

Announcement

5th Annual OLE' Photography SIG Photo Contest

20 August 2023

For the entire month of December 2023, Jitters in Eagle River is featuring the winning entries from OUR upcoming 5th Annual Photo Contest. The exhibit will be comprised of approximately 32 images.

The contest is **open to ALL OLE' members**. Entries will be posted on <https://qfam.org/OlePhotoSIG/PhotoContest/index.htm>. Ole Photography SIG members will vote on the submitted images to determine which will be selected for the show at Jitters in December and will vote again to determine the best three images in each category.

Contest Rules and Overview:

- A. Each Ole' member may submit a maximum of 3 entries per category for a total of 12 images.
- B. There are no time restrictions for when or where the photos were taken. Images do not have to be taken in Alaska.
- C. All submitted images, and the components thereof, must be the original work of the submitting photographer. AI generated images are strongly discouraged, acknowledging that the use of AI assisted tools while editing an original image is generally acceptable.
- D. Entry Cost: free
- E. Non-winning images from prior non-OLE' competitions are permitted.
- F. The 4 categories for photo submissions are as follows:
 1. Lines and Curves
 2. Images of People
 3. Alaskan Stories
 4. Open

Contest Schedule:

The competition will be managed through a website at qfam.org/OlePhotoSIG/PhotoContest

Today through October 14 – Select your best images, or take new images, for each category.

Today through October 14 (midnight) – submit images electronically for judging. File names should include the name of the photographer. The links for image submittal are found on the above website. Note that the Photography SIG steering committee reserves the right to not accept images deemed by the committee to be in poor taste and/or objectionable to a general audience.

October 16-28 (Round 1 Membership Voting) – View the images at the above link. Voting will be done by email as explained on the above website.

October 30 – Results of Round 1 voting are announced, and finalists notified. The show will consist of approximately 32 images. The Steering Committee will decide the cutoff in each category with an eye towards balance in the categories.

November - Selected photos need to be printed and framed by the photographers whose images are chosen for the show.

Opening of the Exhibit:

- A. Thursday, November 30, 2023 – 4 PM – Hang Exhibit at Jitters – volunteers needed.
- B. December 1 – Exhibit Opens
- C. Round 2 Final Voting: This round of Photo SIG membership voting determines the best 3 images in each category and occurs while the exhibit is on display. Voting will close at midnight on December 23rd. See the above-referenced website for details.

Photo Editing Assistance:

Feel free to drop in on the Photo Chat Monday-Wednesday-Friday at 10am if you would like help with editing your photos prior to contest submission or prior to printing for exhibition. See qfam.org/PhotoChat for a link to the Photo Chat.

Framing Workshop - November:

If there is enough interest, Gary Steinfort will offer a framing workshop to assist members in getting their photos ready to be hung in the Jitters exhibit.