

# unearth Amateur Photography Contest Entry Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Division:** (check one)

- Adults (15 years & older)  
Total # of Photos (max 6) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Junior (14 years & younger)  
Total # of Photos (max 3) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Categories entered:** (check appropriate category)

Title of Photograph	General Nature	Human Nature	Black & White	Digital Creativity

**Make Check payable to: Saluda Shoals Foundation**

I have read and understand the contest rules and regulations. The submission of my photograph(s), along with my signature below, indicates my acceptance of all rules, regulations, and releases associated with the *unearth Amateur Photography Contest*.

**Questions?** Please contact Julie Edmond at (803) 213-2050 or jedmond@icrc.net or Heather Hayes at (803) 213-2052 hhayes@icrc.net for clarification of rules.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

A Photograph Identification Form must be securely attached to the lower right corner on the back of each entry. If necessary, please make additional copies of this form.

**Photograph Identification**

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Division: (Check One) Adult Junior

Category (Check One)

- General Nature Human Nature
- Black & White Digital Creativity

**Photograph Identification**

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Division: (Check One) Adult Junior

Category (Check One)

- General Nature Human Nature
- Black & White Digital Creativity

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Division: (Check One) Adult Junior

Category (Check One)

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Amateur photographers are invited to enter their best color and black & white prints in the *unearth Amateur Photography Contest*. The purpose of this contest is to capture and display the beauty of nature found at Saluda Shoals Park through photographs. Cash prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each category.

**Entries Accepted:** September 1–18, 2009

Entry forms and fee(s) may be hand delivered to the Environmental Education Center from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. daily or mailed to:  
Saluda Shoals Foundation  
5605 Bush River Road  
Columbia, SC 29212

**Entry Deadline:** 5:00 P.M., September 18, 2009. Entry forms and fee(s) must accompany entries.

**Entry Fee:** \$5 per print for adults, \$3 per print for juniors (ages 14 and under). Cash or check only.

**Make checks payable to:** Saluda Shoals Foundation

**Divisions:** Adult and Junior (ages 14 and younger).

**Categories: *Photographs must be taken at Saluda Shoals Park!***

- 1. General Nature:** Color photographs of animals, plants, or natural landscapes in Saluda Shoals Park.
- 2. Human Nature:** Color photographs should depict a person or persons in the natural environment within Saluda Shoals Park. The human element should be accented.
- 3. Black & White:** For all black & white photos the subject matter can be general nature or human nature within Saluda Shoals Park.
- 4. Digital Creativity:** Images (color/black & white) that have been scanned and digitally altered. Examples of post-processing enhancement or manipulations include: added or removed elements; painting; combining or rearranging images; and/or cloning elements. Subject matter can depict any of the categories listed above, within Saluda Shoals Park.

**Submissions:** Adults may submit a maximum of six (6) photographs. Juniors (14 years and under) may enter a maximum of three (3) photographs. No more than two (2) photographs may be submitted by anyone in a single category.

**Winning Photographs:** All winners are determined by the Juried Panel. Cash prizes will be awarded in each of the four (4) categories as follows:

Award	Adult Division	Junior Division
1st place	\$50	\$30
2nd place	\$30	\$20
3rd place	\$20	\$10

**Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony:**

Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at 6:00 P.M.  
Environmental Education Center at Saluda Shoals Park.

**Contest Exhibit:** All qualifying entries will be on display October 1–4, 2009. Contestants must pick up entries October 5–9, 2009.

## Contest Rules and Regulations

- Contest is open to amateur photographers only. A professional is defined as one whose primary source of income (50% or more) results from his/her photographic work.
- Photographic images must be a minimum of 5x7 inches and may not exceed 11x16 inches. Collages are to be placed in the Digital Creativity category.
- Photographs must be individually matted with a single white mat; no double matting. Photos cannot be framed, and the photographers name cannot appear on the front. Failure to comply with these rules will cause photos to be disqualified.
- A *Photograph Identification Form* must be securely attached to the lower right corner on the back of each entry. Additionally, the contestants name, address and phone number should be clearly printed directly on the back of each entry. Contestants must submit a completed entry form with entry fee(s) and photograph(s).
- Photographs will be judged on depiction of category, overall impact, technical excellence, composition, originality and artistic merit. The judge's decisions are final.
- The *unearth Amateur Photography Contest* Committee reserves the right to combine categories in the event of insufficient entries in order to preserve the integrity of the contest.
- The Saluda Shoals Foundation and Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission reserve the right to request a digital copy of any photographs.

8. All photographs must remain on exhibit at the Environmental Education Center at Saluda Shoals Park, 5605 Bush River Road, Columbia, through October 5, 2009. Contestants must pick up their entries October 5–9, 2009, between 9 A.M. –5 P.M. daily. The Saluda Shoals Foundation and the Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission are not responsible for any photographs not picked up by October 9, 2009.

9. The *unearth Amateur Photography Contest* Committee reserves the right not to display any photograph deemed to be of insufficient quality, not properly mounted, or which does not meet the requirements listed above. Furthermore, the Committee has the right and authority to reject any photographs that may seem objectionable to participants and/or visitors.

10. Photographers are responsible for securing model releases from person(s) appearing in his/her photo(s). A sample form is available at [www.unearthsaluda.org](http://www.unearthsaluda.org).

11. All reasonable caution will be exercised with photographs; however, the Saluda Shoals Foundation and Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission are not responsible for any damage or loss that may occur.

### How to enter:

- Read all contest rules carefully.
- Type or clearly print in ink the Photo Contest Entry Form(s).
- Secure a "Photo Identification Form" to the lower right corner on the back of each entry.
- Entry fee(s) may be paid by check or cash made payable to: Saluda Shoals Foundation.
- Photographs will be accepted September 1–18, 2009.
- Photographs must be received by 5:00 P.M., September 18, 2009.
- Submit properly identified photograph(s), completed entry form and entry fee(s) in person to: Environmental Education Center from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. daily or mailed to: Saluda Shoals Foundation, 5605 Bush River Road, Columbia, SC 29212.

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*The unearth Amateur Photography Contest is a part of unearth, a celebration of naturally inspired art and brought to you by the Saluda Shoals Foundation and the Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission.*