

Montgomery County Historical Society 2019 Photo Contest Rules and Entry Form

Goal

The winning photograph from this contest will be selected for the production of the Montgomery County Historical Society's (MCHS) 2019 Jigsaw Puzzle. All entries may be used to increase community awareness of the MCHS, our grounds and the community. The entries may be used to reach new MCHS audiences through social media and increase community engagement through our website and other social media outlets.

Who is Eligible to Enter?

Community members of all ages, past and present Montgomery County citizens, and Indiana residents connected to our community. Photographers under the age of 18 will be required to have parent or legal guardian's written consent to enter the contest.

Photograph Properties and Specifications

The winning image should be representative of a location in Montgomery County. Compelling images of local buildings, landscapes, and/or structures will be given special attention. The photographer is welcome to submit previously taken images from February 1st, 2018 through the end of the photo contest. All work must be original and the sole property of the photographer. If the photograph includes recognizable images of people then the photographer is responsible to attach a model release form(s) with the image submission. High Resolution images at 300 dpi sized to print at 12" x 13" or greater are needed for the puzzle creation. (Puzzle Production size is 19.25" x 26.625") Uncompressed 24 bit digital formats are preferred. Images submitted will be considered for publication and if suitable may be converted by software by us to meet the needs of production. The puzzle manufacture specifically asks that the image be sharp or highly focused.

Theme

What Makes Montgomery County

Timeline

Photo Contest Entry Dates: February 11th through February 28th

Winner Announced: March 8th, 2019

Puzzles Available: June 7th, 2019

Platform

The winning puzzle image requires high resolution, meaning a large file size. Many social media platforms modify the original image to reduce file size. Therefore, images may be submitted to us by social media for review, but we would ask that the winning image be available for our use in the image's original format. We will contact the winning photographer to arrange final transfer of the image by flash drive, or some other suitable media.

Term

Submissions to the Montgomery County Historical Society's 1st Annual Photo Contest begins February 11, 2019, and ends February 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM Eastern Standard Time. Images taken between February 1st, 2018 and February 28th, 2019 are eligible.

Who may enter

By submitting an entry, each contestant agrees to the rules of the contest and states that he or she is age 18 or older. If the contestant is under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must give permission and sign on behalf of the youth. The Montgomery County Historical Society will determine winners' eligibility at its sole discretion.

What to enter

Preference will be given to images conforming to this year's theme as detailed above. To be eligible, the photograph must have been taken by the entrant. We ask that entrants submit photographs taken between February 11th, 2018 and February 28th, 2019. Cropped photos are eligible. We ask that the photos not be digitally or otherwise enhanced or altered photos. Minor adjustments, including spotting, dodging and burning, sharpening, contrast and slight color adjustment or the digital equivalents are acceptable. If the judges determine that a photographer has significantly altered his or her photo, they reserve the right to disqualify it.

For a photo in which a person is recognizable, you must be prepared to provide a model release from the subject or, in the case of a minor, the subject's parent or guardian with the submission. A sample model release is attached. Similarly, entrants whose photos depict other people's work (such as sculptures, statues, paintings, and other copyrightable works) must be prepared to provide a release from the rights holder to the MCHS upon request. When photographing the work of others, it must be as an object in its environment and not a full-frame close-up of another person's creation. A sample art release is attached.

Photos that violate or infringe upon another person's rights, including but not limited to copyright, are not eligible. Photos that contain sexually explicit, nude, obscene, violent or other objectionable or inappropriate content, as determined by the MCHS in its sole discretion, are ineligible for this contest.

How to enter

Please submit photographs and requested information online by E-Mail attachment to: jcoates@lane-mchs.org In order for your submission to be considered it must be submitted in .Tiff, .Jpg or similar 24 bit standard image format. We do not accept photographs submitted in Microsoft Word, .PDF formats or printed images through the mail. High-quality scans of non-digital photographs are acceptable. Digital photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible. Finalists will be asked to submit an original, unedited digital file or an original negative, print or slide. Original negatives, prints or slides will be returned to finalists. The MCHS reserves the right to disqualify contestants who are unable to submit, upon request, a high-resolution photograph that could be used for the puzzle. Mobile photographs must be submitted at their highest resolution upon request.

