

# NORTON COUNTY PHOTO CONTEST

Norton Area Chamber of Commerce/Travel & Tourism, Norton County Magazine, and Norton City/County Economic Development are sponsoring an official Photo Contest. We are seeking photos that illustrate the lifestyle, beauty and assets of Norton County. The 5 **Award Categories** are listed below. We encourage creativity; interior as well as exterior photos are needed. Photos will be accepted Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> through Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

1. **Nature and Outdoors:** Scenic shots of Norton County's parks, lake and wildlife from any time of the year; action shots of people of all ages playing, biking, hiking, fishing, boating, bird watching, etc.
2. **Culture:** Cultural attractions such as the Museum, Library, Historic Downtown, Arts and Cultural Events, etc.
3. **Shopping, Food & Drinks:** Local shops and boutiques, farmer's markets, restaurant related photos that you find interesting and unique
4. **Local Festivals, Events, & Activities:** Annual/recurring events such as Easter Egg Hunt, Run/Walk events, Archery/Hunting/Fishing events, Horse Council events, Golf Tournaments, Disc Golf, Vintage Car Races, Sunflower Pioneer Power exhibits, Art Walk, OK Kids Day, Lenora Jubilee, Norton County Fair/Carnival, Car Shows, Hwy 36 Treasure Hunt, Halloween Parade, Sporting events, etc...
5. **History:** Historical sites, buildings, landmarks, attractions...



## Who May Enter?

The contest is open to any resident of Norton County and all photos must be taken in Norton County, KS.

## How to Enter

Visit <http://www.TheNortonLocal.com> and complete the entry form, or pick up an entry form at the Norton Business and Visitors Station at 205 S State St., Norton, KS 67654. Photos may be submitted on a single CD, flash drive, or attached to an email (limit 3 photo per email). Email photo entries to [nortoncc@ruraltel.net](mailto:nortoncc@ruraltel.net) along with a completed entry form. Please keep in mind that a maximum email attachment size allowed is 25 MB. If your submission does not go through, this is an indicator that the file size may be an issue. We will send confirmation emails. Photos will be accepted from *Friday, Aug. 9, 2019 through Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019.*

**By submitting your photos, you agree that your entry complies with the Official Rules.** You may submit up to 6 photos. Each photo must be submitted as high-resolution JPEG files. Each photo must be at least 5x7 (or 1500 x 2100) at 300 dpi or larger. If you submit any photo less than this resolution standard, the photo may be ineligible. Photos must comply with all applicable laws. Photos that are obscene, defamatory, sexually explicit, or inappropriate will be disqualified at our discretion. Photos must have been taken within two years of entry into this contest. Photos must not have been published previously for monetary payment. Only minor editing of a photo is acceptable. Extensively edited photos will be ineligible. Before submitting a photo with an identifiable person, you must obtain a release signed by the person (or their parent or legal guardian). All entrants grant to Norton Area Chamber of Commerce/Travel & Tourism, Norton County Magazine, and Norton City/County Economic Development the irrevocable, perpetual, worldwide right to reproduce distribute, display, modify, and create derivative works of any photo entered in the contest in any current or future media or on any merchandise. Entries will become our property and will not be returned. We may terminate or modify any part of the contest at any time for any reason. We may disqualify anyone who violates these official rules. All entrants agree to release and indemnify Norton Area Chamber of Commerce/Travel and Tourism and its agents from all claims related to the contest.

**Prizes: \$1,000 in prize money.** 5 categories. 1 prize per category in the amount of \$200.00 will be awarded. Winning photos and photographer will be featured on the Norton Chamber/Travel & Tourism website, featured in the monthly and e-newsletter, announced at our Fall Festival 'Casino Masquerade' event, and featured in the Norton Travel & Tourism 2020 Visitors and Relocation Guide. We will email and call the winners by October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019. If you do not provide a valid email address or phone number your entry may be disqualified. To receive prizes winners must complete additional forms within 30 days. If winners don't claim their prize or complete the required forms, we may select an alternate winner. Prizes may not be transferred.

**Judging:** Our judges, at their sole discretion, will select the 5 Category prize winning photos based on quality, composition, content, originality, creativity, and mass appeal. Decisions are final. Only winners will be notified of the outcome. A list of the winners will be posted on the Website and on Social Media by October 10<sup>th</sup>.

# NORTON COUNTY PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM

NAME (First/Last) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DAY-TIME PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY #1: TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY #2: TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE/LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE/LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY #3: TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY # 4: TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE/LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE/LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY #5: TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY #6: TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE/LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE/LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree that these photos comply with the Photo Contest Official Rules. All photos must be taken by a resident of Norton County. Limit 6 entries per person.*

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

This information must be attached to the CD or flash drive or be included in the email which has the photos included as an attachment. Send or deliver CD's to: Norton Area Chamber/Travel & Tourism, 205 S. State St., Norton, KS 67654. OR email entries to: [nortoncc@ruraltel.net](mailto:nortoncc@ruraltel.net) .