

NJAA / Angus Journal



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 Indianapolis, Ind., July 6-12.
- ▶ 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 below.

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:

NJAA / Angus Journal Photography Contest Rules

1. Contestants must be members of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA).
2. All work must be that of the entrant.
3. Photos are to be 8×10-inch (in.) color or black-and-white prints mounted on a 10×14-in. black foam core board. Photos should not be matted or framed. Mount the completed entry form on the back side, in the upper left-hand corner of the foam core board. Entry forms may be duplicated. The forms can be found on the NJAA website at www.njaa.info, or you may contact the Junior Activities Department to obtain forms.
4. Photos must have been taken by the contestant during the past year. Photos may not be altered or image-enhanced in any way; this includes any editing tools, including Instagram. Contestants are encouraged to use 35 millimeter cameras.
5. Photos taken in a digital format should also be submitted on a CD or DVD. The photo should be saved at a minimum of 300 dpi at a 4×5-in. or 5×4-in. size, and 300 dpi at an 8×10-in. is preferred. Multiple juniors from the same family may submit only one CD/DVD with all entries from the family.
6. Photos may not have been presented for competition at a previous National Junior Angus Show (NJAS).
7. There will be three age divisions: ages 9 to 13; ages 14 to 17; and ages 18 to 21 (use contestant's age as of Jan. 1 of the current year).
8. There will be four subject categories: Angus cattle, landscape, people, and around the farm or ranch. Contestants may enter only one photo per category. Each entry may apply to no more than one subject category. The contestant should declare

in what subject category the photo is to be judged, as the photograph is representative of the contestant's interpretation of the category. Judges, however, reserve the right to move an entry to a more suitable category. Should the contestant already have a photograph in the more suitable subject category, judges are empowered to disqualify a photograph from competition. Further explanation of the subject categories is listed below.

Angus cattle — Photographs that highlight Angus cattle on the farm or ranch or at an Angus event. The cattle should be the dominant focus of the picture.

Landscape — Photographs that focus on scenery around the farm or ranch. Angus cattle should be included in the photo.

People — Photographs that show an Angus junior and/or family, friends, fellow junior members, etc., either involved in activities on the farm or ranch or at an Angus event.

Around the farm or ranch — Photographs that highlight activities and scenes around the farm or ranch.

9. A maximum of four entries per contestant is allowed.
10. Photos become the property of the American Angus Association and the *Angus Journal* for use in publication and promotion.
11. Entries must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service by **May 15**.
12. Send your entry to: American Angus Association, Junior Activities Department, Attn: Photo Contest, 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506-2997.

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

Photography Contest

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 2014 NJAS in Indianapolis. As space allows, winning photos will be printed as part of the NJAS coverage in the *Angus Journal*.

You can see winning photos of the past four 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 recognized at the NJAS and each winner will be the cover photo of the Facebook page.

Visit the Fan Favorite Contest photo albums at www.facebook.com/AngusJournal to see last year's entries and winners.

For tips from last year's judges, see page 198 in the August 2013 *Angus Journal*.



2014 Junior Angus Photo Contest Entry Form

Name _____ Member code _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Age as of Jan. 1, 2014:

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 _____

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