



LANCASTER COUNTY Conservation District

Photography Contest

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Lancaster County Conservation District (LCCD), we are presenting a photograph contest for community members to enter their best photos of Lancaster County.

Who May Enter?

The contest is open to photographers ages 10 and up. There will be two age categories – Youth Entrants (10-17 years of age) and Adult Entrants (18 years of age and above).

What to Enter?

All photographs must be taken in Lancaster County. The photographs can be in black & white or in full color. The photograph categories are as follows:

1. *Agricultural/Farming Best Management Practices (BMPs)*
2. *Watershed/Riparian Buffer/Water Quality Best Management Practices Stream-side*
3. *Outdoor Recreation*
4. *Miscellaneous (wildlife, Lancaster County culture/lifestyle, etc.)*

How to Enter?

Prepare your photograph(s) by saving copies as JPEGs no smaller than 500 KB and no larger than 5 MB. If submitting color photographs, please submit in RGB (SRGB) mode (not CMYK). You will submit all photographs electronically via a Google Form (link below).

With each photograph, please include the (1) name of the photographer, (2) photograph title, (3) the category the photo should be judged in, (4) photograph location, and (5) photographer contact information (phone number and email, if applicable).

All photos must be submitted by July 31st at noon. The submission window will run from May 12th to July 31st. Entry form link: <https://forms.gle/PztXfTkLyz2cJGxc8>

Contest Rules

- Photographs must be taken in Lancaster County.
- Limited to **2 entries** per person, regardless of category.
- Photograph file size cannot be over 5 MB
- Photograph must be taken by the person entering it.
- AI-Generated images are not eligible.
- Panoramas, HDR, focus stacking, and in-camera multiple exposures are permitted as long as any manipulation is disclosed in the caption upon entry of the image.



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Judges

All photograph entries will be judged by Sonia Wasco, Chairperson of the LCCD Board of Directors, and Josh Slaymaker, professional photographer. The entries will be displayed, and the winners will be recognized at the 75th Anniversary Banquet on September 25th, 2025. The winning photographs will be featured on the LCCD website and newsletter.

Prizes

There will be a total of 5 awards given – first place in each category and a “Best in Show”. First-place winners will receive a ribbon and a field bag with the LCCD logo on it. The “Best in Show” will receive a ticket(s) to the Banquet. Winners will also have their photographs included in an LCCD publication.

Important Notice – Rights to Photography

LCCD shall have the right to verify, in their sole judgment, entrant eligibility. In order to enter the photo contest, all entrants, including the parent or guardian of any Youth Entrants, must agree to the following terms. Because these terms form a legally binding agreement, please read them carefully. If an entrant, or the parent or guardian of a Youth Entrant, does not agree to these terms, the Entrant will not be eligible to participate.

RIGHTS: Entrants retain all ownership of their images, subject to the license granted here to LCCD as described below.

LICENSE GRANTED: In consideration for the opportunity to win an award for your image(s), by entering the contest you hereby grant LCCD a nonexclusive, worldwide, royalty-free license to publicly display, reproduce, distribute, modify, excerpt, and transmit your entered images in relationship to the LCCD Awards. This includes all associated reproduction, distribution, and derivative works in all media including, but not limited to:

- 1) LCCD website and all LCCD social media channels.
 - 2) LCCD magazine and other LCCD printed or digital publications, including multimedia platforms.
 - 3) Exhibitions including sublicensed display at third-party locations such as events or presentations.
- This license shall remain perpetual without further compensation or permission unless prohibited by law. For any images that are selected for acknowledgment or award at any level and in any category of the contest, you hereby grant LCCD the right to publish your portrait and your name as a selected honoree.



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WARRANTIES: By entering the contest, you represent and warrant that (a) the image(s) are your original creations, (b) no part of your image(s) infringes upon or violates any copyright, trademark, or any other proprietary right of any third party, (c) that any recognizable individual in any photo has given you permission, and if that individual is a minor, that you have received permission from their parent or guardian, and (d) no rights in the image(s) have been previously granted to any person or entity that would limit or interfere with the license rights granted to LCCD herein. Further, you agree to indemnify and hold harmless LCCD and all contest sponsors, partners, and supporters against any claims brought by any third party claiming ownership of such rights. This warranty does not expire.