

TEEN PHOTO CHALLENGE ENTRY RULES

OVERVIEW:

- Co-sponsored by the Simsbury Public Library & the Simsbury Camera Club.
- Open to Teens 12-19 years old. Limited to Simsbury residents and Simsbury students.
- Contestants may submit up to THREE photos in black & white or color in any category of their choice.
- **Each image must have a title and a signed release form.** This form can either be downloaded at simsburylibrary.info/teen-photo-contest/ or picked up at the Simsbury Public Library Information Desk.

GUIDELINES:

- You can not include any material copyrighted by others or commercial clip art elements.
 - Images must be your own and in good taste.
 - Images must be appropriate for family viewing. The following items will not be permitted: nudity, guns or other weapons, items or scenes that portray violence, and profanity.
- Any image of a recognizable individual(s) must have their signed approval on the release to submit the image. In the case of minors, a parent must sign consent on the Release Form. No photographs of houseless people will be allowed nor accepted for contest.
- There is no makeup if an image is disqualified for not following any guidelines.
- By entering the Challenge, you are agreeing that the Library and the Simsbury Camera Club may publicly share your name and your entry including but not limited to their websites and social media pages.
- Images must be submitted as an unmounted 8x10 print. The picture may be smaller, but still must be printed on 8x10 photo paper. Do not add your name or watermark to the image.
- Digital enhancements may be used.

TIMELINE:

- Challenge Kick-Off – **March 1-29, 2026**
- Drop off your prints at the Library's Information Desk – **March 30 - April 20, 2026**
- Winners selected and notified by – **April 24, 2026**
- Non-winning prints can be picked up from **May 2 - June 1, 2025**. Prints not picked up will be discarded.
- Prints will be on display throughout May in the Lower Level East Gallery.

AWARDS RECEPTION:

Join us on **April 30, 6:30-7:30 pm** for light refreshments and prize awards. Reception is open to all contestants, winners, families, and friends. All winners are encouraged to attend, however, you do not have to be present to win.

PRIZES:

- First place (1 winner) - \$60 Amazon gift card
- Second place (1 winner) - \$40 Amazon gift card
- 3 honorable mention awards - \$25 Amazon gift card
- All winners will receive ribbons and certificates.

For further information, please contact Teen Services Librarian, Mary Richardson:

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