



# People of Meaford

## 2023 PHOTO CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS

### **ELIGIBILITY**

All entries must be photographs taken in the Municipality of Meaford and include at least one person in the photo. The contest is open to all, except directors and employees of the Municipality of Meaford. Decisions of Municipality of Meaford will be final.

### **FORMAT**

Entries are to be digital photographs and submitted electronically. Content alteration of digital files is not acceptable, including combining multiple photos. Borders, frames, text, or other graphic treatments are not permitted. Staging subjects, cropping photos in addition to tonal or colour correction are acceptable.

**Finalists will be asked to submit a high-resolution file suitable for print reproduction.**

### **ENTRY**

Entries are to be submitted electronically via email to: [photos@meaford.ca](mailto:photos@meaford.ca). Multiple entries can be submitted from August 8, 2023, until November 24, 2023.

Save file as: #Category#YourName#Location#PhotoDescription

Entrants, who have large photo files that cannot be emailed, are required to send an email to [photos@meaford.ca](mailto:photos@meaford.ca) requesting a Google Drive link through which they can upload their photo.

### **CATEGORIES \*all entries must have at least one person in the photo to qualify**

#### **1. Accessible Meaford**

Examples: Capturing individuals using the ramp at Meaford Hall, browsing the shelves at the Meaford Public Library, or using the lift at the Blue Dolphin Pool.

#### **2. Active Meaford**

Examples: Hiking along the Georgian Trail, Sailing on the bay

#### **3. Celebrate Your Culture**

Examples: Canada Day, Culture Days, people celebrating at different festivals and events throughout the Municipality.

## **ENTRIES AND IDENTIFICATION**

Photographs entered must not have been previously published. Individuals can only win once per category but may win in multiple categories. Entrants must own all rights to the photographs submitted. As such, entrants hold the Municipality of Meaford harmless from any breach of copyright. Photographs that violate or infringe upon another person's copyright are not eligible. For all photos in which a person is recognizable, a model release form must be completed and submitted with your entry. Model releases are the responsibility of the entrant. Photographs must have been shot within the past two years (since January 1, 2021).

Entries must be submitted online via contest entry channels as outlined above. Judges reserve the right to place the entry in the appropriate category. Municipality of Meaford reserves the right to disqualify entries with inappropriate content.

## **PUBLICATION**

Winners' names and photographs will be published on [www.meaford.ca/library](http://www.meaford.ca/library). A selection of winning entries will also be published in the Municipality of Meaford Community Guide and other promotional materials. Municipality of Meaford reserves the non-exclusive right to publish any entry and/or any entry in promotional and advertising materials, including but not limited to the social media channels such as the Municipality Facebook, Instagram and twitter accounts, the monthly newsletter, and various website pages.

## **DEADLINE**

All entries uploaded through the various contest entry channels outlined above must be received prior to 5:00 pm EST, Friday, November 24, 2023 to be considered.

## **JUDGING**

Winners for the prizes will be selected by a panel of judges employed by the Municipality. The winner will be chosen based on the number of votes accumulated. Winners will be notified by email after judging is complete. The decision of the judges is final.

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

Municipality of Meaford cannot be held responsible for entries that are lost, damaged, or delayed during transportation. Municipality of Meaford is not responsible for any failure of the website during this contest.

## **COPYRIGHT NOTICE**

With regards to any photograph submitted to this contest, the entrant, or the owner of copyright in the photograph, retains copyright. By uploading or submitting any photograph to this contest, the entrant grants the Municipality of Meaford a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or subsequently developed, for any purpose, including, but

not limited to advertising and promotional materials, its website, exhibition, and commercial products, including but not limited to Municipality of Meaford publications. Winning entrants are required to sign a release containing the above conditions.