

## **Environmental Concern's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Shutterbug Classic** **August 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 7:30**

### **Entry Rules:**

#### **Photo Formats**

Entries may be color or black and white images. Entries must be 8x10, unframed images.

#### **Photographer/Copyright**

Entries must be submitted by the original photographer. Do not submit a photo taken by someone other than yourself. You must be the sole owner of the copyright of any image submitted. Your submission of the photo and entry form is your guarantee that you are the author and copyright holder of the photo.

#### **Number of Entries**

An individual may submit up to two photos.

#### **Fee for Entries**

There is a \$10.00 fee for each entry submitted.  
All proceeds benefit EC's Wetland Learning Center, a public non-profit 501(c)3 Corporation.

#### **Classes**

Two classes: Adult and Junior (18 & under).

#### **Photo Subject Restrictions**

Photos must be appropriate for posting in public. Questionable content will not be considered.

#### **Return of Photos**

Photos will not be returned. Please do not enter your only copy of a photo.

#### **Ownership/Use Rights**

Photographers retain the copyright to their photographs. By entering the contest, photographers agree to have their submitted photograph displayed on Environmental Concern's website without any fee or other form of compensation, and agree that Environmental Concern may display winning photos in a "past winners" photo gallery may retain copies of the photograph for archival purposes. Photos will be credited to the photographer named in the entry form. Entries may be selected for display or use in other Environmental Concern publications, with permission from the photographer. Entrants agree that Environmental Concern may contact them to obtain permission for use of photos in this way. Entries will never be used by Environmental Concern in any manner for advertising or sale. In the event that ownership of any photograph submitted to Environmental Concern is contested in any manner, Environmental Concern retains the discretion to disqualify that photograph and discontinue use of the photograph.

#### **How to Enter**

Prints may be mailed along with completed entry forms to Environmental Concern (see further instructions below). Each entry must be accompanied by a completed contest entry form. If you are submitting multiple entries, be sure to indicate clearly which form belongs with each photo.

#### **Judging**

Entries will be judged on the basis of creativity, photographic quality, and effectiveness in conveying the beauty and/or unique character of the Chesapeake Bay's natural resources. The photos will be judged by a local panel of judges. The entries and all contest decisions are final. Entries that fail to comply with the Official Contest Rules will be disqualified.

## **Winners**

Judges will select a first, second, and third place winning photo for each of the contest categories (adult and junior). In addition, one or more honorable mention winners may be selected. Winners will be announced at the Shutterbug Classic. Winning photographs, along with the photographer's name, and information about the photo, will be displayed on the Environmental Concern website during the months of *September, October, November & December, 2008*. A cash prize will be awarded to the winners.

## **Image Modifications:**

Minor digital enhancement is permitted, but images that have been significantly modified or appear unnatural will be disqualified.

Not Permitted:

- No borders or frames may be added to images.
- No watermarks, signatures, or copyright notices may be added to images. All winning images will be displayed with the photographer's name.
- Adding or replacing elements in an image is not permitted.
- Artistic filters are not permitted.

## **Submitting Prints**

*Prints* must be 8 x 10 inches. Do not send negatives. Attach a label to the back of each print with your name and address. Do not write on the photo itself. If submitting multiple entries, number each print to match a corresponding entry form. Prints will not be returned.

Mail print along with entry form to:

Environmental Concern  
Shutterbug Classic  
PO Box P  
St. Michaels, MD 21663

or

Drop print off at the offices of Environmental Concern at 201 Boundary Lane, St. Michaels. (Boundary Lane is near Higgins and Spencer furniture store)

## **Additional Terms and Conditions**

Environmental Concern is not responsible for: (i) lost, misdirected, misplaced, illegible, unintelligible, incomplete, or late entries or (ii) any act, failure to act, or delay regarding the transmitting or processing of entries.

Environmental Concern is entitled to interpret these rules as needed and its decisions are final. Environmental Concern reserves the right to disqualify any entrant that Environmental Concern has reason to believe is not the original work of entrant, or does not otherwise meet the contest rules. If a winner is disqualified or determined to be ineligible, an alternate winner will be selected using the same judging process/criteria described above. Alternate winners are subject to all requirements set forth in these Official Rules.

By participating in the contest, you agree to release and hold harmless Environmental Concern and its employees, officers, affiliates, agents, and advertising and promotional agencies from any and all damages, injuries, claims, causes of actions, or losses of any kind resulting from your participation in this contest, including infringement of intellectual property rights. Environmental Concern and its employees, officers, affiliates, agents, and advertising and promotional agencies assume no responsibility or liability for any damages, injuries, claims, causes of actions, or losses of any kind arising in whole or in part from this contest.

# Submission Form

Print this form, complete, sign at the bottom, and mail with your entries to: Environmental Concern, PO Box P, St. Michaels, MD 21663. You may also drop the entry off at our main office at 201 Boundary Lane, St. Michaels, MD 21663. Submit a separate entry form with each photo.

All fields in the entry form must be completed. Contact information will be used solely for contacting contest winners or contacting photographers for permission to use photos elsewhere.

**Photographer's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address**

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Photo Information**

Date Photo Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Photo: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contest Category  
(Adult or Junior) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_