

2006 Fall Rhapsody Amateur Photo Contest

Rules

The contest is organized by the National Capital Commission in collaboration with Japan Camera at Place du Centre, Gatineau (Hull sector), and Place du Centre.

Suggested theme (not mandatory): The colours of the Gatineau Park forest: reflections in the water



- 1. ELIGIBILITY:** The contest is open to all amateur photographers residing in Canada. Participants must be 18 years of age or older, or have the consent of a parent or legal guardian to participate. NCC, Japan Camera, Place du Centre and Galeries de Hull (Gatineau) employees and their spouses and immediate relatives are not eligible.
- 2. PARTICIPATION:** Complete the entry form, which is available from the Gatineau Park Visitor Centre in Chelsea, or from Japan Camera at Place du Centre or Galeries de Hull in Gatineau, or download the form from the internet at <http://www.ncc-ccn.gc.ca> or <http://placeducentre.centrejaponais.com/en/index.html>. Deliver in person or mail in your entry form along with two specimens of a colour photo, which you have taken and to which you hold sold copyright, to Japan Camera (Place du Centre), 200 Promenade du Portage, Gatineau (Hull sector), Quebec, J8X 4B7. Entries must be received not later than 27 October 2006 at 4 PM. The photos submitted with the entry form must measure 20.32 cm x 25.40 cm (8 in x 10 in) or 20.32 cm x 30.48 cm (8 in x 12 in). Limit one entry per participant. Note that photos will NOT be returned to participants.

Development of 8- x 10-in. (20.32- x 25.40-cm) photos from a single negative, slide or digital file available at Centre japonais de la Photo Place du centre and Galerie de Hull, Gatineau. One-hour service.

- 3. A) JURY PRIZE:** The jury will award five (5) prizes in all, as follows:

First prize: Fuji FinePix S9000 digital camera, 9 mega pixels, \$750 value, compliments of Japan Camera, Place du Centre and Galeries de Hull in Gatineau;

Second prize: Fuji FinePix a500 digital camera, 5.1 mega pixels, \$200 value, compliments of Japan Camera, Place du Centre and Galeries de Hull in Gatineau;

Third prize: Fuji FinePix a500 digital camera, 5.1 mega pixels, \$200 value, compliments of Japan Camera, Place du Centre and Galeries de Hull in Gatineau;

Fourth prize: \$150 gift certificate, compliments of Japan Camera, Place du Centre and Galeries de Hull in Gatineau;

Fifth prize: \$150 gift certificate, compliments of Place du Centre (Hull sector), Gatineau.

B) PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD: A prize will also be awarded for the photo that garners the most votes from the public. The prize consists of a family cross-country skiing pass (2006-2007 season) for Gatineau Park (\$255 value), and a 2007 summer season pass, compliments of the National Capital Commission.

- 4. EVALUATION CRITERIA:** The five jury prizes will be awarded based on the following criteria:
a) relevance to the suggested (but not mandatory) theme, b) composition, c) visual impact, and d) technical quality.
- 5. JURY DECISION AND PUBLICATION:** All photos submitted and retained will be on display at the Gatineau Park Visitor Center and Place du Centre from 1-10 November, inclusively. They will then be examined by a jury on 13 November 2006. The jury's decision is final. The People's Choice Award will be decided by popular vote. Winners (six in all, including the People's Choice Award) will be contacted by telephone before 17 November 2006, once the jury has made its decision and the popular vote has been counted. Winning photos will be displayed at the Gatineau Park Visitor Centre during Fall Rhapsody 2007 and on the NCC website from 20 November to 21 December 2006.
- 6. AWARDING OF PRIZES:** Winners must make arrangements to pick up their prizes within thirty (30) days following contest close. Note that, if the participant is a minor, only an adult parent or legal guardian will be authorized to accept the prize on behalf of the minor and to sign any documents required to that effect.



7. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: Participants retain intellectual property of submitted and/or winning photos. However, by taking part in the contest, participants expressly authorize the NCC and Japan Camera (Place du Centre) to publish photos received pursuant to the terms of this contest and to subsequently use said photos in communications, promotional materials, and displays.

8. RESPONSIBILITY: The NCC and Japan Camera (Place du Centre) will take every precaution to protect the photos during handling; however, they cannot be held responsible for any damage, loss, or delay that occurs during transport or handling.

9. COPYRIGHT: Participants must declare that they hold all rights to the photo submitted and expressly agree to indemnify and save harmless the NCC and Japan Camera (Place du Centre) from any legal action, demand, or suit that could be initiated as a result of the publication or use of their photo for the contest or in any communications, promotional materials, or displays whatsoever.

10. Any photo that shows an identifiable person or persons must be accompanied by a duly completed consent form signed by said individual(s) and granting the NCC and Japan Camera the right to display and/or publish said photo. In the absence of this form, the photo will be refused.

11. WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY: The NCC is not responsible for any printing or typing errors that may appear in any documents related to the contest.

The NCC, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to cancel or suspend this contest for any reason beyond its control that calls into question the impartiality or normal operation of this contest.

The NCC, at its sole discretion, also reserves the right to refuse any entry and/or photo that fails to satisfy the terms and conditions of this contest or for any reasonable cause.

12. PERMISSION TO USE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PARTICIPANTS: By entering the contest, participants agree to allow their name, place of residence, photo, voice, and image to be divulged or used, without compensation or notice, for the purposes of this contest or for publicity, marketing, or informational materials in any media or format (including internet) in connection with this contest or with similar contests in future, and agree to sign any document(s) regarding this stipulation or that the NCC deems necessary.

13. QUEBEC RESIDENTS: Quebec residents may submit any disputes regarding the organization or conduct of any promotional contest to the *Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux* for settlement. Any dispute regarding the awarding of prizes may only be submitted to the Régie for intervention in an attempt to settle the dispute.

14. The masculine form is used in this document in the sole aim of improving its readability.

15. CONSENT: Participants agree to the contest rules and prizes as shown. No monetary substitution will be granted for goods or services awarded as prizes. The NCC reserves the right, without restriction, to replace a prize with another prize of equal or greater value.

Participant's name: _____

Telephone number: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Where was the photo taken? _____

I have read the rules for the 2006 Fall Rhapsody Amateur Photo Contest, and I understand and accept all of the terms and conditions therein.

Participant's signature
(signature of parent or legal guardian if the participant is a minor): _____

Good luck!



Place du Centre
and Galerie de Hull
Gatineau (Quebec)

