



Call for ENTRIES

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney L. Chertok moved to Orlando in 1985. Nature photography was of particular interest to Mr. Chertok. For 34 years he edited a photograph-filled engagement calendar featuring images solicited by competition. Mrs. Kit Chertok served as an Orange Audubon board member during the 1990s. Mrs. Chertok was instrumental in establishing the Chertok photo contest, in her husband's memory, to encourage others to carry on the tradition of an annual nature photography competition.

CONTEST OBJECTIVES

To promote interest and concern for preserving the native fauna and flora of Florida and to encourage nature photography as well as enjoyment and appreciation of Florida's natural wonders. Audubon advocates for education about and conservation of all wildlife and wild environments.

Orange Audubon Society's (OAS) mission, like the contest objectives, seeks to foster an understanding of and interest in all of Florida's wildlife and natural areas.

CONTEST FOCUS

Photograph the amazing Florida native plants, animals, landscapes and the many habitats of Florida. Help raise awareness to protect Florida's biological diversity.

ELIGIBILITY

Open to photographers 17 years of age or younger by the April deadline.

ENTRY DEADLINE

April 20, 2017 (postmarked by date or midnight if electronically submitted)

ENTRY FEE

\$4 per image: Non-Audubon members

\$2 per image: Audubon members or non-members who join by submitting their contest entry concurrently with the new member application form on back

CONTEST RULES

Up to five images may be entered.

- Images must depict Florida's native animals, plants, natural landscapes, seascapes, etc.
- Images cannot show humans, human-made structures, other artifacts or discernible fauna and/or flora that are not native to Florida.
- Images will be disqualified if they are altered beyond standard adjustments, such as exposure and contrast.
- Image file names must include numbers (1, 2, 3, 4, 5) to correspond with the numbers on the application form below. Numbers, dates, borders, copyright symbols, etc. cannot be part of the actual images.
- Image files must be submitted in x.jpg format and a size of not more than 6 MB per image.
- Image files submitted via mail or hand-delivery to a committee member must be on a CD or flash drive (non-returnable) and labeled with your name and address. Check OAS' website for electronic entry option.

- All images must be owned by, and the original work of, the person entering the contest and have been taken while complying with NANPA code of conduct (www.nanpa.org/docs/NANPA-Ethical-Practices.pdf).
- Each participant (or guardian, if 17 or younger) submitting entries must sign the entry form to acknowledge acceptance of all entry rules.

ELIGIBILITY SCREENING: All entries must be postmarked by April 20, 2017 and will be screened to assure that they meet eligibility requirements. To increase knowledge of Florida native fauna and flora and enhance other educational aspects of the contest, participants will be notified soon thereafter if any entry is disqualified. Photographer may optionally replace such image with no additional entry fee, but such replacements must be submitted by May 18, 2017 (postmarked by date) and meet all other contest eligibility requirements.

JUDGING: A panel of three independent judges—a photographer, an artist and a naturalist—will determine award recipients from qualified entries.



Alligator Sunning by Hank Tushek
First Place—Youth Category
2016 Chertok Nature Photography Contest



Nature's Rubies – Pink Sundew by Avery Chan
Third Place—Youth Category
2016 Chertok Nature Photography Contest

New this Year Increased Cash Prize

AWARDS*

1st place: \$100 cash + \$25 gift card + ribbon

2nd place: \$60 cash + \$15 gift card + ribbon

3rd place: \$40 cash + \$10 gift card + ribbon

Honorable Mentions:

Ribbons only; awarded at judges' discretion

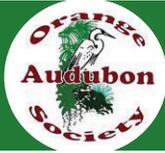


*WIN MORE PRIZES!

- Photographers winning 1st, 2nd and 3rd place with entries taken on Orange County (OC) Natural Lands win a National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Annual Pass (\$80 Value). One pass per photographer winner.
- ALL ENTRIES photographed on OC Natural Lands are eligible for publication in Orange County's 2018 Nature Calendar. Selected photographers will receive a one-day Florida State Park Pass. For more information on Orange County natural lands visit: www.orangecountyfl.net/Environment/NaturalLands/ExploreOurNaturalLands.

ANNOUNCING WINNERS: Winners will be announced during Orange Audubon Society's June 15, 2017 program at Harry P. Leu Gardens (Orlando), which includes light hospitality and a silent auction starting at 6 p.m. followed at 7 p.m. by the photo contest image show of as many eligible entries as time permits. Winners will be announced during the show, but contestants need not be present to receive their awards. Participants are invited to join us that evening or visit the OAS website (www.orangeaudubonfl.org) afterwards to see the winning photos.

ADDITIONAL RULES AND INFORMATION: OAS will not be responsible for damage or loss of entries. Any entry may be used for any educational or Chertok contest promotional purpose, including but not limited to Audubon publications. Colonial Photo & Hobby may also display enlarged prints of selected entries within its retail premises and entries may be used by Orange County as described above. Any such use of entries will credit the featured photographers. Prints, negatives and slides (transparencies) may be converted to digital images for entering this contest.



Orange Audubon Society's
29th Annual Kit and Sidney Chertok

2017 Youth Florida Native
Nature Photography Contest

Print legibly or use fillable PDF form on the OAS website. No hand deliveries of entries except directly to a Chertok committee member at the OAS program meeting on April 20, 2017.
Mail to: CFNNPC, Attn: T. Williams, 2320 Forrest Rd., Winter Park, FL 32789-6029

Name	Email Address	Phone
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Mailing Address

Street or PO Box	City	State	Zip+4
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Already an Audubon Society Member?

YES Print chapter name and location _____

NO If you would like to join Orange Audubon Society, complete the membership form below and return with contest entry.

Number of entries (maximum of 5):	Make check out to Orange Audubon Society for \$	Age:	By signing below participant acknowledges that she/he is authorized to sign and has read and agrees to all contest rules on pages 1 and 2 of this entry form.
			Participant's Signature (Required)

Print Parent or Guardian's Name	Parent or Guardian's Signature (Required)
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Entry List: (a) Image title; (b) Name of animal(s), plant(s), mineral(s), etc.; (c) Specific location where photographed

1. (a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____

2. (a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____

3. (a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____

4. (a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____

5. (a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____

Orange Audubon Society MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION for NEW MEMBERS

Your membership supports critical conservation issues and educational initiatives on the local, state and national levels and includes membership in Orange, Florida and National Audubon Societies. Your membership entitles you to receive the *OASis*, your chapter e-newsletter, plus the *Audubon Florida Naturalist* and *Audubon* magazines.

Make new member dues check payable to National Audubon Society and mail it with your contest entry to the address at the top of this page. This offer is for NEW memberships only. This form is not for renewals.

Membership Levels: Egret \$20 / Students \$15 Wren \$35 Hawk \$50 Jay \$100 Owl –more than \$100 \$ _____

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