

# 2022 Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Photography Contest Rules

**ENTRY DEADLINE** is 4:00 PM Saturday **July 31st, 2021**

**The photo submission process has changed. Please read carefully.**

- **Eligibility:** Anyone age 15 and older is eligible to participate. Each participant may submit up to a maximum of 5 images.
- **Photo submission requirements:** All photos must be scenes of landscapes, plants, or animals within the boundaries of Heckrodt Wetland Reserve. Photos with people in them will be disqualified. Photos must be obtained following the Reserve's trail rules (**please respect** the wildlife's home - no off-trail photography)
- **No visible copyrights or photographer signatures.** Photos with visible copyright notations or photographer signatures/logos will be disqualified.
- All photos must be in color, LANDSCAPE format and submitted electronically. Photos must be submitted in a **compressed (zipped) folder**. Zip folders compress the size of the photos so they can be successfully emailed without the risk of email failure. When the photo arrives to the Reserve's email we "unzip" the folder and the photos are back to their original size. If you attempt to send photos to the Reserve without using a zip folder, the email service provider may not complete the delivery to the Reserve. **Email** all zip folders containing photo entries directly to Chris Langenfeld at [chrisl@heckrodtnaturecenter.org](mailto:chrisl@heckrodtnaturecenter.org).

## How do I put pictures in a zip folder?

1. Locate the photo(s) or folder of photos that you want to put in the **zip folder**.
  2. **Right-click** on the photo or folder and then select "**Send to**", and then select "**Compressed (zipped) folder**". A new **zipped folder** with the same name containing the picture(s) is created in the same location.
  3. You have now created a file you can email.
  4. If you have a question or need help, please contact Chris Langenfeld at [chrisl@heckrodtnaturecenter.org](mailto:chrisl@heckrodtnaturecenter.org). or call him at 920-720-9349 extension 106.
- Digital files must be a minimum of 300 dpi or 2400 x 3000 in resolution at an 8 x 10 size.
  - A photo contest entry form **must be completed** in its entirety by each contestant and be included in the email when the photos are submitted. All certification boxes on the form **must be checked** or the submission will be **disqualified**. The form can be sent as an electronic document, scanned and attached, or you may include a photo of the form in the email.
  - **Judging:** The photos for the calendar will be judged on the following.
    - Artistic composition (subject, lighting, etc.)
    - Seasonal variety (a wide selection of seasonal photographs are needed)
    - Location of photo (photos from throughout the Reserve are desired)
  - **Awards:** A panel of judges selected by Heckrodt Wetland Reserve will evaluate the photographs. The name of the photographer will be unknown to the judges. A minimum of 14 photos will be selected and included as a featured photo of the month, front cover, or back cover of the calendar. Decision of judges is final. Winning photographers will receive a complimentary calendar when they are printed.

**Heckrodt Wetland Reserve**  
**2022 Calendar Photo Contest Entry Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I am at least 15 years old.

Photo Entry Information – a maximum of five total entries will be accepted. Photos may be of landscapes, animal life, or plants within the boundaries of Heckrodt Wetland Reserve. Please provide the following information:

Photo Number	Date Taken	Approximate Location on the Reserve	Title of Photo (optional)
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

Entering the 2022 Calendar Contest grants the Heckrodt Wetland Reserve the right to reproduce, publish, publicly display, and offer for sale the submitted photographs in print or electronic form for education, fundraising, and promotional purposes without further compensation. Winning photos will include photographer credit on the calendar. Submitted photographs become the property of Heckrodt Wetland Reserve. All other rights to these images will be retained by the photographer.

I understand and agree to the contest rules and conditions and certify that all photo entries were produced by me.

**Consent and Release:**

In consideration for my participation in the photo contest, I, the participant, parent or legal guardian of the participant, agree to protect, defend, reimburse, indemnify and hold Heckrodt Wetland Reserve, Inc. and its agents, designees, employees and board members free and harmless at all times from and against all claims, liability, expenses, losses, costs, fines, damages or causes of action of every kind and character, including attorney's fees and costs, whether at trial of appellate levels or otherwise, arising during, as a result of, or in connection with my participation in the program. I hereby assume the risk of participation in this program and agree to hold Heckrodt Wetland Reserve, Inc. and its agents, designees, employees and board members free and harmless at all times from and against all claims, liability, expenses, losses, costs, fines, damages or causes of action of every kind and character, including attorney's fees and costs, whether at trial of appellate levels or otherwise, due to their acts, errors or omissions resulting in bodily injury, including death, or damage to my property incident to or in connection with my participation in this program.

I accept the conditions stated in the above paragraph.

(all boxes above must be checked, or entry will be disqualified)

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent of Legal Guardian if under 18 years of age: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_