

Tuesday, May 14, 2024.

Y's Men Camera Club Twenty first Annual Photographic Exhibition
Co-sponsored with the Westport Center for Senior Activities

Located at the Westport Center for Senior Activities, 21 Imperial Avenue, Westport
November 15, 2024, through January 2025

Please read these rules carefully. Categories have been changed. A new category for highly manipulated photos has been added.

ELIGIBILITY – Open to Y's Men members, their wives, and Senior Center participants. Photos must be original work of the entrant and not previously shown at a Y's Men Annual Exhibition. Professional photographer entries will be displayed, but not judged. "Professionals" are persons who solicit or promote their photos for sale on an ongoing basis.

MEDIA OR FORMAT – Black and white or color prints, from film or digital images, **including smart phone images.**

PRESENTATION – Prints must be mounted using a 16" X 20" white mat board. The opening in the mat must allow for a 1" minimum border on all four sides. Only one print per each mat is allowed. Standard print sizes for a 16" X 20" mat are 11" X 14", 11" X 15" and 12" X 16". Submitted photos may be any of the three sizes indicated above or other custom sizes. We will accept any size prints mounted on a 16" X 20" mat with any opening subject to the 1" minimum border. No backing is allowed. Mats with 11" X 14" opening will be available for purchase from the Camera Club.

IDENTIFICATION – Clearly print your name, phone number, title of the picture, the year 2024 and the category **on the back of the print** at the top in the center. Put an arrow on the print to indicate the top of the photo. The maximum number of letters and spaces in the title is 50. We are requiring this information on the print itself because mats and prints sometimes get separated. **You can place this information on a label that is attached to the back of the print.**

NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPHS – Maximum of three entries per person.

ENTRY FEE – The entry fee is waived this year.

SUBMISSION OF PHOTOGRAPHS – Submit mounted photographs and completed application to the Camera Club Table at Y's Men meetings from October 24 to November 7, 2024, or to the Senior Center. No entries will be accepted after November 7. You must also email electronic copies of your images to Sal Mollica (smollica2@gmail.com). Each image file must be identified with your last name, first initial, EX21 (for Expo 21), and the entry number of your image, for example, BrownB.EX20003.jpg. The mounted prints will be used in the judging. The digital images may be used in the awards ceremony. **Unmounted prints will not be accepted.**

CLASSIFICATION OF PHOTOGRAPHS – Entrants should classify images into one of the following categories: **Landscape, Waterscape, Architectural, Portrait, Nature, Critter, General, and Highly Manipulated.** The **Portrait** category is intended for human subjects only. The **Critter** category is intended for all animals, birds, insects, and the like. The new **Highly Manipulated** category is for photos that have been edited to look more like art than a depiction of reality. Photos that are composites fit into this category as well. The composites must be of photos taken by the photographer and not an image taken from the internet for example. The Camera Club reserves the right to change the entrant's classification, add or drop a category based upon the number of entries or reject prints that do not meet standards.

JUDGING – Judging will take place November 12, 2024 and will be judged by a panel of three professional artists/photographers. They will consider composition, technique, originality, impact, human interest and **fitness to category** in selecting the winning entries. The photos will be judged based upon the prints submitted, but the JPEG files of the images must also be submitted.

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AWARDS – Best in Show, Best in Category and Second in Category awardees will receive a certificate. Honorable Mention Certificates will be rewarded to the five highest scoring photos of the photographers whose photos did not win either first or second place. Only one Honorable Mention certificate will be awarded to a photographer.

OPENING RECEPTION – Friday, November 15, at 3:00 PM. - The Camera Club and The Center will host a reception for the general public, Senior Center Members, Y's Men and their guests.

NOTE: Although proper care will be exercised, the Camera Club and the Center for Senior Activities cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to prints submitted.

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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM EXPO 21 (2024)

NAME _____ E-MAIL _____

PHONE _____

STREET _____

CITY _____

ZIP _____

NOTE: The maximum number of letters and spaces in the title is 50.

ENTRY 001: CATEGORY _____

TITLE _____

ENTRY 002: CATEGORY _____

TITLE _____

ENTRY 003: CATEGORY _____

TITLE _____

ENTRY 004: CATEGORY _____

TITLE _____