



Alpine Bank Youth Photography Showcase Official Rules & Guidelines

1. Eligibility & Permissions

- **Open to all high school and middle school students in La Plata County**, including public, charter, private, and home school programs.
- **Parent or legal guardian permission is required** for every participant. By submitting an entry, participants affirm they have obtained appropriate consent. Parent / Guardian listed on the entry form will be contacted for confirmation.

2. Submission Requirements

- **Original work only.** All elements of the photograph must be the sole creation of the student. Political or inappropriate photos are prohibited at the sole discretion of the Colorado Pro Photographer Showdown.
- **One entry per student.** Multiple entries from the same student will disqualify the student from participation.
- **Submission format:** Students must upload digital files through the submission portal by the entry deadline. Other forms of entry are not accepted.
- **Image print size:** Minimum **8×10 inches**; maximum **11×14 inches**
- **Image requirements:**
 - File format: JPEG or PNG only (all other file types not accepted)
 - Digital file resolution must be at least 150 DPI (300 DPI recommended)
 - Recommended minimum pixel dimensions: for 8×10, at least 2400 × 3000 px; for 11×14, at least 3300 × 4200 px.
- **Editing.** Photographs may be cropped with minor color corrections. Editing the image, graphics, effects, etc. are prohibited.

3. Presentation

- Approved submissions will be posted on the PhotoShowdown.org online slideshow, but this does not guarantee that the entry will be among the finalists selected for the gallery exhibit at Durango Arts Center.
- Finalist photos selected for the gallery exhibition will be printed and mounted on foam core for gallery exhibition at no cost to the student.
- Each display will include:
 - The Colorado Pro Photographer Showdown logo
 - Student name and grade
 - A brief caption describing the photograph provided on entry form.

4. Ticket Distribution

- Each student selected for the gallery exhibit at the Durango Arts Center will receive two complimentary tickets to the Colorado Pro Photographer Showdown event on November 19 at Fort Lewis College Community Concert Hall
 - The student and parent will be notified how to pick up tickets.
 - One ticket is for the student and one for a guest.
 - **Tickets are non-transferable, may not be sold, non-refundable, and cannot be used by anyone else, even if the student cannot attend.**
 - If unused, the guest seat remains unoccupied—sorry, no substitutions allowed.

5. Photo Sales

- Finalist photos may be made available for purchase at the Durango Arts Center gallery exhibit with permission of the student and parent. The student will receive 100% of sales revenue for their photograph less credit card processing fee.
- Sales, if any, are administrated through the **Durango Arts Center**, with proceeds and process communicated at the exhibit.

6. Rights & Acknowledgements

- By submitting an image, the student and guardian grant the Colorado Pro Photographer Showdown and its partners the right to display, promote, and archive the work, in print and online.
- Credit will be given to the student whenever images are publicly used.

7. Rule Changes & Final Decisions

- The **Colorado Pro Photographer Showdown reserves the right to change or modify these rules at any time.**
- All decisions are **final and cannot be appealed.**

For information: Contact@PhotoShowdown.org