

Rules for 2024 Bandon Amateur & Professional Photography Scenery Contest:

- 1. Eligibility: The contest is open to amateur and professional photographers of all ages within the Bandon area/community.
- 2. Theme: The **theme of the contest is "Bandon Area Scenic Beauty,"** focusing on capturing the natural beauty of landscapes, seascapes, mountains, forests, etc. If you find that perfect shot with people and/or animals in it, submit it! We love it all!
- 3. Submission Guidelines: Each participant can submit up to four photographs. All entries must be original and taken by the participant. Photos must be in digital format (JPEG or PNG) and of high resolution. The Chamber allows minor adjustments such as cropping, brightness, and contrast, but we do not permit heavy digital manipulation (e.g., adding or removing elements or the use of AI).
- 4. Submission Deadline: You must submit your entry by April 30, 2024.
- 5. How to Submit: Participants must email their entries to info@bandon.com with the subject line "Scenery Photography Contest Submission."
- 6. Judging Criteria: Judges will judge entries based on creativity, composition, technical quality, and adherence to the theme.
- 7. Judging Panel: The judging panel will consist of three members, including photography enthusiasts and professionals.
- 8. Winner Selection: The judges will select 1st and 2nd place winners, and may also contract with additional entrants for individual use of one or more entries. The winners must supply the Bandon Chamber with the images on a USB device that the Chamber will be retain.
- 9. Prizes: The Chamber will award prizes to the winners. First place \$300 and Second place \$200, payable in Chamber Cash (which is good at over 50 businesses in Bandon). The Chamber will compensate additional selected photos a minimum of \$50 Chamber Cash per image.
- 10. Public Display: The Chamber may display winning entries in a community exhibition or publish them on the Bandon Chamber website or social media pages, with proper credit given to the photographer.
- 11. Rights: Participants will grant the copyright of their photographs to the Bandon Chamber and the right to use their images for promotional purposes related to the contest.
- 12. Code of Conduct: The Chamber expects participants to adhere to ethical standards in photography, and respect the environment and rights of individuals depicted in their photos.
- 13. Disqualification: The Chamber will disqualify entries that do not comply with the rules or contain inappropriate content.