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Scenic Virginia Announces Kick-Off of 2017 Photo Contest



2016 Best in Show Winner: *Autumn on the Vine* by Deb Snelson*

Richmond, Va. Statewide preservation nonprofit Scenic Virginia has kicked off its 2017 **Virginia Vistas Photo Contest**. The competition -- available online at scenicvirginia.org -- runs through May 15 and is open to amateur and professional photographers.

“Our annual Photo Contest celebrates the exquisite variety of scenic beauty that exists in our Commonwealth,” notes Executive Director Leighton Powell. “The photos we receive remind us how incredibly lucky we are to live in such a beautiful place.”

Photographs of scenic vistas in Virginia can be submitted in the following categories:

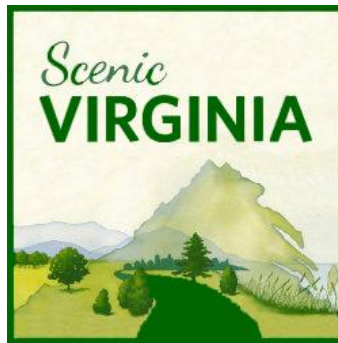
- Cities & Towns
- Coastal & Chesapeake Bay
- Farms & Open Space
- Highways & Byways
- Mountains & Valleys
- Rivers & Waterways
- Scenic Trees
- Vistas with Wildlife
- Youth (for photographers 18 and younger with photos fitting into the above categories)

A panel of judges will select a winner in each category, as well as an overall Best in Show. Scenic Virginia will reveal the ten Winners in early summer.

* Hi-resolution version of *Autumn on the Vine* available upon request

Scenic Virginia is the only statewide non-profit dedicated exclusively to preserving, protecting, and enhancing the scenic beauty of our Commonwealth, with a particular focus on the preservation of significant views and vistas.

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