

The Light & Lens
Photography
Competition & Exhibition
November 7,8,9, 2025
Community Art Center
1250 E. Rexford
Centralia, IL 62881

For more information call: Gayle Erxleben (618-339-3366)

For Entry Form Go To:

SCHEDULE

October 25	Entry deadline (Entry form must be received by 10/25/24). Entries received after that date will not be accepted.
November 3-6	Deliver entries to Community Art Center between 10:00am - 4:00pm
November 6	Set up show at 6:00pm.
November 7	Opening reception, critique & awards 7:00pm
November 8-9	Exhibit open 1:00-3:00pm. Please pick up your work at this time.

AWARDS

Cash prize and ribbons for Best of Show and 1st place in each category. Best of Show...\$60.00 First place in each category...\$35.00. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place as well as Honorable mention

ELIGIBILITY AND RULES

1. The open categories are for all ages and requires an entry fee.
2. All works must have been completed within the last five years.
3. Works must not have been previously entered in a L&L Photography Exhibit.
4. All photographs must have frames with wire hangers. No saw tooth hangers, tape, string, or any type of hanger deemed unsafe will be allowed and will be disqualified for entry.
5. All entries must be labeled on back with Artist's name, Title, Category, and Price or NFS (not for sale).
6. All entries must be titled. Untitled entries will be disqualified.
7. Photographs delivered but not entered by the specified date will not be accepted or exhibited.
8. A 10% commission will be charged on all artwork sold at a show.
9. Pick up of entries will be at the close of the exhibit on Sunday at 3:00pm. Special arrangements can be made for later pickup. We will not be responsible for entries or awards after 7 days.
10. Size limit of 36'' in any dimension. If larger, the artist must supply display stand or easel.
11. Entry(ies) not meeting all of the above requirements will not be exhibited.

LIABILITY

All possible care will be taken to ensure the safety of entries; however, neither the Centralia Art Center or the Light & Lens Club, will be responsible for loss or damage to work.

Photography Categories

Photographs in all categories except digitally enhanced (DE), must **not** be digitally enhanced. Cropping, resizing, and minor exposure adjustments are permitted. Each image will be subject to the judge's scrutiny as to whether the image is considered traditional photography or photo art (DE).

- 1 – Flora: Flowers and other growing things
- 2 – Animal: Pets, wild life, insects, birds, etc.
- 3 – Scenic: Nature; with or without buildings, structures, or people
- 4 – Architecture: Buildings or any other man made structure
- 5 – Digitally Enhanced (DE); Images that have been heavily digitally manipulated, painted, and or in any way altered from the original image. Software filters, special effects, and generative fill are examples of manipulations that make the image “digitally enhanced”. Adding or deleting elements to the photo are prohibited. No use of AI is allowed.
- 6 – Black and White (B&W): Any photograph taken or processed in black and white or grayscale
- 7 – Portrait: People photographed to highlight them.
- 8—Still Life: all kinds of inanimate (man made or natural objects) such as cut flowers, fruit, vegetables, wine, etc.) objects arranged in a specific way.

A Copy of Your Entries for your Records

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| 1. Title: | Medium | Category No | Price |
| 2. Title: | Medium | Category No | Price |
| 3. Title: | Medium | Category No | Price |
| 4. Title: | Medium | Category No | Price |

Light & Lens Club Members only:

5, Title: _____ Medium _____ Category _____

No _____ Price _____

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(Must be received by October 25, 2025)

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

ENTRIES: PLEASE use titles short in length

1. Title: _____ Medium _____ Category No. _____ Price \$ _____

2. Title: _____ Medium _____ Category No. _____ Price \$ _____

3. Title: _____ Medium _____ Category No. _____ Price \$ _____

4. Title: _____ Medium _____ Category No. _____ Price \$ _____

Members only:

5. Title: _____ Medium _____ Category No. _____ Price \$ _____

ENTRY FEES

Light & Lens Club Members

Up to 5 items-----\$30.00 \$ _____

Non-members

Up to 4 items-----\$30.00 \$ _____

To qualify for the member rate:

Join The Light & Lens Club

\$10 yearly dues or \$15 for family \$ _____

Total Submitted _____ \$ _____

Make check payable to Light & Lens Club

Mail to The Light & Lens Club

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