

Hometown History Photography Contest Rules

The Hometown History Photo Contest is an exciting opportunity for students to showcase the rich history and heritage of Ogdensburg through photography. This contest encourages participants to explore their community and capture unique and meaningful images that tell a story about Ogdensburg's past. Whether it's a **historic landmark**, a **local tradition**, or a **significant event**, these photos provide a glimpse into the past and help preserve the memories and traditions of a community. The contest not only celebrates the history of our city but also promotes a sense of pride and connection among its residents. It's a wonderful way to bring people together and appreciate the unique history of Ogdensburg.

The Ogdensburg History Museum's First Annual Student Photo Contest begins **February 5, 2024, and ends March 6, 2024**, at 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time. By submitting an entry, each contestant agrees to the rules of the contest.

Who may enter: category prizes are open to photographers who are 12-18 years old.

Winners will receive:

Grand Prize: \$100

Second Place: \$50

Third Place: \$25

People's Choice: \$25

Suggested Subjects: (You are **NOT** limited to these subjects)

- Battle of Ogdensburg
- Oswegatchie Pumphouse
- Armory
- Old Arsenal (LaFayette St.)
- Robert C. McEwen Custom House
- Fort la Presentation Site
- Lighthouse

To be eligible, a photograph must have been shot by the student.

Cropped photos are eligible. Minor adjustments, including the removal of sensor dust or scratches on scans of negatives, dodging and burning, sharpening, contrast, toning, slight color adjustment and conversion to grayscale are acceptable. The addition and subtraction of objects is not permitted.

For a photo in which a person is recognizable, you must be prepared to provide a model release from the subject or, in the case of a minor, the subject's parent or guardian, to the Ogdensburg History Museum upon request.

Photos must be taken in accordance with federal, state and local laws.

Photos that violate or infringe upon another person's rights, including but not limited to copyright, are not eligible.

How to enter:

Please submit photographs and requested information online through our [Google Form](#).

You may submit up to 5 photographs for the contest.

In order to be displayed in our online gallery without being stretched or distorted, photographs must be submitted in .jpeg, .jpg or .gif format, at least 2,000 pixels wide and no larger than 10 MB.

You must complete a separate form for each photo submitted.

We do not accept photographs submitted through the mail and do not accept more than one contestant per e-mail address. High-quality scans of non-digital photographs are acceptable. Digital photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible.

Finalists must be prepared to submit an original, unedited digital file or an original negative, print or slide. Original negatives, prints or slides will be returned to finalists. The Ogdensburg History Museum reserves the right to disqualify incomplete entries and/or contestants who are unable to submit, upon request, a high-resolution photograph. Mobile photographs are exempt from this size requirement but must be submitted at their highest resolution upon request.

You retain your rights to your photograph; however, by entering the contest, you grant the Ogdensburg History Museum a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion of the museum and its website, exhibition, and commercial products (this includes any sales of products utilizing the photograph). Any photograph reproduced will include a photographer credit as feasible. The Ogdensburg History Museum will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such uses.

Use of your personal data:

Participation in the contest requires the collection of your name and email address. By entering this contest, you are consenting to the use of your name and email address for further communications regarding this contest.

Judging:

Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, responsiveness to the prompt and overall impact.

The Ogdensburg History Museum will notify winners via the contact information provided at the time of entry; the Ogdensburg History Museum may disqualify anyone who fails to respond to the notification within five business days.

Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

Model Release

I understand that I appear in a photograph or photographs taken by _____, and I give _____ permission to use my name and that photographic likeness in his or her entry to the Ogdensburg History Museum's Annual Photo Contest.

I also hereby give the Ogdensburg History Museum (and those authorized by the Ogdensburg History Museum) a royalty-free, world-wide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to publicly display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of that entry (including my name and photographic likeness), in whole or in part, in any media now existing or later developed, for any purpose, including, but not limited to, advertising and promotion of the magazine and its website, exhibition, and commercial products, including but not limited to Ogdensburg History publications.

I understand that I shall not receive any compensation for these uses and that the Ogdensburg History Museum is under no obligation to use the entry in any way. I waive any claim or right of action arising out of the uses described in this release.

Print Name:

Address:

E-mail:

Telephone:

Signature:

Date:

If Model is under 18:

I, _____, am the parent/legal guardian of the individual named above, I have read this release and approve of its terms.

Print Name:

Address:

E-mail:

Telephone:

Signature:

Date:
