

# **Photo Submission Rules and Regulations**

Please read these official rules before submitting a photo for North Grenville in Bloom. You are not eligible to submit photos unless you agree to these official rules, which are final on all matters related to the contest.

Timeline: North Grenville in Bloom allows photo submissions throughout the year to be used for event promotion and on social media.

**Judging:** Winners of the top prize and the runner up for each category will be chosen by the panel of judges partly based on the quality and creativity of the entry as well as other criteria established in the Municipality of North Grenville's sole discretion. Contestants are limited to one prize per category.

The "People's Choice" prizes will be chosen through online voting on the <u>Municipal</u> <u>Facebook page</u>. In the case of a tie, the Municipality will randomly select the winner.

The Municipality of North Grenville reserves the right, at its discretion, to disqualify or discount any entrant, image or vote connected to votes cast by unfair means. The decision of the judges is final.

### **Eligibility:**

- All photos must be taken within the boundaries of the Municipality of North Grenville and specify the area that picture was taken.
- A limit of five (5) photo entries per person.
- The photographer must be the one to enter the contest, you cannot use someone else's photo.

- Photos containing alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products will not be considered.
- Open to all residents of Ontario, 18 years of age and older, except employees or representatives of the Municipality of North Grenville and their immediate families (spouses or children). Volunteer firefighters are not considered employees for the sake of this contest and are eligible to participate.
- The contest is void where prohibited or restricted by law. The Municipality of North Grenville reserves the right to cancel the contest or modify these official contest rules and regulations at its discretion. Decisions of the Municipality of North Grenville will be final.
- No purchase is necessary.
- Winners will be contacted by email.
- Winners are not entitled to monetary difference between actual prize value and stated approximate prize value, if any. It is incumbent on the winner to participate and utilize any or all activities offered in the Contest and the Winner will not be entitled to any financial reimbursement or rain cheques as a result of prize offers that have not been utilized.
- In order to claim the prize, potential winners must correctly answer a time limited mathematical skill-testing question, by phone or email, without assistance or mechanical or electronic aid.
- Proof of identification must be provided upon request. In the event that the
  potential winner is not eligible, cannot be contacted by the within two (2)
  business days following the announcement, does not sign the Declaration
  and Release Form, return the release, or pick-up their gift within the specified
  time, the Municipality has the right to disqualify that prize winner and select
  an alternate prize winner and the Municipality shall be fully and completely
  released and discharged from any liability or responsibility.
- The Municipality reserves the right at its sole discretion to substitute another prize of equal or greater value.
- The contest is subject to all applicable federal, provincial, and local laws and regulations.
- Prizes must be accepted as awarded without substitution. The Prizes are not transferable, cannot be redeemed for cash and cannot be sold, exchanged, or bartered. Requests for refunds will not be accepted or discussed.

- The Municipality is not responsible for the theft, loss of any form, or any human or computer-generated error in the awarding of the prize.
- By submitting your entry photos, you agree to allow the Municipality to save and use the photos at its discretion as they see fit, online and in print publications without notification, or compensation.
- Each time you submit a photo, you agree to comply with these official contest rules and regulations.
- Entry photos will not be returned. By entering this contest, you are indicating
  your consent to your personal information being stored, used and processed
  by the Municipality of North Grenville. By entering this contest, you are
  confirming that the consent of any other party or rights holder to submit the
  image or has obtained said consent.
- All photos must be original and cannot have been previously published in any manner or entered any other contest. The photo must not infringe on copyright or other intellectual property rights.
- This contest and the terms and conditions contained in these official contest rules and regulations are exclusively governed by and construed in accordance with municipal bylaws, the laws of the Province of Ontario, Canada and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.

#### **Entries**

Winners' names and photographs will be published on www.northgrenville.ca, social media sites and in print. By submitting your entry photos, you agree to allow the Municipality of North Grenville and its subsidiaries to save and use the photos at its discretion as they see fit, online and in print publications without notification, or compensation.

The Municipality of North Grenville is not responsible for any reason whatsoever, including computer system, hardware, software, or program malfunctions of either the contestant or the Municipality, or their respective service providers, if contestants are not able to submit their entries before the closing date and time. Contestants agree that the Municipality has no liability for delays caused by internet/network traffic, degraded operation or failure of any computer system element, including not limited to any computer system, power supply, telephone or

data connection or system or software or browser of any type whatsoever that affects the contest or your participation in it.

The Municipality is not responsible for technical problems with digital photos or uploading photos. If photos submitted cannot be viewed or submitted photos do not satisfy the contest requirements, such entries will be disqualified.

### **Disclaimer**

By entering this contest, you acknowledge that you are an Ontario resident, and have read and understand these Rules and Regulations. By submitting your photograph(s), you authorize the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville "Municipality of North Grenville" to use your photograph(s) in future publications. These photographs may be used by the Municipality of North Grenville, without further consent, acknowledgement, or compensation in all formats of publications including but not limited to, newsletters, newspapers, posters, brochures, websites, and/or social media for publicity purposes. By submitting photos, you understand that once a photograph is posted on a website, the image can be downloaded by any computer user. You also acknowledge the Municipality of North Grenville's right to crop or edit the photograph at its discretion and acknowledges that the Municipality of North Grenville may choose not to use my photograph at this time but may do so at its discretion at a later date. The Municipality of North Grenville reserves the right to use or discontinue use of my photograph without notice.

## **Copyright Notice**

Regarding any photograph submitted in this contest, the entrant (photographer) retains copyright. By uploading or submitting any photograph to this contest, the entrant grants the Municipality of North Grenville a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to display, distribute, reproduce, and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or subsequently developed, for any of the Municipality of North Grenville's purpose, including, but not limited to advertising and promotional materials, its website, social media, exhibition, and commercial products, including but not limited to municipal publications. The Municipality of North Grenville will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such uses which may or may not give credit to the photographer. Winning entrants are

required to sign a release containing the above conditions – including any model releases for recognizable individuals in photo. Photo releases must accompany all entries.

### **Notice of Collection**

The Municipality protects the personal information provided to it in accordance with applicable privacy laws. The personal information that will be collected and used for this contest consists of your name, address, telephone number and/or email address. The Municipality is collecting this personal information in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSO 1990, c.M.56, for the purposes of processing your entry and administering the prize.

By entering this Contest, you are agreeing to the collection, use and disclosure of your personal information by the Municipality. Any questions regarding this collection may be directed to:

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