CALL FOR ENTRIES
Annual Open Photography Exhibition
Ringwood Manor Association of the Arts – RingwoodManorArts.org
The Barn Gallery at Ringwood Manor State Park
Aug. 21 - Sept. 18, 2026
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2026 Annual Open Photography Exhibition At A Glance

*****The entry deadline for this show is August. 11. If the gallery fills, entries may be closed earlier******

Please thoroughly review the attached call for entries and artwork tags. For 2025, three pieces are allowed.

*Multiple photographs in a single frame will **NOT** be accepted into this show.*

This show requires pre-registration and payment online at: **https://form.jotform.com/241438138140147**
Entries close on August . If the gallery is deemed full, entries may be closed earlier.

Your online registration form will be used to generate the exhibition tags for your photographs. You are responsible for this information, so please ensure it is accurate.

Winners will be notified via email on Aug 17, 2026.

The New Jersey State Park system charges an entry fee to the park. This fee will apply on weekends from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The fee for Ringwood Manor State Park is $5 in-state / $7 out-of-state. If you are 62 or older, a free pass is available at the park office.

If you are coming into the park briefly to drop off/pickup your artwork or are actively volunteering (receiving, gallery sitting, etc.), let the booth attendant know, and the fee will be waived.

To keep the gallery open, we need volunteers to sit. There will be a sign-up sheet at the receiving.

Important Dates

Entry Deadline: Tuesday, August. 11 (or sooner if the gallery fills)

Receiving: August 14 & 15, 12pm - 2pm

Show Opening: Friday, August 21

Opening Reception: Saturday, August 23, 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Show Closing: Friday, Sept. 18, 3pm

Pick-up of Work: Friday, Sept. 18, 3pm-4pm or Saturday, Sept 19, 1pm-4-pm

PLEASE NOTE

Our storage space is limited. Please ensure that you pick up your work from the gallery on one of the pickup days or send someone to do it for you. The RMAA is not responsible for artwork that is not picked up.

Eligibility
This exhibition is open to all professional & amateur photographers. General participants must over 18 years old. RMAA members that are under 18 years old are eligible to enter.

Categories
-Landscape (including cityscapes)
-Nature (wildlife, birds, insects, etc. In the wild or in captivity)
-Floral
-Still Life
-Architecture
-People
-Open (Photographs outside of the above categories, as well as special effects, digital photo creations and effects)

The Show Committee or Hanging Committee may move a photograph to a different category at their discretion based upon subject or to balance the categories for judging. Categories may be eliminated or merged based upon the number of entries. These decisions are final and may occur without prior notice.

Hanging Fee (Up to 3 Pieces)
RMAA Members $**35**
Non-Members **$40**

The hanging fee covers all pieces.
The entry deadline is August 11, 2026 or sooner if the gallery is full.
Make payment online during registration at : **https://form.jotform.com/241438138140147**

Guidelines
- Photos may be film, digital, black & white or color.
- Size limit per-entry is 42 inches on the long side. **Any work larger than this will be declined.**
- Photographs must be properly framed and ready for hanging, complete with wire or hanging support. Prints/boards with taped on wire, string, fishing line, gummed tape hangers or saw tooth hangers will be declined. Any other hanging devices that in the opinion of the hanging committee will not allow proper hanging will be declined.
- Multiple photographs in one frame will be declined.
- NJ State Park regulations prohibit nudity or suggestive themes being accepted.
- DO NOT ENTER WORK THAT HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY HUNG FOR JUDGING IN ANY RMAA SHOW
- Director, Hanging Committee, and Judge decisions are final.
- Tag work with the attached artwork tags.

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Judging will consider: Impact, Technical Excellence, Creativity, Style, Composition, Presentation, Color/Tonal Balance, Center of Interest, Lighting, Subject Matter, Technique, and Story Telling.

Cash Awards
Best in Show - $100
7 Best in Category: $50
2nd & 3rd place in each category are recognized (non-cash).

Winners will be notified via email on the day of the show opening – Aug 21

Volunteering
Volunteers will be needed to sit the gallery and assist with receiving and hanging the show.

There will be a sign-up sheet for sitters on receiving day. Gallery sitting hours are Wed, Sat, Sun, Holidays, and select Fridays, 1pm-4pm.

To assist with hanging/receiving or sitting the show, or for questions please contact John F. Doyle at minoche@mac.com

Liability
All entries will be handled with reasonable care, but neither the RMAA or Ringwood State Park will be responsible for damage or loss. Submitting an entry to this exhibition shall imply agreement with all conditions outlined in this Call for Entries. By entering this exhibition, the entrant agrees that the RMAA may photograph and display their entry for promotional purposes.

Receiving Days
Friday August. 14
Saturday, August. 15, 12pm-2pm
All photographs must be delivered to the RMAA Barn Gallery, Ringwood Manor State Park, 1304 Sloatsburg Road, Ringwood, NJ.

Opening Reception & Awards
An opening reception will be held on Saturday, August 23 from 1:30pm – 3:30pm.
Light refreshments will be available.

Pick-up of Work
Friday, Sept. 18, 3pm-4pm
Saturday, Sept. 19, 1pm-4pm

The RMAA has very limited storage space and is not responsible for work that is not picked up. Please pickup yourself or arrange for someone to pick up for you on one of the above days.
Do not call the park office for any pickup matters.

Gallery Hours
Wed, Sat, Sun, Holidays, and select Fridays, 1pm-4pm (Volunteer depending)

Parking & NJ Senior Citizen Passes
There is a parking fee at this park during weekends, starting on July 1 and running until after Labor Day. If you are coming in, briefly, to only drop off your work, or if you are volunteering for the day to receive the show, let the attendant know and the fee will be waived.
Do not park on the grass. If lot is full, park in upper lot.
Free park passes for NJ residents 62 & over are available at the Park Office.
Handicapped Parking is around & behind the Gallery.

FIRMLY ATTACH ONE TAG TO THE BACK OF EACH ENTRY

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Your Name:_____

Title: _____

Selling Price or NFS & Declared Value:_____

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