



**NEW! PAGSY Photo Contest** begins August 1, 2018, and ends November 30, 2018, at 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time. By submitting an entry, each contestant agrees to the rules of the contest. Students under Age 18 must have parent/guardian signature of approval.

Who may enter:

PAGSY Photo Contest is open to all amateur photographers who are 8 years of age or older.

**Level One:** students age 8 to 16 years of age as of November 30, 2018).

**Level Two:** Students 17 and older.

Individuals affiliated with PAGSY, including employees, volunteers, and their immediate families (children, siblings and spouses), are not eligible for any prize. PAGSY will determine winners' eligibility and the winners in its sole discretion.

**Three Contest Categories to enter are:**

1. **Flowers:** Photos of plants, plant portraits, landscapes and groups of plants in the garden.
2. **Garden Features:** Architectural, water features, gazebos, arbors, walkways, lighted elements, statuary, walls, she sheds, gathering areas, and other structural items within the garden
3. **Garden Visitors:** Friends and family, pets, animals, birds, insects within the garden.

All photos must have been taken between March 1- November 30, 2018.

For a photo in which a person is recognizable, you must submit a model release from the subject or, in the case of a minor, the subject's parent or guardian along with your entry. [Model release is available here.](#)

Photos that violate or infringe upon another person's rights, including but not limited to copyright, are not eligible. For example, a close up of some one's art work or sculpture that does not appear within a larger garden setting.

Photos that contain, obscene, violent, sexually explicit, nude or other objectionable or inappropriate content, as determined by PAGSY in its sole discretion, are ineligible for all categories of this contest.

How to enter:

All photographs should be 8 x 10 inches with a cardboard back. No glass of any kind will be allowed. No frames are allowed. Any photo submitted in a frame or glass will be disqualified. Your photo will be displayed within the 2019 PAGSY exhibition. Submit your photo and an entry form for each photo along with a check for \$5.00 per photo to: 2019 PAGSY Photo Contest P. O. BOX 147 Dover, PA 17315.

Alternatively, you may submit photographs and requested information online through [mvgardens@live.com](mailto:mvgardens@live.com) to be placed in the online photo contest gallery in our website at [PAGSY.com/photocontest](http://PAGSY.com/photocontest). Photos submitted electronically will be viewed only in the online gallery. E-submissions will not be printed and hung within PAGSY. All category submissions will be judged together whether printed or online. Electronic submissions should be in .jpeg, .jpg or .gif format. Use your highest quality at 300 dpi, but no larger than 10 MB per item. Please use a separate form for each entry. PAGSY may collect the metadata from online submissions. All Email submissions should go to: [mvgardens@live.com](mailto:mvgardens@live.com).

Each photographer may submit 1 photograph per each category for a contest total of 3 submissions. That means no more than 3 per each email address.

You retain your rights to your photograph; however, by entering the contest, you grant the PAGSY and PAGSY agents a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any PAGSY purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion, website, exhibition, and commercial products. Any photograph reproduced will include a photographer credit as feasible. PAGSY will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such uses.

#### **Entry deadline:**

The contest begins on August 1, 2018. All entries must be received by PAGSY by 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time on Friday November 30, 2018.

#### **Entry Fee:**

An entry fee of \$5.00 per photograph must be submitted along with your Entry Form whether your entry is printed for display in the show or emailed for online galley only. Each fee entitles you to one free entry into the 2019 PA Garden Show of York. You will be mailed an entry ticket to PAGSY good for one adult admission, along with your receipt for each entry.

#### **Judging:**

Photo entries will be judged based on use of garden images, creativity, quality, and originality.

PAGSY will select 3 finalists per category. Finalists can be printed or online. The Winner will receive an award with a value of \$100.00. Second place will be awarded a value of \$75.00 and Third place an award valued at \$50.00. The winners will be notified online of their status by March 1, 2019 and will appear in the 2019 PAGSY Photo Contest display or on our website contest gallery in spring 2019. At that time, the public can vote live during PAGSY for the People's Choice winner. Voting ends Sunday March 3 at 2pm.

PAGSY will notify finalists and winners via the contact information provided at the time of entry. Judging will be done by Professional photographers Linda and Amy from A Moment in Thyme Photography, and are solely responsible for the judging. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

**Prizes:** Three prizes per category will be awarded, as follows:

**Category Winners:** The winners of each of the three categories will receive \$100 in cash or gift card.

**Second place:** \$75.00 cash or gift card.

**Third Place:** \$50.00 in cash or gift card.

**People's Choice:** The winner of the printed People's Choice award will receive \$100 in cash or gift card.

Visitors to PAGSY will vote during the show up to 2 PM Sunday. Winner announced before show close.

One cash prize per person per category. Winners must sign a release and license, as well as a declaration of eligibility. Just fill out the entry form to meet this requirement.

**Printed and Online Features:** PAGSY may select photos for highlight on its website, other social media or display in a publicly accessible contest archive; such selections will be made at PAGSY's sole discretion.

#### **Conditions of Entry:**

All entrants hold the Sponsors and their respective regents, directors, officers, employees, emeriti, fellows, interns, research associates, and volunteers (the "Indemnified Parties") harmless from and against all claims of any nature arising in connection with entrant's participation in the contest and acceptance or use of a prize. The Indemnified Parties are not liable for any costs, damages, injuries, or other claims incurred as a result of entrants' participation in the contest or winner's acceptance and usage of a prize. The Indemnified Parties are not responsible for incomplete or misdirected entries, technical or network malfunctions or failures, or causes beyond their control. Entrants are solely responsible for their entries. Entrants may not submit materials that introduce any software viruses, worms or other programs designed to damage software, hardware or telecommunications equipment or are off-topic, partisan-political, contain advertising, nudity, personal attacks or expletives, or is otherwise abusive, threatening, unlawful, harassing, discriminatory, libelous, obscene, false, sexually explicit, or that infringes on the rights of any third party.

The contest is void where prohibited or restricted by law. PAGSY reserves the right to cancel the contest or modify these rules at its discretion. In the event of a dispute regarding the winners, the PAGSY reserves the right to award or not award the prizes in its sole discretion. PAGSY reserves the right to disqualify any entrant whose entry or conduct appears in any way to: inhibit the enjoyment of others; tamper with the competition; violate these rules or other applicable law or regulation; infringe on the rights of third parties; or act in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner. Decisions of PAGSY final and binding.

Good luck and have fun!