

CHILDREN CONTEST

(under 18 years of age)

Rules

Nature must be the dominant theme of any entry. Manmade objects such as buildings, boats, roads, etc should be kept to a minimum. Furthermore, since this contest is focused on nature, **entries may not be digitally altered** beyond normal dust removal/clean up and minor adjustments to levels, curves, color saturation and image contrast. No digital composite images are allowed. Only minor cropping of any image is allowed. If an image has been cropped significantly, the image will be disqualified from judging. No winning contest entries from prior Wild Amelia Photography Contests are allowed.

Age

Under 10	one category
10-17	one category

Entry Fee

\$5 for 2 entries per person. Payment must be made at time of image submission by check or money order.

Submissions

Images must be submitted digitally on a CD or DVD compatible with Windows-based PC's. The CD/DVD must be accompanied by a completed entry form and payment. Please do not resize your images for contest submission, submit your images in JPEG as they came out of the camera. Save your image as a JPEG at the highest possible quality setting (normally 12). If you have any questions regarding JPEG quality settings, please refer to the Contest entry tip page on the Wild Amelia website. No prints will be accepted. Each image should contain the entrant's name and image title in the file name. Refer to the step by step instructions on the Contest Entry Tip page if you have any questions.

Deadline

Entries must be postmarked no later than April 6, 2012

Copyright

Contest entrants must be the creators of the image and owners of the copyright for every image submitted. By entering the Wild Amelia Nature Festival photography contest, entrants agree that if the images are among the winning images or images selected for publication in the 2013 Wild Amelia Calendar, Wild Amelia is granted a non exclusive license to reproduce the winning images for editorial, promotional and display use including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Inclusion in a 2013 Wild Amelia Photo contest calendar
2. Inclusion in the 2013 Wild Amelia Brochure and associated promotional material in both print and electronic media forms as well as future Wild Amelia advertising efforts
3. Display at Fort Clinch Visitor Center.

Judging Guidelines

Photographic entries will be judged on the following criteria:

1. How well each entry portrays the natural environments and ecosystems of Amelia Island and the surrounding habitats.
2. Technical aspects to include composition, exposure, color balance and overall visual impact.
3. One prize awarded per contestant (the highest award determined by the judges).

The judges will be professional photographers from Northeast Florida.

Winner Announcements

Winning entries will be announced at 3:30pm on Saturday, May 19 at the Atlantic Recreation Center's main auditorium in Fernandina Beach. All contest entries will be displayed via a continuous digital slideshow during select times at the festival.