



2022 Annual Photography Contest Rules

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: Submitted by July 15, 2022

Judging will be completed by August 10, 2022

Winners will be announced on August 24, 2022

The Friends of the Big Bear Alpine Zoo invite photographers to enter the 2022 Calendar Contest. Entries will be judged on technical quality, originality, and artistic merit. You may enter a TOTAL of ten (10) images for your entry fee of \$20. The contest judges' decision will be final.

All photo contestants will receive **one (1) free copy** of the 2023 calendar. Additional calendars may be purchased at the Big Bear Alpine Zoo gift shop. Judges will select one photo as the Grand Prize Winner. That winner will receive a canvas print of his/her photo, and will receive a one (1)-year individual membership to the Big Bear Alpine Zoo.

The Big Bear Alpine Zoo will open early 9 am on June **18th** and June **24th** to registered contestants. Throughout the day, animals will be presented by Zoo Staff. Regular zoo admission fees will apply.

Each submission MUST follow these guidelines:

- 1) Photos must be taken at the Big Bear Alpine Zoo between June **18th** and **24th**. Photos may include animals, people (see *NOTE), and/or Big Bear Alpine Zoo scenes. **NOTE: All photographs submitted to the Contest which contain persons (especially children 18 years of age or younger), except for Zoo Staff, must include a Model Release signed by that person (or guardian) in the photo. Please use the attached Model Release form if you don't already have one.*
- 2) Cameras may be traditional cameras or Smart Phones. The four Photography Categories in which a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd-place winner will be selected are:
 - Professional—May have won previous contests; may earn a living as a photographer
 - Intermediate—Some experience, but not a professional
 - Amateur—Little or no experience in photography
 - Youth—Under 18 years of age.
- 3) Digital images should be taken with the camera set for highest possible resolution. Photographs MUST be submitted to Friends of the Big Bear Alpine Zoo (P.O. Box 1988, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315) by mail on an External thumb drive or Flash disk. All files MUST be clearly labeled with your full name, address, phone number, and submission category and photograph number. Please ensure entries arrive on or before deadline date of July 15th 2022.

EXAMPLE: Amateur—JohnDoe—1.jpg; and Amateur—JohnDoe—2.jpg
- 4) You may make minor adjustments to your photo, including sharpening, contrast, toning, *slight* color adjustment, and conversion to grayscale. The addition and/or subtraction of objects and/or people is *not* permitted. If the judges determine a photograph has been altered, the judges reserve the right to disqualify said photograph.
- 5) Do not place watermarks on any image, or alter any of the metadata embedded in the image.
- 6) Please make sure that **all photos should be high resolution greater than 2MB in size, 50MB max, in JPG format only!**
- 7) Please be sure ALL forms and photographs are submitted by July 15th 2022.

QUESTIONS: Call the FOBBAZ office at 909.878.4200 or

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