

Sale Festival 2016 Photographic Competition

As part of its celebrations for Festival Week, Sale Festival 2016 is running a Photographic Competition for keen Amateur Photographers on the theme of

“In Britain's Parks and Gardens”

With a theme like this, the opportunities are vast, and we would love you to enter the competition.

Britain has some wonderful Public Parks and Public Gardens, ranging from the local parks in Sale and Trafford, to the National Parks such as The Lake District and Snowdonia. And apart from the magnificent views and landscapes that lie within them you will also find all manner of people and activities going on.

It could be a picture of a game of cricket or football, a group of ramblers, a beautiful panorama, a farm or country house or anything else you care to think of that depicts the theme in the way you want to interpret it. The list is endless.

Wherever you go, you'll find examples of " Britain's Public Parks and Gardens" and you won't have to travel far to encounter great shots - and we would love to see them.

Amateur Photographers who would like to enter the competition should submit up to 4 prints to Sale Waterside Arts Centre to arrive no later than Monday 30th May 2016.

The top 20 winning prints, together with a selection of the runners up will take pride of place in an Exhibition to be mounted in the Lauriston Gallery at Sale Waterside for the 4 weeks after the competition judging. So you can judge your own efforts against the other entrants

The winner of the Senior Competition will receive a fabulous prize of £100, which will be presented to them during Festival Week, with runners up prizes of £50 for 2nd place and £25 for 3rd place.

There is also a Junior Section for Photographers up to 16, with the winner receiving a prize of £50.

Competition Rules (Also see salephoto.org.uk or salefestival.org.uk websites for the Rules)

1. The Competition Theme will be titled “**In Britain's Parks and Gardens**” and the focus should be on any aspect of that topic that you think best represents the competition title
2. There are no age restrictions on who can enter. The Junior Section is for entrants aged 16 or under on June 1st 2016. Family and work colleagues of the Judge and the competition organisers will be ineligible to enter.
3. **Entrants must not be professional or semi-professional photographers**
4. All entries must be in **un-mounted** print form on good quality paper, and can be in monochrome or colour with a maximum print size of 15” x 10” and a minimum print size of 8” x 6” ***A maximum of 4 prints per author may be entered***
5. The Author’s name, address, email address, phone numbers and age if 16 or under, and entering the Junior Competition must be clearly printed (lightly), on the back of the print, together with the print title and when and where it was taken
6. Prints should be posted to arrive no later than 6pm on Monday 1st June and addressed to “Sale Festival Photographic Competition”, Sale Waterside Arts Centre, Sale Waterside, Sale, Cheshire, M33 7ZF
Entries for the competition can also be dropped off at the Box Office at the Sale Waterside Arts Centre between 10.00am and 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday, from Monday 7th March onwards
7. There will be three Prizes for the Senior Competition:- First Prize £100 Second Prize £50 Third Prize £25
The Winner of the Junior Competition will receive a prize of £50
8. The judges decision is final and no correspondence on that decision will be entered into
9. All entries must be the original work of the author and must not have been previously published. The entrants must be the sole owner of the copyright in all photos and must have the permission of any people featured in the entries
10. By entering the competition, entrants grant the right for Sale Waterside Arts Centre and Trafford Council to publish and exhibit the photographs in print, on their respective websites or in any other media as they think fit.
11. The winning prints, runners up, and a selection of prints from all entrants will be exhibited in an Exhibition of Visual Arts during Sale Festival Week and for 4 weeks, at Sale Waterside Arts Centre

12. Please note that photographs entered in the competition will not be returned to the Authors as most will be permanently mounted on polystyrene board for display in the exhibition.

If you don't want your print to be displayed, but would like it returned, please indicate this on the back of the print and it will be left for collection in the Waterside Box Office