






Missouri Division of Tourism 2007 Photography Contest



Show off your photography skills and perhaps win a cash prize!

The Missouri Division of Tourism wants to see the best snapshots of your vacation experience in our state. If your picture is chosen as our grand champion shot, you'll win **\$1,000**.

Send us your photos of:

-  *Wilderness, landscapes and wildlife.*
-  *People enjoying festivals, parades and special events.*
-  *Vacation fun.*
-  *Small-town life and big-city adventure.*
-  *Spring, summer, fall and winter adventures.*

In addition to the \$1,000 grand prize, \$500 will be awarded to the first runner-up, \$250 to the second runner-up and \$100 to the third runner-up.

All photographs submitted, whether cash-prize winners or not, are eligible to appear in the 2008 *Official Missouri Vacation Planner* and other Missouri Tourism publications. All photos become the property of the Missouri Division of Tourism.

To enter, print a copy of the entry form and submit it along with your photograph and necessary releases to the address on the form. All entries must be postmarked by July 27, 2007. You can find the form and releases, and check all contest rules at www.VisitMO.com.

Missouri Division of Tourism Photography Contest Rules

Contest Rules, Terms and Conditions

1. The 2007 photography contest is open to United States residents who are 18 years of age or older. No purchase is necessary to enter. Winners may be required to provide proof of age.
2. The contest will run between December 18, 2006, and July 27, 2007. **All photographs, entry forms and releases must be post-marked by Friday, July 27, 2007.** Late entries will be disqualified.
3. A completed contest entry form must accompany each photograph. Entries must be signed and dated. Only entry forms with complete, accurate and legible information will be considered eligible. Photographers may enter more than one image.
4. **Photographs must be taken in Missouri.**
5. Photographs must be previously unpublished. Photographs that have been published in any form prior to entry into the contest will be disqualified.
6. All photographs, prints or slides, must be in sharp focus. Prints must be at least the size of a standard snapshot (3 1/2 inches-by-5 inches) or larger and be printed on **photographic paper**. Slides must be mounted. Images printed on ink jet paper will not be accepted. No email submissions.
7. All **digital images** must be accompanied with a high resolution print on **photographic paper** at least the size of a standard snapshot (3 1/2 inches-by-5 inches) **and a CD** with the high-resolution digital file sized at at least 5 inches x 7 inches at 300 dpi. Only one image per CD. **Digital manipulations will be disqualified.** No e-mail submissions. Images printed on ink jet paper will not be accepted.
8. Damaged photographs will not be accepted. Prints and slides cannot be stapled. Prints cannot be folded. Neither the back nor the front of the photograph should be written upon. Camera-imprinted data is not acceptable on the front of prints or anywhere on slides. Tape must not be attached to the front of the photograph. Any violation of this provision will result in disqualification of the entry.
9. Stickers identifying the photograph should be placed on the back of the photograph or slide, and should note the location, event and other pertinent information.
10. Each photograph that includes **identifiable subjects** (people) must be accompanied by a **separate, signed release** from **EACH** identifiable subject in the photograph. Releases that cannot be verified for authenticity by the Missouri Division of Tourism, for any reason (including missing, incorrect or incomplete contact information on the release form) will result in the disqualification of the entry.
11. The Missouri Division of Tourism, the Missouri Department of Economic Development and the Tourism Commission or their agents or assigns are not responsible for late, lost, damaged, destroyed or misdirected entries, or for miscommunications, misdirected transmissions, or other errors of any kind whether human, mechanical or electronic.
12. All entries become the exclusive property of the Missouri Division of Tourism and **will not be returned** to the photographer. The Missouri Division of Tourism reserves the right to use the photographs in printed materials promoting Missouri tourism without paying compensation to the photographer or the subjects.
13. Prizes will be awarded only to entries that the contest judges deem worthy. Some prizes may not be awarded if no acceptable entries are received. All decisions by the judges are final.
14. Any taxes or additional expenses associated with the awarded prizes are the responsibility of the winner.
15. Winners will be notified prior to posting on the Missouri Division of Tourism's Web site, www.VisitMO.com.
16. This contest is void wherever restricted or prohibited by state or local laws.
17. Employees and family members of the Missouri Division of Tourism, the Missouri Department of Economic Development, the Tourism Commission and agencies employed by the Missouri Division of Tourism are prohibited from participating in this contest.
18. Contest entrants agree to abide by the terms of these Official Rules and by the decisions of the judging organization, which are final on all matters pertaining to contests. The return of any prize/prize notification as undeliverable may result in disqualification and selection of an alternate winner. Entrants grant to the Missouri Division of Tourism the right to use and publish their proper name and state of residence online, in print or any other media format, in connection with the photography contest.
19. By entering, participants release and hold harmless the Missouri Division of Tourism, the Missouri Department of Economic Development, the Tourism Commission, and agencies employed by the Missouri Division of Tourism, as well as any directors, officers or employees of these organizations from any and all liability for any injuries, loss or damage of any kind arising from or in connection with the contest.
20. If for any reason the contest is not capable of being conducted as planned, including any causes beyond the control of the administrators of the contest, the Missouri Division of Tourism reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel, modify, suspend or terminate the contest without notice to the entrants.
21. Entry into the photography contest does not create any vested right or interest for the participants in the prizes offered for the contest.
22. Send entries to: **Photography Contest**
Missouri Division of Tourism
P.O. Box 1055
Jefferson City, MO 65102-1055



Missouri Division of Tourism Photography Contest Entry Form

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Only one image per entry. All entries must be submitted as a print or slide. All digital images must be accompanied with a high resolution print and a CD with the high-resolution digital file sized at at least 5 inches x 7 inches at 300 dpi. Only one image per CD.

Photographer's Name _____ Day Phone (_____) _____ Evening Phone (____) _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Location of Photograph _____ Date Photograph Was Taken _____

Description of Photograph _____

Does this photograph include identifiable subjects? (Could they identify themselves if they viewed the image?)

If yes, please fill out release form below.

YES NO

Have you submitted a **signed release** for **EACH** identifiable subject in the Image?

YES NO

I confirm that I own all rights, including copyright, to the enclosed photograph and that I have read and agree to all the rules of the contest, including the Missouri Division of Tourism's exclusive right to the use and publication of the photograph submitted with this entry without payment of compensation to myself or any of the subjects of the submitted photograph.

(Signature of Photographer)



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A **signed release** must be provided with **EACH** entry for each individual within a photograph who is identifiable.

The Missouri Division of Tourism must be able to **CONTACT EACH PERSON NAMED** in the releases to verify their consent before photographs will be considered for use.

Missouri Division of Tourism Publication/Media Release

I, the undersigned, do hereby grant permission to the Missouri Division of Tourism, and any other public or private agency authorized by the Missouri Division of Tourism, the use of, and rights associated to the use of my photographic likeness, in promotional publications, and other media, without compensation.

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Identifiable Subject's Name _____ Phone (____) _____

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