National Estuaries Week

Photo Contest 2016

In celebration of National Estuaries Week, September 17 to 24, 2016, NOAA is hosting its second annual photo contest. Send us your best photos from a national estuarine research reserve, pictures that display education, research, recreation, and the beauty of the reserve. We want to see them all!

Winners will be chosen by a panel of judges and will be featured in our social media campaign during National Estuaries Week. Submit your photos under the following categories:

- Learn
- Work
- Play
- View

To Enter

Submit your images (no more than 10 photos, each with a minimum 1200 pixel width) to OCM.NERRS.PhotoContest@noaa.gov. All images must include the following: photographer's name, date when photo was taken, location (name of national estuarine research reserve), and subject matter description.

Deadline

Photos must be submitted by August 31, 2016, to be eligible for the contest.

Additional Contest Rules

- 1. Photographers must be at least 13 years of age or older as of August 1, 2016.
- 2. You must be the taker and owner of the photo and have the right to publish it (including having necessary permissions and model releases for anyone identifiably pictured).
- 3. By submitting a photo, you are giving NOAA and the National Estuarine Research Reserve Association permission to use the photo for other purposes, such as within NOAA's photo galleries, on the *coast.noaa.gov/nerrs* website, for social media, and in other office publications. We will provide credit to photographers whenever their photos are used.
- 4. Photos that are submitted without information stated under the "To Enter" section above will not be considered.
- 5. You are eligible to submit photos if less than 20 percent of your total income is from photography.
- 6. No watermarks must be placed on submitted photos.
- 7. Photos must be a minimum of 1200 pixels wide (but the bigger, the better!)
- 8. Each person may submit up to 10 entries.
- 9. Please keep the content clean and appropriate. Inappropriate content will not be accepted.

Email questions to OCM.NERRS.PhotoContest@noaa.gov.