



A Day in the Life of Wilson Photo Contest

What makes the City of Wilson a great place to live? Show off what you like best about Wilson in pictures as part of the *A Day in the Life of Wilson* Photo Contest.

The contest, co-sponsored by the City of Wilson and the Planning and Development Services Department, will highlight original amateur photographs taken in Wilson between September 1, 2009 and November 15, 2009. A panel of judges will select winners and award prizes for adult and youth tracks. All submissions have the potential to become part of the City of Wilson Comprehensive Plan or City documents, posters, and websites.

Deadline

We must receive all entries by **November 15, 2009**. Winners will be announced in early December.

Details

We seek creative striking photos that demonstrate what's great about the City of Wilson. Your entries might illustrate some of the following:

- City life
- Historic sites
- Community Events
- Neighborhoods
- Buildings
- Public spaces
- Cultural Resources
- Education
- Parks and Recreation
- Downtown
- Natural Resources
- Transportation



Awards

Adult and youth prizes

Six prize categories – Gold (First), Silver (Second), and Bronze (Third) – to be awarded (three youth/three adult). The winners in each category will have their photographs used prominently in the City's 20-year Comprehensive Plan and in other City publications. Additional prizes in each category donated by local organizations, including the Arts Council of Wilson and the City of Wilson Parks and Recreation Department.

General Rules

- All photographs must be taken in the City of Wilson.
- Participants must be residents of the City of Wilson
- All 18 and under contest participants must join the youth contest and have their forms submitted — or agreement to our online terms and conditions confirmed — by their parent or legal guardian.
- City of Wilson employees and their immediate family members are not eligible.
- All photographs must be taken between September 1, 2009 and November 15, 2009.
- Each participant must not submit more than three photos and is eligible to win only one prize.

Format

Entries may be color prints or black and white prints or high-resolution digital images. Read our guidelines for submitting your entry.

Participants may send digital images for the contest online, although you must agree to our terms and conditions before submitting. You also may save digital photographs on a CD and submit accompanied by a signed entry form for each image. Prints must be mailed with a completed and signed entry form(s) (see further instructions below). If you are submitting multiple entries, be sure to indicate clearly which form belongs with each photo. Entries must be received by the Planning and Development Services Department no later than November 15, 2009.



Digital images must be submitted via email in a JPEG format in a high resolution of at least 1024 x 768 pixels. (2000 or 3000 pixels wide preferred.) Typically, quality settings between 8 and 12 yield very good results. Panoramic photos are not eligible. Submissions may be in black and white or color. Digital images will not be returned. You must agree to the photo contest terms and conditions before you can submit your entry online.

Prints must be 4 x 6 inches or 5 x 7 inches and may be in color or black and white. Participants must attach a label to the back of each print with their name and address. If submitting multiple entries, number each print (on the back) to match a corresponding entry form. Prints will not be returned. Mail prints and accompanying entry form(s) — one form per picture, please! — to the address provided.

Enter the Contest

Complete one entry form per picture submittal (limit 3), and send them to the addresses provided.

Mail in entry submittal form: Send completed entry form and photo print by mail to:

A Day in the Life of Wilson Photo Contest
112 Goldsboro Street
P.O. Box 10
Wilson, NC 27894

Online entry submittal form: Send completed online entry form and digital photo as attachments to: wilsonphotocontest@gmail.com

Use Rights

Entries must be submitted by the original photographer. Photos will be credited to the photographer named in the entry form in initial publicity, although the agency may not always run photo credits in all subsequent uses.

Submission of the photo and signature on the entry form grants the City of Wilson and the Planning and Development Services Department unlimited rights to use the images in perpetuity. Some of the uses of any submitted photo, regardless of whether it wins the contest, may include: 1) City of Wilson 2030 Comprehensive Plan; 2) publishing the



image in Planning and Development Services Department or City of Wilson brochures, plan documents, and other publications; 3) displaying the photo at one of our City buildings; 4) displaying the photo at public events, such as the county fair; 5) posting a low-res copy of the image at our website; and 6) other uses to be determined.

Entries will never be used by the Planning and Development Services Department or the City of Wilson for profit. In the event that ownership of any photograph submitted is contested in any manner, the department retains the right to disqualify that photograph. No entries will be returned, and no additional fees or other forms of compensation beyond an initial contest award will be forthcoming. In future uses, we may crop, rotate, or otherwise alter images to fit various formats.

Restrictions

1. Images must be appropriate for display by a public agency, and we will disqualify obscene, provocative, or otherwise questionable content. Planning and Development Services Department and the City of Wilson retain sole discretion as to what constitutes inappropriate content.
2. Photographers must obtain consent from all readily identifiable people pictured.
3. Professional photographers (who make more than 50 percent of their annual salary through photography or have been widely published) are not eligible.
4. Images should not be digitally enhanced or contain artistic features such as watermarks, borders and digital filters.
5. Each entrant cannot submit more than three photos and is eligible to win only one prize.

Judging

A diverse panel of judges comprised of experts in visual arts will rate images on the basis of creativity, photographic quality, and their ability to tell a positive story about Wilson. The judges will evaluate all entries. Entries that fail to comply with contest rules will be disqualified. Winners will be notified approximately 2-3 weeks after the contest deadline using the contact information on the entry form.

