

# Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park Photo Contest

## Rules and Guidelines



**Location** Elsa Kimbell Environmental Education and Research Center (Kimbell Center)  
Jonathan Dickinson State Park  
16450 SE Federal Hwy  
Hobe Sound, FL 33455

### Timeline

- **March 11** All entries must be submitted by the 11th; (see below for entry fees and submission details)
- **March 14** Notification to finalists with artwork accepted for exhibition in the Kimbell Center
- **March 27** Accepted artwork must be delivered by 6:00 p.m. to the Kimbell Center - prepared to hang (see below for instructions)
- **April 6** Exhibition/reception from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; winners will be announced; all artists and guests are invited – park entry fees will be waived for artists and guests. Suggested donation of \$5 per person for general public.
- **May 4-6** Exhibition ends; Artists pick up artwork at the Kimbell Center between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

### Categories

- Florida Flora and Fauna (photographs focusing on native wildlife and plants of Florida)
- Florida General (landscapes, scenes, people, and man-made structures in a natural setting; all recognizable people in a photograph must complete a Model Release Form (attached) which must be submitted with the photograph)
- Jonathan Dickinson State Park (JDSP) – photographs must be taken in JDSP
- Youth Florida Nature – as interpreted by photographer; includes all youth ages 16 and under; all must be accompanied by a release form signed by a parent or legal guardian.

### Fees

- \$15 entry fee includes submission of up to three entries; additional entries (single photograph) can be submitted at a cost of \$5 each.
- Fees must accompany entry forms (see attached).

### Submissions

- Contest entries should be submitted electronically through email or by mail on a CD or DVD. Please do not send prints.
  - Entries must be submitted in jpeg format
  - Maximum size (for electronic submission) 1024 pixels on the longest side; 72 bpi (or ppi) resolution
  - Minimum size (for electronic submission) 800 pixels on the longest side; 72 bpi (or ppi) resolution
  - Send electronic submissions to: [libby.reinert@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:libby.reinert@dep.state.fl.us)
  - Send CDs or DVDs to: (or drop them at the Ranger Station at the front gate of the park)
    - Friends of JDSP Photo Contest  
16450 SE Federal Hwy  
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  - Forms and payment must be mailed (see attached forms for details). No entry will be officially accepted into the competition until payment is received.
- Photographs to be exhibited in the Kimbell Center will be selected from digital submissions (email, CD, or DVD). Winners in each category will be selected from exhibited work and announced at the reception on April 6.
- Attached entry and release forms must be received on or before entry closing date (see timeline).
- Photos cannot be excessively manipulated in Adobe's Photoshop or other image editor. Retouching is limited to removal of dust or dirt spots, cropping, sizing, and other manipulations that will bring the image closest to a natural setting.
- Images submitted must have been taken by and be the property of the submitter and cannot be images that have won prior awards.

## Exhibition and Display

- All artwork accepted for exhibition must be framed or prepared to hang for display with a wire (or other suitable hanging material). Artwork using sawtooth hangers will not be accepted. Please contact the Kimbell Center for details about preparing your artwork so they can be displayed properly.
- Artwork will be displayed in the Kimbell Center for one month after the photo contest unless otherwise arranged with the artist. Artwork will not remain in the center for longer than the designated time frame.
- A label containing the artwork title, artist's name, address, phone number, and sales price (if for sale) must be affixed to the back of each accepted artwork (see below more information about sales). If the alignment of the photograph may be unclear, it is recommended that an arrow indicating the top of the image be drawn visibly on the back of the frame or on the label.
- Unless otherwise agreed, artists or their representatives must pick up their work in person at the Kimbell Center after the exhibition between May 4 and 6 (representatives must be identified and arranged before pick up). Jonathan Dickinson State Park will not be responsible for shipping/returning items.
- Artists must sign release forms that must accompany the entry form and fee (see attached).
- Entries must be delivered in person or by mail to the specified address by the specified time and date (see timeline).
- Sizes for presentation in the Kimbell Center are:
  - Maximum frame size = 24" x 30"
  - Minimum frame size = 8" x 10"

## Judging

- Judges for this year's competition will be Katie Deits, director of the Lighthouse ArtCenter and renowned art critic, and Raymond Gehman, National Geographic photographer and educator.

Katie Deits is a sculptor, Master Photographer, educator, and writer. She grew up in the Palm Beaches, studied art in New York City and Florence, Italy, and has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from University of South Florida. Ms. Deits holds the Florida Degree of Photographic Excellence and a Master of Photography from Professional Photographers of America.

Raymond Gehman has worked for National Geographic magazine for 24 years with six covers, articles, and books to his credit. Mr. Gehman holds degrees in Photography and Photo-Journalism from the university of Missouri and Northern Virginia College. He has also earned various Photographer of the Year awards and has had his work published in American Photographer magazine and many other known periodicals and journals.

