



2009

Florida Surveying, Mapping & Geomatic Professionals Photo Contest

Entry Requirements and Contest Rules:

The following guidelines will be considered when choosing photographs for inclusion in the calendar:

1. A maximum of five (5) entries per photographer is allowed.
2. Entrants should place their photos in one of the three categories listed on the following page. The judges reserve the right to re-categorize any entry they feel would better fit another category.
3. All images must be taken within the State of Florida.
4. All images must be in landscape (horizontal) composition.
5. Entries may be prints, or digital images in color or in black and white.
6. All digital images must be of publication quality (see the Format section below).

Submittal Checklist: Each entry MUST include the following:

_____ A completed and signed Entry Form (attached or available at www.fsms-spacecoast.com)

_____ A 5"x7" or 8"x10" printed copy of the image on photographic paper. Do not send matted, mounted or framed prints. Do not send negatives.

_____ Digital copy or slide of the photograph on CD.

_____ A signed model release for any/all persons recognizable in the photograph.

Failure to meet all of the above criteria will disqualify an entry from judging

Address & Contact – Send entries to:

Kay Gargis
Photo Contest- Space Coast Chapter of FSMS
4489 Bowstring Court
Titusville, Florida 32796

CONTEST CATEGORY	WHAT TO PHOTOGRAPH
HISTORICAL INFLUENCES	Capture the distinctive influences that history, science and technology have had on the surveying, and mapping profession; scenes that celebrate our past, technological wonders, historical monuments, etc.
CHARACTER & CULTURE	Photograph what makes our profession so unique; capture people in action, special projects or events, and community connections that convey the character and culture of the profession.
THE NATURE OF IT ALL	Photograph the landscapes, wildlife, and other remote places in nature that very few visit except a surveyor and mapper.

Format:

Submit digital images on compact disk, accompanied by a 5"x7" or 8"x10" print on photographic paper.

Digital Images should be formatted to 300 dpi or a minimum file size of 9 megabytes per image (approximately a 5"x7" image), in either TIFF or JPEG (high quality) format. Do not resample small files to fit requirements.

Preferred file size is 300 dpi with a total file size of between 13-17 megabytes (approximately an 8"x10" image or larger) in either TIFF or JPEG (high quality) format.

Digital images should **not** be compressed, and can have minimal manipulation such as cropping and exposure adjustments, but no cutting and pasting or other advanced techniques that create end products that do not reflect the scene as it appeared in reality.

Slide/Transparency entries up to 5 x 4 inches will be accepted.

Entry Identification: Each photograph must be adequately identified.

Print Entries: The photographer's name and photograph title must be printed on a sticky note attached to the back of each print. Do not write directly on the print (front or back).

Digital Entries: The photographer's name and "Surveying/Mapping 2009 Photo Contest" should be written directly on each compact disk. The file name on the disk must match the title of the photograph.

Slide/Transparency Entries: The photographer's name and photograph title must be printed on each slide mount.

Judging:

Entries will be judged on the basis of creativity, photographic quality and effectiveness in conveying the spirit of the three (3) contest categories. Decisions of the judges are final. Winners will be contacted after judging is complete. In addition to being published as the featured monthly photo in the 2009 Surveyors & Mappers Calendar, the first place winner (January) will receive \$100; the second place winner (February) will receive \$75.00; and the third place winner (March) will receive \$50.00. The remaining nine winners (April-December) will each receive one (1) free 2009 calendar as well as an honorable mention next to their monthly photo.

Release information and use of Photos:

By entering this contest, the contestant warrants that the image submitted is his or her original work and that he or she is the owner of the image.

Each photographer shall retain all rights to any photograph and/or image, however contestant must grant permission for unrestricted use of the photograph and/or image to the Space Coast Chapter of the Florida Surveying & Mapping Society (FSMS), or its designee, to utilize the image for the sale of the 2009 Surveyor & Mapper calendar, and for future publications, exhibits or on its internet site, and the right to use the photographer's name, and city of residence in promotions and other publications.

Proceeds from the calendar sales goes solely to a fund for the 2009 Florida Surveyors' Week Festival.

Photographs, regardless of medium, will not be returned. Do not send your only copy of the photograph. The Space Coast Chapter of the FSMS is not responsible for any material lost, damaged, or misdirected in the mail.

Model Release:

Photos containing any recognizable person featured in a photo must be accompanied by a model release form (attached or available at www.spacecoast-fsms.com) signed by the subject and a parent or legal guardian, if under 18 years of age.

Deadline: All contest entries must be postmarked by October 14, 2008.

Cost: There is no entry fee.