



2024 City of Humboldt Photo Contest Rules and Information

Dates/Submissions

- Submissions will be accepted until July 31, 2024.
- Submissions must be submitted online or via email to zachs@cityofhumboldt.org.
 - A form must be completed for email registrants.
 - The link to submit photos is here: <https://tinyurl.com/HumboldtPhoto>
- All files must be 3 MBs or smaller and in the .jpg, .jpeg or .png formats.
- This contest is open to more than just Humboldt residents. Photos will only be accepted if taken within Humboldt City Limits.
- Submitted photos must be taken by the submitter, and they must own the rights to the photo.
- Submissions will be accepted until July 31, 2024.
- A maximum of 10 photos can be submitted by a participant.

Photo Categories

Natural Spaces, Parks and Wildlife

Explore all Humboldt has to offer from the Des Moines River to the 14 city parks! Humboldt is teeming with natural beauty. How will you capture it?

Active Humboldt

Residents are always on the move in Humboldt. From Rec sports to using the trails, showcase ways in which people stay active in Humboldt!

The Humboldt Experience

What is it like to live in Humboldt? What do people do for fun? Showcase downtown, community events, businesses or organizations that encapsulate what living in Humboldt truly is.

Youth

This category is open to anyone 17 years of age or younger. The pictures can encompass any aspect of the categories above.

General Rules

- Photos may not be entered in multiple categories.
- Photos must be considered appropriate for use in government publications.
- Any photos submitted with professional watermarks or logos will be disqualified.
- Minor digital alterations will be allowed, but any major alterations will disqualify the photo.
- Any use of artificial intelligence will result in a disqualification of the submitted photo.
- Full-time city of Humboldt employees are ineligible to win the contest.

Judging

- A board of judges will select two photographs in each category. Photos will be judged on creativity, composition, technical quality and relevance to the category.
- Winners may be asked to provide full resolution files.

Winning/Prizes

- Winners will be announced Friday, August 9th, 2024.
- A grand prize winner will be selected out of every photo entered.
- Each category will have one photo selected as its winner afterwards.
- The grand prize winner will be ineligible to win its entered category.

Disclaimers

Grant of Rights

Releasor hereby grants to the City of Humboldt, Iowa and its legal representatives, assigns, and licensees, the irrevocable, unrestricted right and permission to use, publish, and republish the submitted photographic images, including but not limited to any negatives, transparencies, prints, or digital reproductions of such images, in whole or in part, individually or in connection with other material, in any and all media now or hereafter known, including but not limited to print, electronic, digital, or internet use.

Releasor Representations

Releasor represents and warrants that (a) Releasor is the sole author of the photographs submitted to the City, (b) Releasor has the full and exclusive right to grant the rights granted in this Agreement, (c) the photographs submitted to the City do not infringe any copyright, trademark, or other proprietary right of any third party, and (d) the photographs submitted to the City do not contain any matter that is defamatory, libelous, or otherwise unlawfully disparaging.

Indemnification

Releasor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Humboldt, Iowa, its legal representatives, assigns, and licensees from any and all claims, damages, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of the use of the photographs in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

Term

- This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto, their legal representatives, assigns, and licensees, and shall inure to the benefit of the licensees, successors and assigns of the City of Humboldt, Iowa.
- This Agreement shall be binding for the entire world and shall be binding upon Releasor and the City.

Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa and the laws of the United States, without giving effect to any principles of conflicts of law.

Entire Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, whether oral or written.

Modification

This Agreement may not be modified or amended except in writing signed by both parties.

Acceptance

By submitting a photograph to the City of Humboldt, Iowa's webpage contest, the Releasor acknowledges that they have read this Photo Release Agreement, understand it and agree to be bound by its terms.

Questions

Direct questions to zachs@cityofhumboldt.org

