

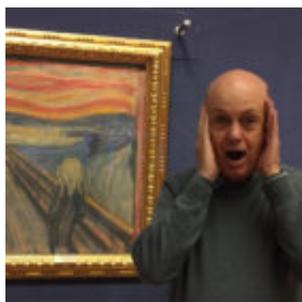
Pic Darien Photo Contest Accepting Photos Until May 16

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The Darien Arts Center is announcing the return of its smartphone photography contest fundraiser, Pic Darien.

In 2017, the contest garnered over 300 entries, with submissions from all ages. This year, contestants may submit their smartphone photos for cash prizes in 6 categories at darienarts.org until May 16.

— *an announcement from Darien Arts Center*

The contest is open to all; there are no age restrictions and contestants are not required to live in Darien.

Participants may enter either as a student, age 17 and under, or as an adult, age 18 and over, in one of six themed prize categories including People and Pets, Landscape and Nature, Travel: Near and Far, Food, Humor and Abstract.

The fee to enter the contest is \$10 per photo. Contestants may enter multiple times. First place and honorable mention cash prizes will be awarded to students and adults in all categories. First place prizes are \$100 and honorable mention prizes are \$50.

“We know that there are a lot of talented people out there, including kids of all ages, who are taking fabulous photos with their phones. We’ve seen an explosion of incredible photography on social media,” said Amy Allen, executive director of the Darien Arts Center.

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“We are happy to make Pic Darien an annual event giving exposure to a new collection of photos each year.”

Award-winning photographer, filmmaker, and TV producer Jeffrey Wyant, will judge the show, which is sponsored by Nola Physical Therapy and Performance, E.C. Scott, Blue Wave Taco, Blue Wave Orthodontics, Big Shots Custom Framing and Photolab and Beautycounter.

An Award and Reveal Reception open to the public, with refreshments and a slide show of all photo contest entries, will take place at the DAC Weatherstone Studio on Friday, June 1.

To find out more about the Pic Darien contest, visit darienarts.org or call (203) 655-8683. The DAC is located at 2 Renshaw Road, behind the Darien Town Hall.