

RULES FOR THE 2009 PHOTO CONTEST SPONSORED BY
THE MADISON LAND CONSERVATION TRUST, INC. [LAND TRUST]

1. The Contest is open only to amateur photographers (defined as someone whose principal source of income is not derived from the sale of photographs or photography services). There is no fee to enter this contest.
2. The photographs must be taken in or of Madison Land Conservation Trust property in Madison. Photos of pets are ineligible.
3. Photographs must be submitted (postmarked) no later than August 1, 2009. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in each of the following categories: Landscapes/Waterscapes, Plants, Wildlife, and Cultural/Historic. There will be an additional category for entrants under age 15. You may enter no more than one photograph per category. Prizes will be awarded at the Madison Land Conservation Trust Annual Meeting in November 2009.
4. All photographs submitted must be at least 8 X 10 inches in size. It must be **mounted** and **unsigned**. Please do not frame the photograph. The photos may be in color or black & white using film or digital cameras. All digital images must be submitted as prints. A separate **Entry Form** must be completed for each photo submitted agreeing to the rules of the contest and mailed with each photograph to **Madison Land Conservation Trusts Photo Contest, P.O. Box 561 Madison, CT 06443**. Photos may also be dropped off at the Senior Center at the Depot between 9am and 4pm, Monday through Friday (9 Old Route 79, Madison, CT 06443). Winning photographers are required to submit digital copies of their images for newspaper releases, etc.
5. Please note that although we will make every effort to provide an opportunity for entrants to retrieve their photographs after the contest, photographs may not be returned and will become the property of the LAND TRUST. Although you retain the copyright over the image, you grant the LAND TRUST a royalty-free right to use, display and reproduce the image(s) for purposes of possible publication in all media including news media, websites and for exhibitions, fund raising and possibly a calendar. Such items may be sold or given away by the LAND TRUST. Every attempt will be made to credit the photographer where reasonably possible.
6. All prints are submitted at the photographer's own risk. The LAND TRUST cannot accept responsibility for any loss of or damage to any entries, whether this occurs in transit or while in the possession of the LAND TRUST, although every care will be taken.
7. By submitting a photograph for consideration, you warrant and represent that the photograph you submit is your own original work and that you alone own the copyright to it. It is the legal responsibility of the entrant, and not the LAND TRUST, to ensure that the entrant complies with these ownership and copyright requirements and can provide to the LAND TRUST the right of reproduction without violating the rights of any third party. Entrants who do not fulfill these criteria will be deemed ineligible and disqualified.

8. All judges will be appointed by the LAND TRUST and their decisions will be final. The LAND TRUST and judges reserve the right not to award certain prizes if the entries are deemed to be of inadequate quality or to change the prize dollar amounts or categories due to unforeseen circumstances.
9. Members of the LAND TRUST Board of Directors and their families may not participate in the contest.
10. All photographs must be taken within the last year.