



2010 “TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT” PHOTO CONTEST

The City of Swift Current is inviting you to submit your best photos for a chance to win some great prizes and an opportunity to showcase your photographic ability.

Three prizes will be awarded in each category with a \$200.00 (value for 1st). One prize will be awarded to the overall photo contest winner (\$750.00 value). Details of prizes and categories are on the next page.

We are accepting submissions that are digital and of high quality (minimum of 5 megapixels). You may enter as often as you wish. The deadline to submit photos is December 3, 2010. Judging will take place during the week of December 6 to 10, 2010, with the winners being announced the following week.

All photos entered into the photo contest may appear on the City of Swift Current and Tourism Swift Current websites. Photos may also appear in other City of Swift Current or Tourism Swift Current productions (i.e.: pamphlets, guides, reports, videos etc.).

Categories

1. Swift Current in Season
2. A Piece of History
3. City Facilities/Parks/Operations
4. The Nature of Our City
5. Where Life Make Sense
6. Swift Current and Area

**“TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT”
2010 PHOTO CONTEST PRIZE LIST
GRAND PRIZE: \$750**

•Swift Current in Season

Beautiful pictures of our community in all of the seasons

1st- \$200.00

2nd- \$100.00 for 1st in each season (4 prizes)

3rd- Swift Current Polo or Long Sleeve Shirt

• A Piece of History

Pictures of history alive in Swift Current

1st- \$200.00

2nd- \$100.00

3rd- Swift Current Polo or Long Sleeve Shirt

• City Facilities/Parks/Operations

Photos of facilities, parks and operations

1st- 4 18 Hole Green Fee Passes and 2 Cart Passes – Chinook Golf Course

2nd- \$100.00

3rd- Swift Current Polo or Long Sleeve Shirt

• The Nature of our City

Wildlife shots in and around Swift Current

1st- \$200.00

2nd- \$100.00

3rd- Swift Current Polo or Long Sleeve Shirt

• Where Life Makes Sense

Pictures of Swift Currentites enjoying everyday life and activities in Swift Current

1st- \$200.00

2nd- \$100.00

3rd- Swift Current Polo or Long Sleeve Shirt

•Swift Current and Area

Send us a photo of your favourite events, scenery or attractions in the area

1st- \$200.00

2nd- \$100.00

3rd- Swift Current Polo or Long Sleeve Shirt

Official Contest Rules

How to Enter

Photos must be taken from the Swift Current Region. All Photos must be submitted in their natural colour.

How Many Pictures Can I submit?

Each contestant may enter as often as they wish.

Who Can Enter?

This contest is open for everyone to enter.

Does it cost anything to enter the contest?

No, there is no cost to enter into the contest.

When is the deadline to enter?

The deadline to enter into the contest is December 3rd, (midnight), 2010.

What if someone is in my Picture?

This depends on what the photo is meant to depict. If the photo is of a crowd (not of a particular person or couple of people in a crowd) then permission is not practical or necessary. If the photo is of 1 or 2 or even a few identifiable people then permission will be needed. Make sure that you have their consent by filling out a consent form with a corresponding entry form.

How Do I Submit Prints?

Quality of print must be a minimum of 5 megapixels.

E-mail photographs to Tim Marcus, City of Swift Current, t.marcus@swiftcurrent.ca (only digital photographs qualify). Photographs may be sent via mail or dropped off at city hall on a electronic medium at City of Swift Current, 177 1st Avenue N.E., Swift Current, Saskatchewan S9H 2B1c/o Tim Marcus.

All photos submitted must be accompanied with a signed release form, a consent form if deemed necessary and the entry form providing details on the entry and the category to be considered in. They may be submitted electronically to t.marcus@swiftcurrent.ca . By fax (306) 778 2194. You may also mail or drop off forms at Swift Current City Hall: City of Swift Current, 177 1st Avenue N.E., Swift Current, Saskatchewan S9H 2B1c/o Tim Marcus.

NO DIGITAL MANIPULATION

This contest is about photography, not about one's expertise with a computer. This does not apply to photographic techniques contained within a camera's abilities (i.e. a manual shutter release used at night to capture fireworks or moving traffic). Nor does it apply to CROPPING or RESIZING an image.

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.

Ownership/Use Rights

Photographers retain the copyright to their photographs. By entering the contest, photographers agree to have their submitted photograph used in any and all publications, including website use, without any payment or any other consideration in perpetuity by the City of Swift Current and Tourism Swift Current. Photographers understand and agree their submitted photograph(s) become the property of the city of Swift Current and Tourism Swift Current. Photos will be credited to the photographer named in the entry form. Entries will never be used by the City of Swift Current or Tourism Swift Current for sale. In the event that ownership of any photograph submitted for the contest is contested in any manner, the Municipality retains the discretion to disqualify that photograph and discontinue use of the photograph.

Judging

Entries will be judged by quality of image, uniqueness / creativity and the subject matter (how the photo best represents the category it is entered in) as well as opinions expressed by the judges for whatever reason. Judges are as follows: Shann Gowan – Graphic Artist

Kim Houghtaling – Director and Curator Swift Current Art Gallery

Tim Marcus – City of Swift Current

Questions:

Any questions on can be directed to:

Tim Marcus
Finance Director
City of Swift Current
(306) 778-2723
t.marcus@shaw.ca

Additional Terms and Conditions

The City of Swift Current is not responsible for computer system, hardware, software, or program malfunctions or other errors, failures, or delayed computer transactions or network connections that are human or technical in nature. Furthermore, the City of Swift Current 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. The City of Swift Current reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or suspend all or any portion of this contest without notice if factors beyond municipality's control disrupt or corrupt the fair or secure administration or operation of the contest. The City of Swift Current is entitled to interpret these rules as needed and its decisions are final. The City of Swift Current reserves the right to disqualify any entrant that it 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 the City of Swift Current 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. The City of Swift Current 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.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORMS FOR CITY OF SWIFT CURRENT
PHOTO CONTEST 2010

Your photo will not qualify without this signed release form:

I, _____, hereby grant the City of Swift Current and Tourism Swift current permission to use images I have photographed in any and all publications, including website and video use, without payments or any other consideration in perpetuity. The submitted photographs are my own.

I understand and agree my submitted photograph(s) will become the property of the City of Swift Current and Tourism Swift Current.

Printed Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Signature of Photographer

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if photographer is under 18) Date

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian (if photographer is under 18)

Consent Form

Any person included a photograph other than a crowd photo submitted to the 2010 "Take Your Best Shot" Photo Contest must complete and sign this consent form.

This form confirms participation of the person in the photograph to be included in the photo contest.

Grant of Rights:

The person in the photograph hereby grants the City of Swift Current and Tourism Swift Current permission to use images in any and all publications including website and video use, without payment or any consideration in perpetuity.

I understand and agree my submitted photograph(s) will become the property of the City of Swift Current and Tourism Swift Current.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____

Signature Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if person photographed is under 18) Date

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian (if person photographed is under 18) Date

(If more than one person, make duplicates of this form)

About Your Photo

Photo Title: _____

Photo Contest Category: _____

Where and when was your photo taken? _____

Brief Description (50 words maximum):

(IF submitting more than one photo, please make duplicates of this form)