

# ***Silver Lake Nature Center's 45th Annual Nature Photography Contest*** **Saturday, February 23, 2019 - Reception-11:00 AM-Award Ceremony-11:30 AM**

<b>Categories</b>	<b>B/W (Combined)</b>	<b>Color Amateur</b>	<b>Color Advanced Amateur**</b>
Bucks County Parks	1B	1CA	1CAA
Looking Up	2B	2CA	2CAA
Night Photography	3B	3CA	3CAA
Nature in Motion	4B	4CA	4CAA
KIS (Simplicity)	5B	5CA	5CAA
Natural Intricacies	6B	6CA	6CAA
People in Nature	7B	7CA	7CAA
Planet Earth	8B	8CA	8CAA
PhotoSynthesis (AKA OPEN)	90 (no distinction between B/W or Amateur/Advanced in this category)		

**Re: Bucks County Parks:** (The image of the Bucks County Park must be an easily recognizable feature of the park. The club will verify with officials and have the final say as to its submission. Please see list of parks below. )

Core Creek Park	Lake Towhee Park	Peace Valley Park
Playwicki Park	Ringing Rocks Park	Silver Lake Park
Tinicum Park	Tohickon Valley Park	Stover-Myers Mill
Erwin Stover House	Moravian Pottery & Tile Works	Churchville Nature Center
Peace Valley Nature Center	Silver Lake Nature Center	

**Please visit <http://www.buckscounty.org/government/departments/ParksandRec/> for locations of parks**

Amateur status is defined by the following criteria:

The artist is not currently showing in the photography medium or represented by a gallery, does not function as a professional photographer and is not retired from a professional photographer career. Past contest winners will be classified as Advanced Amateur.

Advanced Amateur status is for those experienced photographers who feel their work has advanced into a higher photographic ability and quality while still meeting all of the criteria for Amateur status

**Club Officials reserve the right to reclassify any image in question according to these categories**

**Fees Per Photo:** \$5.00

**Entry deadline is Tuesday, February 12, 2019**

**Drop off dates & times:**

February 9 12:00 pm-4:00 pm  
 February 10 12:00 pm-2:00 pm  
 February 11 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

**Pick up dates and times:**

March 25 7:00-9:00 pm  
 (or stop by the Nature Center  
 any time after Mar 25)

**Rules:**

1. Prints must be at least 8x10 and outside dimensions (including mat) can be no larger than 16 x 20
2. Prints must be Securely Mounted or Matted (see website for more detailed instructions)
3. No photos under glass or framed
4. Participant must have taken photo
5. **All entries MUST have Velcro (hook side) mounted on the back of the mat on ALL corners**  
**Amount of Velcro used must be able to support the weight of your entry**
6. Limit one (1) color entry and one (1) black and white entry per category
7. The same photo may only be entered in one (1) category, including B/W and color
8. No former Silver Lake Nature Center Photography Contest winning photos will be accepted
9. Photos showing heavy manipulation such as composites or textured overlays must be entered in the open category.

Judging is done by multiple professionals in the field of photography. Each category will receive a First, Second and third place ribbon. First place for Bucks County Parks and Best of Show (B/W and Color) will receive additional awards to be determined. Other awards include: Silver Lake Nature Center Award, and Focal Planes Photo Club Award.

## Silver Lake Nature Center Photography Contest Entry Form

Please complete one form for each image you are entering. Your name and phone number should be on the back of your image. There should be no identifying marks on the front of the image or mat. Please mark "Top" with an arrow showing the correct orientation so that we can be sure to hang your image correctly. Copies of Entry Forms are acceptable. Please print legibly.

### PHOTO CONTESTANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Member Yes/No (CIRCLE ONE)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_  
FOR CLUB USE: CONTESTANT # \_\_\_\_\_ # of Photos Entered \_\_\_\_\_

### PHOTO ENTRY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Camera: \_\_\_\_\_  
Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Where photo was taken: \_\_\_\_\_

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The contest is sponsored by **Focal Planes Photo Club**, **The Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center**, and the **Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation**. Sponsors are not responsible for any lost/damaged entries; however we will do our best to protect your images. Entries not picked up will become the property of Focal Planes Photo Club to dispose of as they deem fit.