You retain your rights to your photograph; however, by entering the contest, you grant the Montgomery County Historical Society a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any Montgomery County Historical Society purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion of the newsletter and its website, exhibition, and commercial products, including but not limited to Montgomery County Historical Society publications. Any photograph reproduced will include a photographer credit as feasible. The Montgomery County Historical Society will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such uses.

Judging

Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, and appropriate to our needs. The Montgomery County Historical Society will select a grand prize winner from all submissions. The Montgomery County Historical Society will notify the winner via the method in which their photo was submitted. The Montgomery County Historical Society may disqualify anyone who fails to respond to the notification within five business days. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

Grand Prize

The winning photograph will be used for the 2019 Montgomery County Historical Society puzzle. The winner will also be given a Montgomery County Historical Society Family Membership for 2019 and a puzzle, once they have been printed.

Online Features

The Montgomery County Historical Society may select photos for highlight on its website, newsletter or display in a publicly accessible contest archive; such selections will be made at the Montgomery County Historical Society's sole discretion.

Conditions of Entry

All entrants hold the Sponsors and their respective regents, directors, officers, employees, emeriti, fellows, interns, research associates, and volunteers (the "Indemnified Parties") harmless from and against all claims of any nature arising in connection with entrant's participation in the contest and acceptance or use of a prize. The Indemnified Parties are not liable for any costs, damages, injuries, or other claims incurred as a result of entrants' participation in the contest or winner's acceptance and usage of a prize. The Indemnified Parties are not responsible for incomplete or misdirected entries, technical or network malfunctions or failures, or causes beyond their control. Entrants are solely responsible for their entries. Entrants may not submit materials that introduce any software viruses, worms or other programs designed to damage software, hardware or telecommunications equipment or are off-topic, partisan-political, contain advertising, nudity, personal attacks or expletives, or is otherwise abusive, threatening, unlawful, harassing, discriminatory, libelous, obscene, false, sexually explicit, or that infringes on the rights of any third party.

The contest is void where prohibited or restricted by law. The Montgomery County Historical Society reserves the right to cancel the contest or modify these rules at its discretion. In the event

of a dispute regarding the winners, the Montgomery County Historical Society reserves the right to award or not award the prizes in its sole discretion. The Montgomery County Historical Society reserves the right to disqualify any entrant whose entry or conduct appears in any way to: inhibit the enjoyment of others; tamper with the competition; violate these rules or other applicable law or regulation; infringe on the rights of third parties; or act in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner. Decisions of the Montgomery County Historical Society are final and binding.

By signing below, the photographer / contestant agrees to all conditions of this contest.

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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MODEL RELEASE

I understand that I appear in a photograph or photographs taken by

_____, and I give _____ permission to use my name and that photographic likeness in his or her entry to the Montgomery County Historical Society's 2019 Photo Contest. I also hereby give the Montgomery County Historical Society a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of that entry (including my name and photographic likeness), in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any Montgomery County Historical Society purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion of the newsletter and its website, exhibition, and commercial products, including but not limited to Montgomery County Historical Society publications. I understand that I shall not receive any compensation for these uses and that the Montgomery County Historical Society is under no obligation to use the entry in any way. I waive any claim or right of action arising out of the uses described in this release.

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

If Model is under age 18: I, _____, am the parent/legal guardian of the individual named above, I have read this release and approve of its terms.

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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ART RELEASE

I, the undersigned, own the rights in the _____ (the "Work")
that is depicted in a photograph or photographs taken by _____.

I give _____ permission to use my Work in his or her entry to Montgomery County Historical Society's 2019 Photo Contest. I give the Montgomery County Historical Society a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, nonexclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of that entry, including the depiction of my Work, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any Montgomery County Historical Society purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion of the newsletter and its website, exhibition, and commercial products, including but not limited to Montgomery County Historical Society publications. I understand that I shall not receive any compensation for these uses and that the Montgomery County Historical Society is under no obligation to use the entry in any way. I waive any claim or right of action arising out of the uses authorized in this release.

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