

Catch a Moment... and Photograph It!

Defiance Area Photography Contest

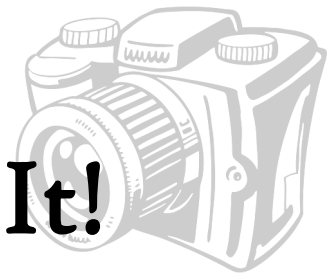


Photo Eligibility

We are looking for photos to depict all aspects of what the Defiance area has to offer. All photos must have been taken within the Defiance area within the last two years. Suggestions of photos of interest to the judging panel are as follows, but not limited to:

- #DineDefiance
 - Favorite Restaurants
 - Eating in the Parks
 - Enjoying a variety of foods at Community Events
- #ShopDefiance
 - Favorite Retail location (inside and out)
 - Images of downtown Defiance, downtown Ney, downtown Sherwood and Downtown Hicksville
- #PlayDefiance
 - Musical performances
 - Community events
 - Park activities, school functions, etc.
- #ViewDefiance
 - Scenic photos
 - What makes you call Defiance, “A Great Place to Live”



Photo Credit: Michelle Gonzalez, 2020 Winner

Who Can Enter

The 2021 Defiance Development and Visitors Bureau (DDVB) “Catch a Moment...and Photograph It!” contest is open to all amateur photographers. The operational team of the DDVB and their immediate family are excluded from participating.

Photographer/Copyright

Entries must be submitted by the original photographer. You must be the sole owner of the copyright of any image submitted. Your submission of the photo is your guarantee that you are the author and copyright holder of the photo.

Ownership/Use Rights

Photographers retain the copyright to their photographs. By entering the contest, photographers agree to have their submitted photograph displayed on the DDVB website without any fee or other form of compensation, and agree that the DDVB may display winning photos on their website, and may retain copies of the photograph for archival purposes. Photos may be credited to the photographer named in the entry process. Entries (including non-winning entries) may be selected for display or use in other DDVB web pages and promotional materials. Entries will never be used by the DDVB in matter of sale. Entrants retain ownership and all other rights to future use of their photographs.

Number of Entries

An individual may submit up to ten (10) photographs. Entries may be entered by uploading digital files. All photos must be entered by April 12, 2021.

Photo Subject Restrictions

Photos must be appropriate for posting on a public website or within publications. Obscene, provocative or otherwise questionable content will not be considered. The DDVB retains sole discretion as to what constitutes inappropriate content.

Image File Requirements

Photographs must be submitted in digital format. All digital files may not exceed four megabytes (4 MB), in jpg format and 300 dpi or higher. Images must be an accurate reflection of the subject matter and scene as it appeared, without alteration (other than standard optimization, including removal of dust, cropping, adjustments to color and contrast).

NOTE: Hard copy print, slide or negative submissions will not be accepted and will not be returned.

The DDVB cannot be responsible for lost, damaged, late or faulty uploading connections, garbled transmissions, unauthorized intervention, or technical malfunctions.

How to Enter

Each photo entered must be submitted by separate emails.

Digital photos submitted to Marketing@VisitDefianceOhio.com in the following format;

Last Name, First Name, image number (example: SmithJohn01.jpg)

Along with the following information in the body of the email:

- First Name, Last Name
- Mailing Address
- Email Address and Phone Number
- Information About Your Photograph
 - Title
 - Date Taken
 - Location of photograph taken
 - Description of photo

Judging

Judges will include professional photographers and the contest committee. Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, photographic quality and effectiveness in conveying the beauty and/or character of Defiance. Decisions made by the judges are final.

Winners

Judges and the contest committee will choose 10 photographs that will be displayed at the 2021 Lilac Festival. Each photograph will then be voted on by the community. There will be a Grand Prize winner and three (3) 1st Prize Winners. The Grand Prize winner will be the photograph that receives the most votes at the conclusion of the Lilac Festival (4:00 pm on May 8th, 2021), and they will win a \$100 Downtown Defiance Gift Certificate. The photograph will be featured in a major spot in a Defiance publication. The next 3 (three) photographs that have the most votes will receive a \$25 Downtown Defiance Gift Certificate, and the photograph will be used as a postcard of Defiance.

Legal Conditions

By submitting your entry by email, you agree you have read and fully understand the contest rules and you declare you are the author and sole owner of the photograph submitted. Entry of photographs into this contest implies acceptance of these conditions, regardless of whether entrants sign a statement confirming acceptance.

For questions regarding the 2021 photo contest, please contact Kirstie or Lori at the DDVB Office by calling 419-782-0739. Email questions can be sent to Lori at Marketing@VisitDefianceOhio.com