

Lake Arts Council and Lake Area Camera Club
present

PHOTO QUEST 2026

Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2026

At Stone Crest Mall, Lake Arts Council Office

AWARDS CEREMONY 5:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

This contest is to give amateur photographers (earning less than \$500.00 gross per year from photography excluding contest winnings) an opportunity to exhibit their art and receive recognition for their work. Film, Digital Cell Phone Photography are equally welcomed. The Categories for this year are:

1. Wildlife
2. Nature and Florals
3. Landscapes and Scenics
4. Travel, Architecture, Story Telling

Specifications: Please read carefully

1. Print dimensions: No larger than 11" x 14".
2. Prints may be color or monochrome (i.e. black and white, sepia, cyanotype, etc.)
3. Prints must be mounted WITHOUT A BORDER on **white foam board only**. Foam board must be no larger than the print. Photos that have mats around them will NOT be accepted; we judge on photo quality only.
4. Submit as many photos as you wish. The entry fee is \$5.00 per photo. Checks should be made payable to: Lake Arts Council; VISA, MasterCard are also available.
5. No images will be accepted after the entry deadline (see below).
6. Previous Photo Quest Winning Images will be disqualified and the entry fee not refunded.
7. Identification is required and is to be attached to the back center of the foam board for each photo.
8. Prints not meeting specifications and requirements will NOT be accepted and the entry fee will NOT be refunded.

There will be 2 judges that are in no way connected to the Lake Arts Council or Lake Area Camera Club. If you have any questions, please call Lake Arts Council at 573-964-6366.

All photos must be at the Lake Arts Council office by:

1:00 p.m. on the entry deadline of Friday, Aug. 21, 2026

Bring or mail your photos to: Lake Arts Council, PHOTO QUEST 2024, Stone Crest Mall, Ste. D4, 3797 Osage Beach Parkway, Osage Beach, MO 65065

Office hours are 9:00 am –2:00 pm Mon. – Fri. For more information, please call 573-964-6366.

Photos will be exhibited at the Lake Arts Council Office in Stone Crest Mall Sept. 12 – Oct. 2. Your photos will be available for pick up after Oct. 8, 2026. Do not remove photos from the displays. Winning Photos will be on display from Oct. 2, 2026 to Oct. 25, 2026 on the Council Exhibit Wall. *The Lake Arts Council cannot be responsible for lost or damaged photographs.*

Pick up location following the display:

1. Lake Arts Council at Stone Crest Mall.
2. If you wish, we will return them to you by mail for a postage fee of \$4.00 per image.

Images not picked up from Lake Arts Council by November 30th, 2026 will become the property of the Lake Arts Council.

PRIZES

\$100 for Best of Show

\$50.00 for 1st Place in each Category

\$25.00 for 2nd Place in each Category

3rd Place, and Honorable Mention will receive Ribbons

Please cut out the form below and attach it to the back of the foam board of each photo you enter. We look forward to having your photos exhibited and to your chance of winning.

THANK YOU TO ALL!!!!

The Photo Quest Team

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If you have any questions regarding the categories or photography in general, please feel free to join us at one of the Lake Area Camera Club's Monthly Meetings, the 2nd Monday of every month, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at Faith Bridge Church, 901 Hwy. 42, Osage Beach, MO.

1. Photographer's name: _____

2. Title of Photo: _____

3. Photographer's address: _____

4. Phone number: _____

5. e-mail: _____

6. Photo pick up location: Lake Arts Council Mail back to me (fee enclosed)___

7. Photo Category (circle one):

Wildlife

Nature and Florals

Landscapes and Scenics

Travel, Architecture, Story Telling

****By entering my images, I give LAC permission to use my image(s) for promotional purposes.**

Signed: _____