



MARKS HALL GARDENS AND ARBORETUM PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

COMPETITION RULES

1. The competition is open to amateur photographers only.
2. All photographs must be taken at Marks Hall, either within the Gardens and Arboretum or from one of the woodland walks, during the months May to August 2010.
3. The competition is open for entries from May 1st 2010. The closing date is August 31st 2010.

4. Entry Fees

Entry to the competition is subject to payment of entry fees.

- i) The entry fee is £2 **per category**
- ii) Entrants may enter one photograph into each category (i.e. a maximum of 3 photographs in total)
- iii) Payment of entry fees shall be by cheque made payable to Marks Hall Enterprises or cash if paid at the Visitor Centre.

5. Age Groups

There are two age groups to the competition

- i) 16 and under
- ii) Over 16

6. Categories

The categories of the competition are:

- i) Flora and Fauna
- ii) Landscape
- iii) Colour

7. Submission of Photographs

Entrants should submit their photograph/s with a completed entry form. On the back of each photograph the entrant's name, age group, the category in which the picture is entered and the date the photograph was taken must be clearly marked.

Film: Images made on film to be submitted as 10 x 8" or A4 prints. Please add details of the film used to the other information on the reverse of the print.

Digital: Digital images should be provided on a CD and accompanied by a 10 x 8" or A4 print. The image file should be a jpeg or tiff, minimum size 10 x 8" with a resolution of 300dpi. The CD should also show the entrant's name, age group and category/ies.

Payment: Payment of entry fees should be submitted with the photograph/s and completed entry form.

The address for submission is:

Marks Hall Photography Competition
The Visitor Centre
Marks Hall Estate
Coggeshall
Colchester
Essex
CO6 1TG

Or handed in at the Visitor Centre

Email entries cannot be accepted.

8. Winning Entries

- i) There will be one Winner and one Runner up in each category for both age groups.
- ii) From the winning entries an overall winner will be chosen.

9. Judging

A panel of Judges will judge the entries in September. Winners and runners up will be contacted by email or post soon thereafter. The decision of the judges is final.

10. Prizes:

- i) Over 16's

The winner of each category will receive a place on an exclusive photography workshop run by Bryan Shaw at Marks Hall, worth £75.

One runner up in each category will receive free family membership to Marks Hall for 1 year, worth £55.

- ii) Under 16's

The winner of each category will receive book tokens to the value of £30.

One runner up in each category will receive book tokens to the value of £20.

- iii) The overall winner will also receive a hamper of meats and other produce provided by Blackwell's Farm Shop, to the value of £50.

Please note that if a winner of the runner up prize of family membership to Marks Hall is already a member, then their existing membership will be renewed free of charge on expiry.

Marks Hall reserves the right to change prizes to others of comparable value.

11. Copies

Please ensure you keep copies of your submitted images as it will not be possible to return these to you.

12. General

- i) By entering the competition you confirm that you are the sole author of each entry and that it is your own work.

- ii) By entering the competition you grant Marks Hall the right to reproduce or publish the image for any purpose connected with Marks Hall's own publicity. This may include, but not limited to, displays, use on our web site, promotional material, press releases or use for greeting cards or calendars for sale at Marks Hall. Marks Hall will make every effort to ensure name credits are given where photographs are used.

- iii) Entry or the intention to make an entry into the competition does not entitle the entrant to free admission to Marks Hall.

- iv) All photography at Marks Hall for commercial purposes, i.e. other than for private or personal use or for approved competitions, is not allowed.

- v) Every person appearing in a photograph must have given their consent to be photographed and, in the case of anyone under the age of 18, this consent should be given by a parent or legal guardian. Consents must be recorded on a form which is available in the Visitor Centre. Completed consent forms are to be submitted with the entry form. It is the entrant's own responsibility to ensure they have explained to subjects the purpose of the photo and how the picture may be used.

- vi) Entries which do not comply with the above requirements may not be entered into the competition

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