

NJAA/Angus Journal Photography Contest

Junior Angus members interested in entering this year's photo contest must have entries postmarked by May 15. Late entries will not be accepted.

- ▶ This year's deadline is May 15, allowing adequate time for judging and prepping the photos for display at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Tulsa, Okla., July 13-18.
- ▶ An 8×10-inch (in.) or 10×8-in. print mounted according to the rules is required. In addition to the mounted print, digital photo entries must be submitted electronically on CD or DVD as well.
- ▶ The rules also specify that photos be mounted on a 10×14-in. black foam core board. Photos should not be matted or framed.

See additional rules on page 44 of the February 2015 *Angus Journal*.

All National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) members are invited to enter the annual photography contest co-sponsored by the NJAA and the *Angus Journal*. The purpose of this contest is to help NJAA members increase their communication skills through the creative display of a message or feeling through photography.

Photos of Angus cattle or breeders, farms, ranches, shows, sales or scenes will be judged on creativity and composition. The "around the farm or ranch" category provides the opportunity to enter photographs that highlight activities and scenes around the farm or ranch, but that do not necessarily have Angus cattle in the photograph. The other three categories — Angus cattle, landscape and people — are intended for photos that focus on Angus cattle or people.

A panel of qualified judges will critique the photographs using the following criteria:

- 60% — creativity, communication power and composition of photo;
- 40% — technical quality of the photo, such as proper light exposure, true color, sharp focus and correct cropping.

Winners will be selected in three age divisions: 9 to 13; 14 to 17; and 18 to 21 years (as of Jan. 1 of the current year). Prizes will be: 1st, \$30; 2nd, \$20; and 3rd, \$10. Photographs will be displayed at the 2015 NJAS in Tulsa. As space allows, winning photos will be printed as part of the NJAS coverage in the *Angus Journal*.

See winning photos of the past six contests by visiting www.api-virtuallibrary.com and selecting the "NJAA Photo Contest" option in the "Angus Online" pull-down menu. Click on the category title to see the photos in that category.

In 1992, the NJAA and the *Angus Journal* collaborated to create this contest. It was instituted to give NJAA members an opportunity to submit photos for publication. Editor Shauna Rose Hermel will select from all entries photos to be scanned and kept as stock photos for possible use in future issues of the *Angus Journal*.

The *Angus Journal* Facebook page's Fan Favorite Photo Contest gives entries more exposure. Fans of the *Angus Journal* page vote on the top photos in each age division.

The winners of each age division will be the cover photo of the Facebook page.

For tips from last year's judges, see page 150 in the September 2014 *Angus Journal*.



2015 Junior Angus Photo Contest Entry Form

Name _____ Member code _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Age as of Jan. 1, 2015:

9-13 _____ 14-17 _____ 18-21 _____

Photo category (circle one):

Angus cattle Landscape People Around the farm or ranch

Location/event where photo was taken _____

Photo title _____

Note: All human subjects, including minor children, must give permission for use in photo.