

Red River Basin Commission Photo Contest

The Red River Basin Commission invites you to enter your river photos in the RRBC Photo Contest! Enter photos in any of the following categories:

- **Weather in the Red River Basin:** photos that show the Red River and/or any of its tributaries during winter, spring, summer or fall, featuring the associated weather
- **Recreation in the Red River Basin:** photos that show ways to enjoy the Red River and/or any of its tributaries—canoeing, fishing, kayaking, etc.
- **Urban Settings in the Red River Basin:** photos of the Red River and/or any of its tributaries as they flow through populated areas such as Fargo, Grand Forks, Winnipeg, or any of the other communities of the Basin
- **Natural Beauty of the Red River Basin:** photos showing scenic shots of the Red River and/or any of its tributaries (e.g. wildlife, sunsets, etc.)
- **Water Infrastructure Projects around the Red River Basin:** photos showing any of the many water infrastructure projects throughout the Basin
- **Youth:** photos containing any content pertaining to the Red River and/or any of its tributaries, taken and submitted by photographer <18 years old as of 12/31/2021

Prizes:

- \$250 grand prize for winner receiving most overall votes
- \$50 runner up prizes for top vote getters in each category (other than the category represented by the grand prize winner)
- The top two photos of each category will have the option to receive their winning photo as a canvas print

To Enter:

- Read through all rules. By entering this photo contest, you are stating that you have read and accept all rules and that you intend to abide by them. Anyone in violation of the rules will be deemed ineligible to participate in the contest and ineligible to win any prizes.
- Select your best river photos and email them to lisa@redriverbasincommission.org by October 15, 2021.
 - All entered photos must be high resolution for reproduction purposes. Low resolution photos will not be considered.
 - When emailing, provide your name and phone number in the body of your message and state that you have read the rules and agree to abide by them.
 - Each individual may enter a maximum of five entries to the contest. Using the same photo for multiple categories will count for each category it is entered.
 - If an individual provides more than five entries, the first five entries opened at random by the RRBC will be the five entries that will be considered.
 - When emailing your photo entries, specify which category each photo is intended to represent. Any photo received that does not specify which category it is for will not be considered.
 - When emailing your photo entries, specify the location shown in the photo. Any photo received that does not specify the location shown in the photo will not be considered.

Judging Process:

- All photo entries will be judged by the RRBC Conference Committee.
- The top two photos per category will be made into canvas prints to be displayed at the annual RRBC Land and Water International Summit Conference to be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, January 2022. These photos will be voted on by conference participants.
- Photos receiving most conference participant votes in each category will be auctioned off via silent auction at the conference with proceeds to benefit the RRBC.
- The photo receiving the most overall votes will be deemed the grand prize winner and be awarded \$250.
- The photo receiving most votes in each category (other than the category represented by the grand prize winner) will be awarded consolation prize of \$50.
- Winners will be contacted via the email used to submit the photos no later than January 31, 2022
- Winners and their photos will also be posted on the RRBC website and social media pages

Rules for Participation:

- Anyone of any age can enter. Staff of the RRBC, RRBC Conference Committee members, and the family members of RRBC staff and committee members are ineligible to participate.
- The photo must be in its original state and cannot be altered in any way, including but not limited to removing, adding, reversing, or distorting subjects within the frame.
- Human subjects with faces that are visible in any photo must give their permission to the photographer to be in the photo. By submitting a photo with human faces visible, it will be assumed that the photographer has received said permission and can provide written documentation, if requested. The RRBC will not be held liable for any violation that occurs due to a photographer's negligence in this area.
- Anyone in violation of the rules will be deemed ineligible to participate in the contest and ineligible to win any prizes.
- Entries will not be accepted unless submitted via the official contest channel (i.e. email to lisa@redriverbasincommission.org) . Entries not submitted through the proper channel will not be considered.
- Entries will be judged by the RRBC Conference Committee. All decisions made by this committee are final. The RRBC Conference Committee reserves the right to disqualify any entry that is deemed inappropriate or does not conform to stated contest rules.
- By entering the contest, entrants agree that photos submitted can be used by the RRBC for advertising purposes, on their website, on their social media pages, or any other promotional purpose that the RRBC chooses. The photographer also grants permission for the photo to be printed on canvas for display and silent auction at the RRBC Land and Water International Summit Conference. The photographer grants use of the photo without any expectation of further compensation.
- Submissions will not be accepted once the deadline lapses.
- The winner will be contacted via the email address provided during entry. If no response is received after five business days, a new winner will be selected, and the previous winner will forfeit all rights to the prize.
- The contest is void where prohibited or restricted by law.