



Give Us Your Best Shot!

Amateur Photo Contest Rules & Entry Form

Calling all Youth, Teen, and Adult Amateur Photographers!

Help us celebrate National Recreation and Park Month! As you enjoy your Cary Park District parks, facilities, and recreation programs, capture these moments on your camera! Vote for your favorite photos submitted by your friends and neighbors!

Photos must be taken at a Cary Park District park or facility or during a Cary Park District recreational program or special event.

All photos will be displayed during the month of July at the Community Center and on carypark.com to commemorate National Park and Recreation Month. People's Choice Award voting will take place online and at the Community Center.

To Submit Photos Electronically

To submit your photos by e-mail, please download and complete an official '2017 Amateur Photo Contest Entry Form' available on our website, carypark.com and at the Community Center, 255 Briargate Road, Cary.

Complete the form and email it with your pictures to Katie Hughes, Director of Communications & Marketing at khughes@carypark.com. You will receive a confirmation by email within two days that we have received your submission. If you do not receive confirmation within this time frame, please contact Katie at 847-639-6100 x 116. Confirmation of receipt does not mean acceptance into the contest. Your photo and entry form will be reviewed to ensure all guidelines have been met. If all guidelines have been met and your entry form(s) and supporting materials are complete, your entry(ies) will be accepted into the contest. **All entries are due by 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19. Entries received after 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19 will not be entered into the contest.**

To Submit Photos in Person at the Community Center

To submit your photos by in person at the Community Center, please download and complete an official '2017 Amateur Photo Contest Entry Form' available on our website, carypark.com and at the Community Center, 255 Briargate Road, Cary.

Complete the form and return it with either your photo on a CD-ROM or two (2) prints of each photo sized as 4 x 6 inches to the Cary Park District Community Center, Attn: Katie Hughes, 255 Briargate Road, Cary, IL 60013. You will receive a confirmation by email within two days that we have received your submission. If you do not receive confirmation within this time frame, please contact Katie at 847-639-6100 x 116. Confirmation of receipt does not mean acceptance into the contest. Your photo and entry form will be reviewed to ensure all guidelines have been met. If all guidelines have been met and your entry form(s) and supporting materials are complete, your entry(ies) will be accepted into the contest. Printed photos and/or CD-ROMs will not be returned.

The Community Center is open Monday - Thursday, 5:30 am - 10:00 pm; Friday, 5:30 am - 8:00 pm; Saturday - Sunday 7:00 am - 6:00 pm. **All entries are due by 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19 (the Community Center closes at 10:00 pm). Entries received after 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19 will not be entered into the contest.**

Please read and follow the Amateur Photo Contest Rules listed on the next page. Entries are due by 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19.

Email submission (photo & entry form) to khughes@carypark.com or drop it off (photo & entry form) at the Community Center. The Community Center is open Monday - Thursday, 5:30 am - 10:00 pm; Friday, 5:30 am - 8:00 pm; Saturday - Sunday, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm.

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2017 Amateur Photo Contest Guidelines



Please be sure to review and follow the contest guidelines to avoid disqualification from the contest.

Photos must be taken at a Cary Park District park or facility or during a Cary Park District program or special event. Occasionally the Cary Park District holds programs or events at other locations that are not Cary Park District properties. Photos at these locations are accepted as long as the photo is taken during the Cary Park District program or event and it must be indicated on the form. For a listing of Cary Park District parks and facilities please visit our website carypark.com or our seasonal brochure.

The photo must be original, created solely by the Entrant, may not be plagiarized, and may not have been previously published or have previously won a prize or award in a Cary Park District photo contest or any other photo or art contest. By entering this contest you also certify to the Cary Park District that you are the sole copyright holder of the image.

Only two (2) entries per person. **Each entry must have a separate and complete Entry Form. Multiple entries can not be combined on the same form.** Entry form(s) must be completely filled out and signed. The name of the photo file you provide must match the name of the photo file listed on the Entry Form.

