



# EPL's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Photo Contest

**Rules:** The Edwardsville Public Library is hosting its fifteenth annual photography contest. We will begin **accepting submissions Monday, October 1st**. All entries must be received by 9:00 pm Monday, November 5th. Entries will be judged early in November (specific date to be announced), and prizes will be awarded.

Submitted photographs will be displayed throughout the library. If you wish to get your photos back, they will be available at the Library's Service Desk beginning Friday, November 30th. Any photos not picked up by Sunday, December 30th will be discarded.

- Contest is open to anyone age 16 and over
- Entries must be unmounted, borderless photographs and can be acquired using either digital or film photography.
- For the minimum size, one of the photo's dimensions must be at least 7 inches. For the maximum size, no dimension can be greater than 10 inches.
- **There are 6 categories for photos: Flora, Animal, Scenic, Architecture, Still Life/Abstract, and Portrait.** It is up to the discretion of the photographer to select the category in which they wish to enter their photo(s). Photos in any category can be in color or in black and white.
- The following prizes will be awarded in each category:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$50 Target gift card
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$30 Target gift card
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$20 Target gift card

Only one photo per photographer may receive a prize.

- Starting on Monday, November 12th, we will have "Patron's Picks" where library patrons can vote for their favorite photo. Voting ends at 9:00 pm on Monday, November 26th. A \$20 Target gift card will be awarded to each of the top two vote recipients.
- **On the back of each photo, you must provide your name, phone or e-mail, and the category in which you are entering that photo.**
- Limit of 3 photos per person
- Photos entered in the contest must have been taken by and must be owned by the entrant. Images previously published are not eligible.
- Photographic content should be appropriate for display in the public library. The Edwardsville Public Library retains sole discretion as to what constitutes appropriate content.
- It is the responsibility of the contestant to obtain written or verbal release for public use of the photo from all persons in the photograph submitted. The photographer accepts all liability from the use of a photo where this release has not been obtained.
- The Edwardsville Public Library will not be held responsible for any damages that may occur to submitted photos.

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Thank you to the **Edwardsville Library Friends** for the prizes.

