

# PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

**Photo Format: ADULTS DIVISION I & III – 8x10 or larger, matted.  
YOUTH DIVISION II & IV – 5x7 or larger, matted**

1. Prize money will be awarded in **four** divisions.
2. DIVISION I – Adults – (Age 19 and over) Traditional Photography - photos of people, places or objects.
3. DIVISION II – Youth (Age 18 & under) – Traditional Photography - photos of people, places or objects.
4. DIVISION III – Adults – (Age 19 and over) Graphic Art - photos of people, places or objects – Obviously altered or experimental process images.
5. DIVISION IV – Youth (Age 18 & under) – Graphic Art- photos of people, places or objects – Obviously altered or experimental process images.
6. All entries must be either window matted and/or mounted on a stiff backing board; **unmatted/mounted prints** will not be accepted. **No wood, plastic or metal frames will be permitted.**
7. The contest is open to all photographers and there is no time limit on when the photograph was taken.
8. Each entry must have the following information written on the back of the mat: Name, Address, Photo Title and/or Description, Phone Number and email.
9. There is an entry fee of **\$5.00** for **EACH ENTRY** submitted. There is **NO LIMIT** as to the number of entries submitted. Cash or Money Order accepted no personal checks or credit cards.
10. **Two Entry Forms as Required:** One completed entry form must be attached to the back of each mat submitted and one completed entry form is for the YMBL Office.

**11. All entries must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. on the second Thursday in March of the current year.**

12. Entries can either be delivered in person or mailed to the following address:

South Texas State Fair Photo Contest  
7250 Wespark Drive  
Beaumont, Texas 77705

### **IMPORTANT:**

All photos delivered in person must be picked up on **Monday, April 7, 2025** between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at the YMBL office located at 7250 Wespark, Beaumont, Texas. Photo Entries not picked up by **Thursday, April 25, 2025 will be discarded.** All mail-in entries MUST have return postage enclosed with the entry; we will re-use the mailing carton to return the photos submitted. Photo entries that do not have adequate postage for return mailing, will be discarded.

13. Young Men's Business League/South Texas State Fair **WILL NOT ACCEPT** responsibility for any photos or matting lost or damaged.
14. Judging of the prints will be based on the following: 25% for content, 25% for originality, 25% for technical merit, and 25% for artistic merit.
15. Decisions of the judges are **FINAL**.

### **AWARDS**

**Both ribbons and prize money will be awarded in the following categories for all four divisions.**

<u>DIVISION I &amp; III</u>		<u>DIVISION II &amp; IV</u>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$100.00		\$100.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$75.00		\$75.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	\$50.00		\$50.00