All photos printed for the Community Center display and prepared for the website may be resized to the appropriate dimensions for each medium. The printed size will be 4 x 6 inches. For best results submissions should be at least 300 dpi. The Cary Park District is **not** responsible for images that do not display properly due to a low resolution photo submission (less than 300 dpi). The Cary Park District reserves the right to resize and crop images if necessary to fit the medium.

Written permission must be provided from all human subjects or their parent or guardian (if the subject is under 18 years old) who appear in the photo even if the subject is in shadows or is not looking directly at the camera. The written permission must be included with your submission.

Photos must not contain objectionable content, including but not limited to, graffiti and offensive material.

Winners of the 2016 photo contest and current Cary Park District employees are ineligible for this year's contest.

Entries are due by 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19. Entries received after 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19 will not be entered into the contest. A complete entry consists of the photo, a complete and signed entry form, and written permission from human subjects (if applicable).

Entries will be displayed at the Community Center and on our website no later than June 30. People's Choice voting will be held from the day they are displayed until July 23 and The People's Choice winners (one in each division) will be announced no later than July 28.

This contest is for fun. The winning photo in each division will have their photo displayed within the Community Center for one year and will appear in a seasonal program brochure.

Photos submitted may be used in Cary Park District printed and electronic media without any compensation to you. By entering this contest you have granted the Cary Park District use of your photo(s) for this purpose.

The Cary Park District reserves the right to disqualify photos if they do not meet the requirements of the contest.

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Photos are due by 10:00 pm on Monday, June 19. Be sure to read and follow the contest rules listed on the previous pages.

Photographer's Information

Name _____ Age (if under 18) _____

Parent/Guardian Name if photographer is under age 18 _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Participants will receive photo contest updates and notices of when public viewing and voting will begin. Please print your e-mail address if you would like to receive these updates.

Division Entered (check one) Youth (17 & under) Adult (18 & older)

Photo Information

Title of photo _____

The title listed will be displayed with the photo.

Approximate date photo was taken _____

Name of park, facility, or recreation program photo was taken
(photo must be of a Cary Park District park, facility, recreational program, or special event).

Name of the photo file you provided electronically or on CD-ROM _____

Additional Information

Photos that contain images of people must have written permission from the person(s) in the frame giving permission for the Cary Park District to use, publish, or distribute the photograph. The written permission must be submitted with the entry form. For photos with children (age 17 & under) a parent or guardian must provide the written permission. Photos that do not include written permission will be disqualified. By entering this contest you also certify to the Cary Park District that you are the sole copyright holder of the image.

Warning of Risk: Recreational activities/programs are intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental, and emotional resources of each participant. Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning, and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury when participating in any recreational activity/program. Understandably, not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. Depending on the particular activity, participants must understand that certain risks, dangers, and injuries due to inclement weather, slipping, falling, poor skill level or conditioning, carelessness, horseplay, unsportsmanlike conduct, premise defects, inadequate or defective equipment, inadequate supervision, instruction, or officiating, and all other circumstances inherent to indoor and outdoor recreational activities/programs exist. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the Cary Park District to guarantee absolute safety.

Waiver and Release of all Claims and Assumption of Risk: Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in Cary Park District identified programs/activities, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages, or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with and associated with said programs/activities (including transportation services/vehicle operation, when provided). I recognized and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in these programs/activities, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive or relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in these programs/activities against the Cary Park District including its officials, agents, volunteers, and employees (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Cary Park District"). I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the Cary Park District from any and all claims for injuries, damages, or loss that my minor child/ward or I may have or which may accrue to me or my minor child/ward arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with these programs/activities.

I have read and fully understand the above important information, warning of risk, assumption of risk, and waiver and release of claims. If registering via fax, your facsimile signature shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as an original form signature.

I have attached written permission from my photo subjects and/or their parent/guardian.

I accept the terms of entry in the Cary Park District's Give Us Your Best Shot Amateur Photo Contest.

Signature of Photographer _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian if photographer is under 18 _____