

Welcome McCurtain County Fair Photographers!

Coordinators for the McCurtain County Free Fair's Photography contest have made some rule changes. There is no longer a Professional Division in the competition. Professional Business Photographers will be showcased with a slide show playing throughout the fair for people to enjoy. People's choice has been replaced with Sponsor's Choice. We look forward to seeing your work!

# McCurtain County Free Fair Photography Competition

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## Section Links

Children 18 & under  
(501)

Amateur Adults 19 & over  
(502)

Professional  
(display)

## Rules:

\*One entry per class ONLY

\*8x10 size ONLY

\*No frames, matted ONLY

\*Name, phone #, section,  
class on back of  
every photo

\*Pick-up time is Sat. after  
6pm or OSU ext.

## Class Links

#1 People

#2 Animals

#3 Action

#4 Natural World

#5 Still Life

#6 Altered Images

# McCurtain County Free Fair

## Photography Contest

### Explanation of New Classes

Class: #1 People

Singles or groups; Color, Sepia, or B/W

Single step retouches allowed.

Example      Judges criteria

Class: #2 Animals (including insects & fish)

Singles or multiples; Color, Sepia, or B/W

Single step retouches allowed.

Examples      Judges criteria

Class: #3 Action

Singles or multiples; Color, Sepia, or B/W

Single step retouches allowed.

Examples      Judges criteria

Class: #4 Natural World

Landscapes, City-scapes, Sea-scapes, sky-scapes, Trees, Flowers, & Nature; Color, Sepia, or B/W

Single step retouches allowed.

Examples      Judges criteria

Class: #5 Still Life

Singles or groups of inanimate objects arranged and photographed. Color, Sepia, or B/W

Single step retouches allowed.

Such as: Grandpa's fishing rod, cap, & lures; Bowl of fruits; Grandma's cookbook & bowl.

Examples      Judges criteria

Class: #6 Altered Images

Any photograph with two or more digital enhancements.

Such as: Layering photos for 3-D effect; Creation of a digital image into art; using Photoshop on an image two or more times.

**BRIEFLY LIST EACH ENHANCEMENT ON BACK OF PHOTO.**

Examples      Judges criteria

Judges Criteria

Section # 501 or 502

Class # People 1

Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Subject in focus
2. Subject has catch light in eyes
3. Subject shows emotion
4. Subject well cropped
5. Subject no red eye

## Judges Criteria

Section # 501 or 502

Class # Animal 2

Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Subject in focus
2. Subject well cropped
3. Useful lighting contrasts
4. No background clutter
5. Use of soft focus on background

## Judges Criteria

Section # 501 or 502

Class # Action 3

Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Subject in focus
2. No red eye
3. Well cropped
4. Tells a story
5. Shows action

## Judges Criteria

Section # 501 or 502

Class # Natural World 4

Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Photo in focus
2. Use of “rule of thirds”
3. Photo tells a story
4. Has sharp contrasts
5. Has a focal point

## Judges Criteria

Section # 501 or 502

Class # Still Life 5

Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Photo in focus
2. Photo has effective use of lighting
3. Photo has effective use of color saturation
4. Photo has effective use of “rule of thirds”
5. Photo has effective use of lines and levels

## Judges Criteria

Section # 501 or 502

Class # Altered Images 6

Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Photo has obvious focal point
2. Use of color or sharp contrasts
3. Use of 2 or more artistic effects
4. Use of creative effects on computer
5. Use of emotional appeal

Professional Photographers of McCurtain County,

Coordinators of the McCurtain County Free Fair's photography contest have changed the way our local professionals will want to be involved. There is no longer a Professional Division in the competition. We felt that it was not the best way to showcase our business owners.

A Professional Business Photographers **slide show** will be created using your **digital images with signatures**. Send images to [westimpressions@gmail.com](mailto:westimpressions@gmail.com)

I am looking forward to seeing McCurtain County's finest photography work on display!

Thank you,

Jill Trapp

Fair Photography Coordinator

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# Professional

(Display)

- Persons with an active tax-paying business
- Display only
- 1-16x20 or larger stretcher framed or matted & framed
- Ready to hang
- From one of the following classes:

People

Animals

Action

Natural world

Still life

Altered images

# *Assignment*

## *Contest*

*“McCurtain County Icons A-Z”*

- An 11x14 (poster size) print. No mat or frame necessary
- Must be entitled beginning with letter of alphabet A-Z
- Use any of classes: People, Animals, Action, Natural World, Still Life & Altered Image
- Concentrate subject matter to what is uniquely McCurtain County
- Call with questions Jill @ 212-1488