



# Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers 2012 National Juried Nature and Fine Art Photography Exhibit

September 8-October 14, 2012

Deadline July 2, 2012



You are invited to enter the National Juried Nature and Fine Art Photography Exhibit sponsored by the Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers (BRMP) and the Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association (The Art Center). Monetary prizes totaling \$2,000 will be awarded. The exhibit will be on display in The Art Center's Richard Low Evans Gallery, located in the picturesque mountain town of Blue Ridge, Georgia, during the Fall Arts in the Park Festival. The juried show is open to all photographers, both amateur and professional, and all original photographic media, including film and digital images.

The judge for this year's show will be Paul Dunlap, Assistant Professor of Visual Art at North Georgia College & State University where he teaches film and digital photography and color theory. Paul's creative interests include alternative photographic processes in which he blends the use of traditional film with contemporary digital approaches. Currently his work is a mix of photography and fabric as he composes photographic portraits in patterns inspired by traditional Appalachian quilt patterns. Dunlap has shown his work throughout the Southeast and in national media outlets such as CNN.

## Entry Requirements

- Photographers may submit up to three images for an entry fee of \$40 (\$35, BRMP members). Entries submitted by the early bird deadline of June 1 have an entry fee of \$35 (\$30, members).
- Entries must be designated as Nature or Fine Art on the entry form. The Nature subject category includes, but is not limited to, wildlife, landscapes, waterscapes, plant materials and abstracts in nature. Work submitted in the Nature category must have **no elements of mankind** (which include but are not limited to buildings, fences, roads, signs and domesticated animals) and cannot be subject composites. Combined multiple exposures for HDR or panoramas are allowed. The Fine Art category includes, but is not limited to cityscapes, landscapes (including structures), portraits, abstracts and florals or plant life. Subject composites and fine art techniques are acceptable in this category.
- Digital images of the work to be submitted should be in the form of **JPEG files on CDs**. Images should be approximately 1800 pixels by 1200 pixels (6 inches x 4 inches) and print quality (about 300 ppi). Raw files may be requested by the jurors. **Note:** All image files must be entitled with photographer's last name, first initial and the entry's title. This information must match the title and name on the entry form.
- All entries must be an original photograph made by the submitting photographer during the previous 2 years. No submissions from previous BRMP competitions, nor photographs previously displayed in the Richard Low Evans Gallery, will be accepted.
- Submitted images will be viewed by jurors who will select the photographs accepted for the exhibit. The accepted entries will be judged on technical and artistic merits as determined by the judge, who will choose the prize winners.

**Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association (The Art Center)**  
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- Complete the official entry form and **make a copy** for your records. Sizes of submitted work must be the full, finished size of the piece. Sign the form and send it to the address below. Be sure to include the CD, which will not be returned.
- Include a check or money order payable to Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers for the appropriate amount (see above).
- Notification of acceptance will be sent by **email**. Please make sure your correct email address is included on the entry form. To ensure the email is not blocked, add
- Add [brmpnatshow@yahoo.com](mailto:brmpnatshow@yahoo.com) to your address book.
- Mail entries to:  
Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers  
c/o Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association  
420 West Main Street  
Blue Ridge, GA 30513

## Submitting Accepted Work

For those images that are accepted into the exhibit by the jurors : The **only** acceptable forms of display are photographs that have been matted and framed behind glass or acrylic, printed on canvas and gallery wrapped (framed or unframed), or dry mounted onto foamboard and wrapped. If the mounted form of display is **not wired for hanging it is not acceptable**. Matted-only pieces are **not** acceptable. Hanging methods other than wiring cannot be used. Photographs that do not meet these criteria will **not** be accepted into the exhibit and will be returned to the photographer.

The photographer's name, the work's title and price must be on the back of the finished piece and must match the information on the entry form. The size of the entry must match the finished size on the entry form. No entry may be larger than **48"x 48"** (including mat and frame). Entries that are to be shipped must have acrylic glazing. Glass is permitted in entries hand delivered to The Art Center.

All work submitted **must be for sale**. A sales commission of 35% (30% for Art Center members) will be retained by The Art Center for all work sold during the course of the show. The 7% Georgia sales tax will be added at the point of sale. All work must remain in the gallery through the exhibition dates.

