



**2010  
GIVE US YOUR BEST SHOT SANTA ROSA  
2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL AMATEUR PHOTO CONTEST  
ENTRY FORM**

This form must be submitted to register each photograph entered in the ***Give Us Your Best Shot Santa Rosa*** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Photo Contest. Completion of all fields are required.

Photographer's Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Street Address/	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	

***Release by the Photographer***

I have read over the rules and regulations, set forth below, of the City of Santa Rosa's Photo Contest and am submitting photograph(s) in accordance with them.

I hereby grant the City of Santa Rosa the royalty-free and nonexclusive right to distribute, publish and use the photograph(s) in publications to promote the City of Santa Rosa or to use as it sees fit. Photographer retains all copyrights to the winning photos.

By acceptance of this application to participate in the City of Santa Rosa's Photo Contest, the applicant (its officers, directors, agents, employees, representatives and/or members) agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless, the City of Santa Rosa, its officers, employees, volunteers or representatives, from and against any loss, claim of loss, injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury), damage (including, but not limited to, property damage), liability or other expense (including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees and costs), claimed by or resulting from a third party or the applicant (or any officer, director, agent, employee, representative of the applicant), that arises out of, or is in any manner related to, any act of failure to act by the applicant (its officers, directors, agent, employees, representatives, and/or members) in connection with the applicant's participation in this event.

I understand that the decision of the judges is final.

**Photo Entries**

We will be selecting a winner from one of the categories listed below. **Submissions with more than one entry per category will be rejected.**

<b>ADULT CATEGORIES</b>	<b>PHOTO TITLE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
Nature Scene		
My Neighborhood		
Garden		
A Day in the Life		
Best of Santa Rosa		
<b>YOUTH CATEGORIES (under 18)</b>	<b>PHOTO TITLE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
Favorite Place		
Fun Stuff		

Each person identifiable in the photograph will need a City of Santa Rosa Photo Release Waiver. If participant is under 18 years of age, a Parent/Guardian must sign.

**WHEN AND WHERE TO ENTER**

Entries will be accepted starting **March 1, 2010** through **September 1, 2010**.

You may also mail or hand-deliver your entry along with the application form and completed waiver as follows: **City Manager’s Office, City of Santa Rosa, Room 10, Santa Rosa, CA 95404; Attn: Photo Contest.** If you mail or hand-deliver your entry, please make sure to download your digital photo onto a CD and attach it to your entry and waiver forms. If you have any questions, please email [photocontest@srcity.org](mailto:photocontest@srcity.org). For more detailed information, please refer to the Official Photo Contest Rules following the Photo Release and Waiver form below.

Photographer Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Must Sign** \_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_ *(if Photographer is under 18.)*

Parent/Guardian (print)\_\_\_\_\_

# Amateur Photo Contest

## PHOTO RELEASE AND WAIVER

**Name:** *Give Us Your Best Shot Santa Rosa!*  
2nd Annual Amateur Photo Contest

**Date:** **March 1, 2010 through September 1, 2010**

I hereby grant permission to the City of Santa Rosa to use my likeness and/or that of my child/children and/or family, whether through the use of photographs, film, videotape, or other media (webpage), for City promotional and public outreach purposes. I understand that my likeness may be used in City publications, literature, the internet, or other visual means that the City may choose to use to promote the City, its various departments, and its activities.

In connection with the above paragraph, I hereby release and waive any claim I may have against the City of Santa Rosa, its officers, agents or employees.

Name of participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian or minor child/children (print please):

\_\_\_\_\_

Address of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Participant or Parent/Guardian if Participant is a Minor:

\_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2010 OFFICIAL PHOTO CONTEST RULES

The City of Santa Rosa is hosting it's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Amateur Photography Contest to showcase and promote the best of our community through the use of photographs.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You must be an AMATEUR photographer, i.e., photography has never contributed significantly to your income.
- Amateur photographers of any age may enter the Photo Contest as long as the photograph was taken in the City of Santa Rosa.
- All photos must be taken in the City of Santa Rosa.
- The City of Santa Rosa is not responsible for entries lost, delayed or damaged.
- All photos must be original and taken by the entrant.
- Each photographer must:
  - Provide a completed and signed Entry Form;
  - Provide a completed and signed Photo Release and Waiver Form; and
  - Have read Photo Contest Rules & Regulations.
- If a contestant **is under the age of 18**, a parent or legal guardian must complete and sign the Entry Form and the Photo Release Form.
- **Model/Portrait Release:** Photographs that include recognizable people must include a signed Photo Release and Waiver form before the photograph will be accepted into the photo contest and displayed. The Photo Release and Waiver form must be attached to the Photo Entry form. If under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must sign a release in order for the photo(s) to be eligible for use in City publications or on the City's website.
- **Submit one (1) photo for each category. Please note that submissions with more than one entry per category will be rejected.**

- Please select from the following categories for the City of Santa Rosa Photo Contest:

**Adult Categories:**

1. Nature Scene
2. My Neighborhood
3. Garden
4. A Day in the Life
5. Best of Santa Rosa

**Youth Categories (under 18):**

1. Favorite Place
2. Fun Stuff

The Contest is subject to these official rules, and by entering, all participants agree to be bound by the terms and conditions herein.

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All eligible entries must be received before 5:30 p.m., September 1, 2010. Winners will be notified no later than November 15, 2010.

**PHOTO FORMAT**

Only digital photos will be accepted and may be submitted electronically by emailing them to [photocontest@srcity.org](mailto:photocontest@srcity.org), along with the completed entry form and waiver.

- Digital photos must meet the following requirements:
  - File format must be JPEG with minimum compression (highest quality setting).
  - Image Size: Images must be of resolution sufficient for an 8 x 10 **or** 8 x 12 print.
  - Suggested minimum resolution for an 8 x 10 would be 1600 x 2400 pixels (approx. 3.8 megapixels).
  - For an 8 x 12, it would be 1600 x 3000 pixels (approx. 4.8 megapixels).

- If submitting by email, your total message size must be no larger than image files must be no larger than 20mb.
- Minor digital enhancements for cropping, red-eye removal and filters are permitted, but images that have been judged to be altered in any significant manner will be disqualified. Contestants are not permitted to place borders, frames or backgrounds around their images or to place watermarks, dates, signatures or copyright images onto photos.

## **JUDGING**

Judges will base their decisions on the following criteria:

- Photo must be taken in the City of Santa Rosa.
- Lighting, composition, creativity and storytelling are considered in the decision making.
- Obscene, inflammatory or offensive photos are ineligible.
- Winners will be recognized and prizes awarded at a City Council meeting and the winners names will be released to the local media.
- Decision of the judges is final.

## **USE OF PHOTOS**

- Entry materials will not be returned.
- The City of Santa Rosa reserves the right to use all entries; they will not be returned and will become the property of the City of Santa Rosa. These photo(s) can be used in perpetuity without compensation to photographer. When possible, photo credit will be given to the photographer when image is used in print mediums.