



BC Goes Wild Weekend Photo Contest 2019

Overview

WildSafeBC is a program delivered by the not-for-profit BC Conservation Foundation (BCCF). WildSafeBC is the provincial leader in preventing conflict with wildlife through collaboration, education and community solutions. This photo contest is one of the events taking place in British Columbia during WildSafeBC's 4th Annual BC Goes Wild Weekend taking place in the month of September. WildSafeBC encourages BC residents and visitors to celebrate the wide diversity of wildlife in BC and be WildSafe when living, working, playing and growing in wildlife country.

Categories

1. WildSafe Wildlife Photos – Photos taken of wildlife that abide by WildSafeBC's Photography Ethics.
2. WildSafe Activity Photos – Photos taken of humans taking actions to avoid conflict with wildlife. Examples include: recreating while carrying bear spray, packing out garbage, securing attractants where you live, work, play or grow.
3. WildSafe Ranger Photos – Photos taken by youth ages 13-17 in either category.

Prizes

Winning photos will be selected for each category based on composition, overall impact, and technical quality. There will be one winner selected per category and they will be awarded their \$100 prize by December 31, 2019. There will be a limit of one prize per person. Odds of winning will depend on the number of eligible photos received.

Submissions

Submit photos by September 30th, 2019 by completing the online form at:

Submitted photos should be labelled as follows: category_description_photographer's name_date taken

Eligibility

The contest is open to Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. All Entrants must be 19 years of age or have the permission of their legal guardian.

Rules

Photos must be taken in British Columbia between January 1st, 2019 and September 30th, 2019.

Photos should be high resolution with limited alterations and not include any watermarks or other markings.

The Entrant must provide their name and contact information and only submit photos they have personally taken that also abide by WildSafeBC's Photographer's Code of Ethics (see below).



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Photos of people must also include a signed model release form for each person depicted. For youth under 19 years of age, the form should be digitally signed by their legal guardian.

Each entrant may submit up to 10 photos in each category.

Copyright

The Entrant retains the copyright of the photo. By submitting this photo, the Entrant understands and hereby grants to the British Columbia Conservation Foundation (BCCF) the right to reproduce, use, exhibit, display, broadcast, distribute and create derivative works of the photographed images taken by me, for use in connection with the activities of the BCCF or for promoting, publicizing or explaining the BCCF or its activities. This grant includes, without limitation, the right to publish such images in BCCF publications and PR/promotional materials, including the website. These images may appear in any of the wide variety of formats and media now available to the BCCF and that may be available in the future, including but not limited to print, broadcast, videotape, CD-ROM, website and electronic/online media.

Personal Information

Personal Information collected from Entrants will be used to administer the Contest and in connection with the publication of winning photographs. The Entrant's information will not be shared with any third parties, except as necessary for the administration of the Contest or as may be required by law. WildSafeBC will not attempt to contact the Entrant for any other purpose than to administer the Contest.

Disputes

By entering this contest, the Entrant accepts and abides by the Contest Rules. In the event of any disagreement as to whether a person is an Entrant, a potential winner or a winner, or as to the qualification of any Entrant or the adequacy of any prize or any substitute prize, the decision of BCCF will be final.



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WildSafeBC Photographer Code of Conduct

Nature comes first. Do not contribute to human habituation or interfere with the animal's natural behaviour. Do not use calls to draw in wildlife. Avoid crowding the subject and use a long lens to maintain your distance.

Research your subject so as not to interfere with wildlife's routine needs such as feeding and raising young.

Be respectful of private property. Tread lightly and avoid damaging fragile ecosystems. Stay on trails if unsure.

Do not stop on highways or roads where speeds exceed 60km/hr unless there is an approved pullout. This can be unsafe for fellow motorists or for wildlife if they cross traffic.

Do not approach dangerous wildlife such as bears, cougars or wolves. If the animal is aware of your presence, it is better to leave the area slowly or seek the shelter of a structure or vehicle.

Never feed or bait wildlife to obtain a photo. This includes the use of salt which may have the unintentional consequence of spreading disease.



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