

San Diego Epiphyllum Society

Photography Contest



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General information for SDES Photography Contest:

- This is an exciting opportunity as it allows people to enter photographs.
- **You do not reside in San Diego County there are two ways you may enter your prints**
 - You may request submission of photographs via email.
 - Prior approval is required prior to submitting prints via electronic means. SDES reserves the right to not print photographs for any reason. The most common reasons for not printing photographs are low resolution image, improperly identified blooms or blurry subject
 - SDES will assume the cost of printing your photographs therefore your total submission will be limited to no more than 6 prints and not the 10 you are authorized to submitting if you were submitting printed photographs
 - SDES may re-formatted prints for printing if required
 - Prints may be submitted via email to the webmaster@sdepis.org from the 1st of October until the 2nd Monday in October
 - The email containing your photographs must include photographers name, phone number, name of the bloom(s) and category photograph is being entered in
 - You may mail your prints to SDES
 - Request mailing address from webmaster@sdepis.org. **Do not use SDES post office box address**
 - All prints must arrive prior to the start of the meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of October
 - Follow the rules cited below for submission of printed photographs
- To be eligible for the contest photographs must be displayed at the monthly meeting held the 2nd Wednesday in October
- To ensure we can properly identify entries the following information must be provided on the back of each printed photograph
- File name examples:
 - if a single bloom: the blooms name or if unregistered the parent's names
 - if a multi blooms: names of all blooms or if unregistered the parent's names in the photograph
- Because this is an anonymous contest while the bloom name may be on the photograph your name must not be on the photograph
- All contest winners will be on display in the November meeting
- Unclaimed photographs will not be returned unless arrangements have been made for postage
- Photographs printed at SDES expense will not be returned

General Contest Rules for all categories:

- You must be a member of the San Diego Epiphyllum Society (SDES) or any affiliates of the Epiphyllum Society of America (ESA) to enter photographs in the "Single Bloom" and "Multi Bloom" categories. "EpiArt" and "Miscellaneous" category are open to all photographers
- You must be the originator of the photographs
- Photographs must be of epiphyllum hybrids or epiphytic cacti species
- You are limited to a total of ten (10) photographs in the contest (total photographs in all categories)

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- Photographic format must be GIF, PNG or JPEG. Submitting emails are limited to 8MB each email. You may use multiple emails. Photograph should be high resolution
- Because our membership is international your general location (San Diego, Canberra, London, etc) would be interesting to know but is not required
- Photographs with misnamed hybrid or epiphytic cacti species will be disqualified or moved to the “Miscellaneous” category
- Any photographs that do not meet the rules of the “Single Bloom”, “Multi Bloom” or “EpiArt” categories will be moved to the “Miscellaneous” category.

General Rules for “Miscellaneous” and “EpiArt” categories

- You do not have to be a member of SDES, ESA or one of its affiliates to enter photographs in these two categories
- The purpose of the “EpiArt” category is to allow photographers to express their after photograph artistic abilities

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Specific Rules for the “EpiArt” category:

- Your photograph must have a title related to what the photograph depicts. Part of the judging process will be how closely your photograph depicts the title you have given it. Take a look at the [2019 “EpiArt” submissions](#) for examples of titled photographs.
- Main subject must be an epiphyllum flower, some part of an epiphyllum flower or some action occurring with the flower. For example, a bee inside an epiphyllum flower.
- Abstract renditions and the use of photographic software to manipulate or merge photographs are permissible.
- No nudity is permitted.

Specific Rules for the “Miscellaneous” category:

- Any photographs that do not meet the specific rules for other categories but are deemed worthy by the Judges to be displayed and judged.

Contest Judging

- Judging will be by a panel and will commence starting the 3rd Wednesday in October.
- Judging for “People’s Choice” is open to everyone — members and non-members alike. To facilitate the totaling of “People’s Choice” votes, the judging period for “People’s Choice” will be from the 3rd Wednesday in October until the 1st Wednesday in November.
- The Judges will not award ribbons until the contest closes the 1st Wednesday in November. Shortly after that time photographs will be prominently displayed on SDES website as photography contest winners and winners will be notified via email.

Awards and general information:

- Ribbons (Blue-1st, Red-2nd, White-3rd), and honorable mention (if deemed appropriate) will be awarded in the Single Flower, Multi Flower and “EpiArt” categories.
- Honorable mentions will be awarded in the “Miscellaneous” category.
- Ribbons will be awarded for “People’s Choice” and “President’s Choice.”
- Winning photographs will be published in *Epi News*, on the Society’s website. All submissions may be used in the Society’s social media and promotional material.
- First place winners of the “Single Bloom” and “Multi-Bloom” categories will also be featured as a cover photograph of *Epi News*.
- By entering this contest, you consent to having your photographs published in the SDES’s newsletters, website, on social media or used in promotional materials. See the document titled “Your Rights When Submitting Photographs” for full details.