in the Entry # column.
- ▶ You may also create your own data entry sheet.
- ▶ No more than 10 entries per photographer.
- ▶ Entries may be split among categories or all in one category.

Entry #	Category	Subject/Location	Date Taken	Camera Type	Student Age*
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

\*If applicable

### Photo Submission Checklist

- Fill out data entry sheet for up to 10 photo submissions.  Include an 8X10 print of each photo.
- Label the back of each photo with your name and address.  Include a CD-ROM with images.
- Label the CD with your name and address.  Sign and enclose entry form.

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- ▶ Birds
- ▶ Mammals
- ▶ Other Wildlife
- ▶ Reptiles & Amphibians
- ▶ Scenic/Pictorial
- ▶ Nature-Based Activities
- ▶ Wild Flora
- ▶ State Parks
- ▶ Student Snapshots

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