

Entry Rules

1. The contest is open to any amateur photographer except employees of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and members of their immediate families. An amateur is defined as someone who does not earn most of his/her living from photography.
2. Photos must have been taken within the past two years and previously published images are not eligible.
3. All photos must have been taken in Alabama.
4. Eligible format is high quality digital images only; JPEG or TIFF files. Set your camera to take the highest quality photo it can take. **Digital entries MUST be submitted on a CD-ROM accompanied by a data entry sheet and an 8x10 print of each photo.**
5. Photographers may enter up to 10 photos each.
6. Entry must be labeled on the reverse side of print with name and address of photographer and file name to correspond with data sheet entry description.
7. All photos can be described on a single data sheet; you may create your own data sheet or use the one in this brochure.

Categories

Student Snapshots - Two divisions: Youth ages 6-12 and 13-18 can enter any of the following categories. All entry rules apply. Please indicate age on data sheet if entering this category.

State Parks - Recreational activities, park facilities, scenery, events held at any of Alabama's 22 State Parks operated by the Alabama Department of Conservation. Location must be indicated on data sheet. Eligible parks found at www.alapark.com.

Birds - Native song and game birds.

Mammals - Native mammals (pets and livestock excluded).

Reptiles & Amphibians - Native turtles, salamanders, frogs, snakes, etc.

Other Native Wildlife - May include butterflies, insects, etc.

Scenic/Pictorial - Photos in which natural landmarks, scenery or inanimate objects are prominent; site location required for this category.

Nature-Based Activities - people enjoying recreation such as boating, fishing, hiking, hunting, camping (sports such as baseball and football are excluded).

Wild Flora - wildflowers, foliage, fruiting bodies, other parts of plants or trees (cultivated flowers, shrubs, etc. are excluded).

Judges will make selections based on quality, composition, content, originality, uniqueness, creativity, and general appeal.

First, second, third and honorable mention photos will be published in the February 2009 issue of *Outdoor Alabama* magazine and at outdooralabama.com.

The judges reserve the right to decide whether a category contains work that merits awards.

Prizes

In addition to having their winning entries printed in *Outdoor Alabama* magazine and the Web site, prizes courtesy of **Academy Sports + Outdoors** will be awarded to the winners in each category.

Certificates will be also be awarded to first, second and third places as well as honorable mentions.

Submissions

By submitting an entry, photographers grant permission to the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to publish winning photos in any publication or on its Web site. However, the photographer also retains the right to use the photo.

No photos will be returned.

Deadline

The deadline for entering the contest is October 31, 2008, at 5 p.m. Entries received after this time will be disqualified.

Send all entries to:

**Photo Contest
Outdoor Alabama
64 N. Union St., Suite 106
Montgomery, AL 36130**

For questions call Rebecca Leigh White at 1-800-262-3151 or email: RebeccaLeigh.White@dcnr.alabama.gov

To see previous contest winners visit **www.outdooralabama.com** and click on the Photo Gallery link.

Outdoor Alabama Photo Contest Data Sheet

Each photographer may submit up to 10 images.
Fill out contact information on this side and list photographs on the reverse.

Photographer _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-mail _____

I understand that the photos I enter in this contest will not be returned and may be used in publications and/or the web site of the Ala. Dept. of Conservation or other organization designated by the Department.

Photographer's signature (required) _____

Date _____

Data Entry Sheet

Please put the digital file name in the Entry # column.
 You may also create your own data entry sheet.
 No more than 10 entries per photographer.

Entry #	Category	Subject/Location	Date Taken	Camera Type	Youth/ Student Age*
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

*If applicable

Photo Submission Checklist

- Fill out data entry sheet for up to 10 photo submissions. Include an 8X10 print of each photo.
- Label the back of each photo with your name and address. Include a CD-ROM with images.
- Label the CD with your name and address.

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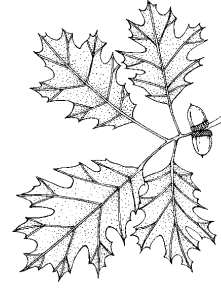
City, State, Zip: _____

Return to: *Outdoor Alabama*, Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources,
 64 N. Union St., Suite 106, Montgomery, AL 36130

Allow 4-6 weeks for delivery

Or call toll free: 1-877-339-0508

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2009 *Outdoor* **ALABAMA** Photo Contest

Categories:

- ▶ Birds
- ▶ Mammals
- ▶ Other Wildlife
- ▶ Reptiles & Amphibians
- ▶ Scenic/Pictorial
- ▶ Nature-Based Activities
- ▶ Wild Flora
- ▶ State Parks (new!)
- ▶ Student Snapshots (new!)

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