**Hand deliver** uncrated photographs to the Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association (The Art Center), 420 West Main Street, Blue Ridge, Georgia, only on Saturday, September 1, 2012, from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Hand delivered work must be picked up on Monday, October 15, 2012, from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

**Shipped work** is due to the agent between August 15-29 and will be handled by The Mailbox Co. , 2800 Scenic Drive, Suite 4, Blue Ridge, Georgia 30513. For shipping questions, please contact Frank or Tonya Van Houten by phone: (706) 946-7447, fax: (706) 946-7448, or email: [themailboxco@aol.com](mailto:themailboxco@aol.com). The agent fee is \$35 for the first photograph per photographer and an additional \$10 for each additional photograph. Photographers may **not** ship their work together and the name on the return address label must match the name on the back of each piece in the box as well as the name on the entry form. Do not under any circumstance ship your artwork to the Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association. Please remember to enclose your prepaid return shipping label inside your container.

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## Liability

Neither the Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers (BRMP) nor the Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association (The Art Center) nor their representatives will be held responsible for lost or damaged CDs or photographs. All reasonable precautions will be taken to ensure protection of submitted work upon receipt. No liability can be assumed by BRMP or The Art Center during the exhibition or storage for damage incurred or loss of work while in transit or at exhibition. Artists are advised to arrange their own shipping and exhibition insurance.

## Important Dates:

Early Entry Deadline	Postmarked by June 1, 2012
Entry Deadline	Postmarked by July 2, 2012
Notification of Acceptance	By August 1, 2012
Shipped photographs due	August 15-29, 2012
Hand deliveries due	On September 1, 2012 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)
Reception/Awards	September 8, 2012 (5-7 p.m.)
Show open to public	September 8-October 14, 2012
Photography pick up	October 15, 2012 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)
Shipped artwork returned	October 22-26, 2012

## Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers

Founded in 2009, the Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers operates as a non-profit organization under the umbrella of the Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association (The Art Center). Our mission is to help amateur and professional photographers enjoy the beauty, culture and character of the Blue Ridge Mountains through the lens of a camera. Membership is open to amateur and professional photographers of all levels and requires membership in the Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association. Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers meet on the first Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in The Art Center in downtown Blue Ridge, Georgia. Visit us online at [www.blueridgemountainphotographers.com](http://www.blueridgemountainphotographers.com).

### Contact Information:

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## Entry Form

### Mail entries to:

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420 West Main Street  
Blue Ridge, GA 30513

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(address/city/state/zip)

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Entry 1:

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Category (circle one): Nature      Fine Art

Price \_\_\_\_\_

Finished size \_\_\_\_ in. high x \_\_\_\_ in. wide

### Entry 2:

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Category (circle one): Nature      Fine Art

Price \_\_\_\_\_

Finished size \_\_\_\_ in. high x \_\_\_\_ in. wide

### Entry 3:

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Category (circle one): Nature      Fine Art

Price \_\_\_\_\_

Finished size \_\_\_\_ in. high x \_\_\_\_ in. wide

## Agreement

Submitting an entry form to this exhibition constitutes an agreement on the part of the artist with all conditions set forth in this prospectus. No work accepted for the exhibition may be withdrawn before the close of the exhibition.

**After acceptance, the photographer cannot substitute another work for the accepted one, change the title or the sale price.**

The Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers and The Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association maintain the authority to view actual work and review acceptance.

### Statement of agreement:

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless The Blue Ridge Mountain Photographers and The Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association, their officers, agents, employees and trustees from any loss or damage to any work of art submitted to this exhibition and acknowledge that each artist must carry his/her own insurance. The Art Center reserves the right to photograph/reproduce artwork for publicity/exhibition purposes without compensation. Artists who fail to exhibit, if accepted, will not be eligible to exhibit in this show for three years. If I receive an award, I understand I will furnish my social security number to the sponsor prior to award being paid.  
**No entry will be accepted without the photographer's signature on this release.**

### Photographer's signature:

\_\_\_\_\_

## Submission checklist

Entry packet must include:

Signed statement of agreement and completed entry form

Entry fee \$40, (\$35 for BRMP members) or early entry fee \$35 (\$30 for BRMP members)

CD with JPEG files of photographs

Please make and save a copy of this form!