



The Parks Trust Photographic Competition Rules 2019

1. Entries must be taken in Milton Keynes at a park/green space belonging to The Parks Trust – you can see details of the Trust’s parks/green spaces at www.theparkstrust.com
2. Entrants should submit **one image per category**, in colour or black and white, as digital images
3. Digital images should be submitted as high-resolution jpeg images – at least 1400 pixels on the longest dimension.
4. All entries must be completed online via www.theparkstrust.com
5. The image upload must not exceed 30MB for all images. If entrants are only submitting images for one category, the full file capacity of 30MB can be used
6. All image file names must carry the name of the entrant, the category entered and the photo location. E.g. JohnBrown.Wildlife.Caldecottelake.jpg
7. Images may be digitally enhanced to remove spots or scratches, but not manipulated. Entrants can enhance the picture to make it brighter, clearer etc., but not manipulate the content. The judges reserve the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity. Original jpegs or transparencies may be requested if an image reaches the final round of the competition.
8. The competition is open to **UK residents only** (including residents of the Channel Islands and Isle of Man). Entrants under the age of 18 years must ensure they have parent or guardian permission to enter.
9. Entrants must not be professional photographers, and, for the purposes of this competition, a professional photographer will be considered to be someone who makes more than half their annual income from the sale of their photographs.
10. The competition begins at 9.00am on **Monday 1st April 2019** and closes at 5.00pm on **Thursday 5th September 2019**. The winners will be announced on **Thursday 19th September 2019**.
11. All entries will be judged by a panel of judges. The judges will select a shortlist of two photographs (the 'Finalists') for each category which, in their opinion, best illustrate the theme of the competition. They will consider a range of factors including composition, technical ability, originality and interpretation of the brief. A winner will be chosen from each category from both the adult and youth sections. One overall winner will then be selected from these winners. One entrant cannot win more than one category. The prize is as stated. There is no cash alternative and it cannot be sold or transferred.
12. Prizes are as follows:

Overall winner - £300 centre:mk Vouchers

Winners of each category - £50 centre:mk Vouchers

13. The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence can be entered into.
14. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photographs entered. The entrant must obtain permission (using the permission form provided on The Parks Trust’s website) of any people featured in the entries or their parents/guardians if children under 18 are featured.



15. Entrants will retain copyright of the photographs that they submit to The Parks Trust. By entering the competition all entrants grant to The Parks Trust the right to reproduce the images for the following purposes:
- Judging the competition
 - Display on the winners and runner up certificates
 - Inclusion in the Trust's Calendar (if selected)
 - Inclusion (if selected as one of the promotional images) within The Parks Trust's marketing and promotional materials (including press packs and website).

The Parks Trust is entitled further to the above to reproduce and exhibit in all media prize-winning and commended entries, but only in connection with the promotion of the publicity for the competition and the Trust's charitable work. No fees will be payable for any of the above uses. Entrants whose photographs are one of the finalists also agree to take part in post-competition publicity.

16. By entering, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules and The Parks Trust reserves the right to exclude any entry from the competition at any time and in its absolute discretion if it has reason to believe that an entrant has breached these rules.
17. The Parks Trust reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.
18. If the winner is unable to be contacted after reasonable attempts have been made, The Parks Trust reserves the right to either offer the prize to a runner up or to re-offer the prize in any future competition.