

“SHADOWS”: WEST POINT/CLAY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL PHOTO COMPETITION CONTEST RULES 2017

The theme of “SHADOWS” can be best realized early and late in the day when shadows are the most prominent . All photography must be taken in 2016 or 2017 but photos do not have to be taken in Clay Co. this year.

The competition is open to amateurs only; no photography experience is required.

Three age categories:

- 1) Youth: to include children up to 12
- 2) Teens, to include ages 13-17
- 3) Adults, 18 and over

Prizes for each age category:

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| 1 st PRIZE: \$100 |
| 2 nd PRIZE: \$50 |
| Honorable Mention: \$25 |
| GRAND PRIZE FOR OVERALL WINNER: \$250 |

Competition runs August 10 to Sept 27. All entries must be postmarked by Sept 27 . A 3-judge panel will evaluate and select all winners. Awards will be presented at the Louise Campbell Arts Center on October 8 at 2:30 PM.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

- 1) **COMPOSITION**
- 2) **ORIGINALITY/CREATIVITY**
- 3) **DRAMA/IMPACT**
- 4) **TECHNICAL QUALITY**

GUIDELINES:

1. Entrants must live, work or attend school in West Point or Clay County.
2. Entrants must be amateur photographers.
3. Entrants may submit a maximum of 3 photographs.
4. All photographs must have been taken in the 2014 or 2015 calendar years.
5. Entrants must certify they took the submitted photos and have permission to use any images involved.
6. Only photographs taken in good taste will be accepted.
7. All photos must be from 5"x7" to 8"x10", individually mounted on foam or mat board.
No frames or mats around the photos!!
8. Photos may be color, black & white or a combination.
9. Photos may be taken on film or with digital media.
10. Photos may be printed on ink jet photo paper, dye sub paper or regular photo paper.
11. Photos may be adjusted or digitally manipulated.
12. The back of each photo must contain: entrant's name, age if youth or teen, full home address and phone number, location of the shot and any relevant technical information.
13. Entrant may also state briefly why the photo fits into the theme of the competition.
14. While entrants retain ownership of their images, the Arts Council or the City of West Point may use all submitted photos for promotional purposes, to include brochures, calendars or cards. Copies of each winning entry will be retained for the Permanent Collection.

“SHADOWS” PHOTO COMPETITION ENTRY FORM: PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Full Mailing: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Clay County Work or School Name & Address if not a Clay County Resident:

Check Age Category: _____ Youth (to 12) _____ Teen (13-17) _____ Adult

Be sure to write your name, complete address & phone number on the back of each photo entry.

Fill in photo information below. Attach extra paper if needed. Submit up to 3 photos.

Brief Photo Description	Location Photo was Taken	Approximate Date Taken
Example: Fishing Trip	Example: Biloxi	Example: March, 2017
1.		
2.		
3.		

Remember: Photographs must be between 5"x7" and 8"x10", mounted on foam or mat board!!!

I understand that the photos I am submitting belong to me and will be available for pick-up at the Library in mid-January unless my photo wins. If my representative or I do not pick up my work then, the West Point/Clay Co. Arts Council has no responsibility to return photos to me. I also understand that if my photography wins any prize in any age category, it will be retained in the Arts Council Permanent Collection. I also grant the West Point/Clay Co. Arts Council and the City of West Point the right to the images for promotional purposes, which may include brochures, calendars and cards, and I will provide a copy of the photo upon request.

I have appropriate permission to submit my photograph(s) to this competition; my photos were taken in the years 2016 or 2017.

_____ (Signature) _____ (Date)

Mail this form with your mounted photo(s) to: “SHADOWS”, PO Box 105, West Point, MS 39773 OR

You may drop your entries at the Louise Campbell Arts Center on Sept. 27, from 1-5 PM