## Prizes

- Finalists who are chosen for exhibition will receive a free membership to the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park which includes 12 free entries into the park (up to a \$72 value).
- Cash and other prizes will be awarded for Best of Show and category winners; cash prizes will depend on the number of entries.
- In addition, winning entries with permission from the artist will be submitted for publication in the Florida Wildlife online magazine.

## Agreement

Submission of work shall constitute an agreement to comply with all of the rules and conditions set forth in this document. Entries that fail to comply with the rules and conditions will be disqualified.

## Sales

Jonathan Dickinson State Park does not participate in the sale of artwork. Neither will the park provide any documents of authenticity. All inquiries must be directed to the artist or their representative. Artists must provide accurate contact information which the park will display by each photograph. Twenty percent (20%) of

the proceeds will be given to the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. These funds are used to support park activities.

The Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. is a volunteer-based, nonprofit organization whose role is one of advocacy for the historical, educational, and ecological enhancement of Jonathan Dickinson State Park. Its mission is to assist park management in meeting the natural and cultural resource management objectives established for the park.

**Contact**

Email Libby Reinert, [libby.reinert@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:libby.reinert@dep.state.fl.us), or call the Kimbell Center, 561-745-5551.

**Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park Photo Contest**  
**Entry Form**



**Checks should be made payable to:**  
Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc.

**Mail check, entry form, and release forms to:**  
Friends of JDSP Photo Contest  
16450 SE Federal Hwy  
Hobe Sound, FL 33455

**Please print legibly; only one form is needed for up to three entries; include additional form for additional entries.**

Artist \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ FL, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Number** \_\_\_\_ (e.g. 1, 2, 3, etc. depending on number of entries)

Sales Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

Photograph Title \_\_\_\_\_

Location where image was taken \_\_\_\_\_

Category     Florida – General     Florida Flora and Fauna     Jonathan Dickinson State Park  
                   Youth Florida Nature

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## **Release form**



**Only one form is needed to cover all entries.**

**Complete if photographer is under 18 years old.**

**Parent Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Release by the photographer:**

I do hereby make the following statements, release, assignments and assurances to Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc.:

I certify that I ("Photographer") am the person who took the photograph(s) submitted herewith (collectively, the "photograph(s)"), and I have not assigned any of my rights associated with the photographs to any third party and have sole, complete and unrestricted authority to enter into this release and to grant the rights described in this release.

I release Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. from any liability whatsoever that arises from their use of the photographs except for uses that violate the terms and conditions of this release.

I hereby grant Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. the royalty-free and nonexclusive right to use and publish the photographs on their website or in publications in conjunction with this contest. Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. also may use the photographs in other publications such as their website, in park brochures, in magazines, or for other marketing, promotional, and educational uses with a photo credit including the © symbol and naming the photographer (example - © John Doe). Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. recognize that the photographer owns the image and copyright to the photograph and shall neither claim, nor exercise any ownership rights thereto. Photographs may be shared with the media in conjunction with this contest only while making the media aware of the copyright ownership and requesting that such media use the images in conjunction with the © symbol and photo credit as in the above example.

In the occasion that the photographer's work is chosen to be displayed in the Kimbell Center:

It is understood that artwork insurance shall not be provided by Jonathan Dickinson State Park or the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. and artwork insurance, if any, shall be obtained by the photographer.

It is also understood that Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. shall at all time exercise ordinary care in providing protection to the artwork, but shall assume no responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, or destruction to the artwork.

In consideration of the benefit accruing to the photographer and to members of the public, the photographer releases Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc. from liability for such loss, damage, or destruction of the artwork.

**Print (full name)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Photograph Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Model release form**



**This form should be used if adults or children appear in your photograph and are recognizable; please use one form per person in the photograph.**

**Photo Release for Adults (18 and over)**

I, being 18 years or older, hereby consent that the photographs in which I appear may be used by Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc., its assigns or successors, in whatever way they desire, including television without compensation. Furthermore, I hereby consent that such photographs shall be their property, and they shall have the right to sell, duplicate, reproduce, and make other lawful uses of such photographs free and clear of any claim whatever on my part in perpetuity.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand, in the State of Florida,

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Photo Release for Minors (under 18)**

I being Parent/Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, hereby consent that the photographs for which he/she posed may be used by Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Inc., its assigns or successors, in whatever way they desire, including television without compensation. Furthermore, I hereby consent that such photographs shall be their property, and they shall have the right to sell, duplicate, reproduce and make other uses of such photographs free and clear of any claim whatsoever on my part or my child's part, or by anyone who may claim by or through my child in perpetuity.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand, in the State of Florida,

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent \_\_\_\_\_

Name of child (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_