



# Delaware High School Photography Contest

## Explanation of Judging

There will be three judges. They will be Delaware Photographic Society Salon Class members experienced in judging.

Images will be shown using a digital projector, or on a large screen monitor. The image title/filename and maker's name will NOT be shown during judging.

Each image will be scored independently by each judge using an electronic scoring system, giving a score from 3-9. Scores of 1 and 2 are reserved for images that are disqualified (Have identifying markings on the image or do not meet other rules of the competition). The scores of the three judges will be added together for the final score for each image. For instance, the judges may score 5-6-7, for a final score of 18.

While the scoring is necessarily subjective, the judges will look for, among other things:

- Interest
- Composition
- Technical Excellence

After all images are scored there will be a Prize round. All the higher scoring images will be reviewed, and the judges will determine 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place images. 10 Honorable Mention images will then be chosen.

NOTE: Having the highest score in the scoring round does NOT mean the image will be a prize winner. Winners are chosen in the medal round when judges may take more time to evaluate each image. Winners are chosen by consensus of the judges.

After the judging, participants will be sent their scores by email.

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