NJAA/ANGUS JOURNAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

The NJAA and *Angus Journal* have combined to create the NJAA/AJ Photography Contest.

The purpose of this contest is to help NJAA members increase their communication skills through the creative display of a message or feeling through photography.

A panel of qualified judges using the following guidelines will critique photographs.

- 60% - creativity, communication power and composition of photo
- 40% - technical quality of photo, such as proper light exposure, true color, sharp focus and correct cropping

Winners will be selected in three age divisions: 8 to 13; 14 to 17; and 18 to 21 years (all ages are as of January 1 of the current year). Prizes will be 1st-$30; 2nd-$20; 3rd-$10.

All photographs will be displayed at the National Junior Angus Show and winning photos will be printed as part of the NJAS coverage in the September issue of the *Angus Journal*.

**NJAA/ANGUS JOURNAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST GUIDELINES**

1. Contestants must be members of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA).

2. All work must be that of the entrant.

3. Photos are to be 8x10-inch (in.) color or black-and-white prints mounted on a 10x14-in. black foam core. Photos should not be matted or framed. Mount the completed entry form on the back side (can be found on the last page of rules), in the upper left-hand corner of the form core. Entry forms may be duplicated. The forms can also be found on the NJAA Web site at [www.njaa.info](http://www.njaa.info), the *Angus Journal* or you may contact the Junior Activities Department to obtain forms.

4. Photos must be taken by the contestant during the past year. Photo cannot be altered or image-enhanced in any way; this includes any editing tools. Ex: Instagram. Contestants are encouraged to use 35-millimeter (mm) cameras.

5. Photos taken in a digital format should also be submitted on a CD or DVD. The photo should be saved at a minimum of 300 psi a 4x5-in. or 5x4-in. size. 300 psi 8x10-in. is preferred. Multiple juniors from the same family may submit only one CD/DVD with all entries from the family.

6. Photos cannot have been presented for competition at a previous National Junior Angus Show (NJAS).

7. There will be three age divisions: ages 9 to 13; ages 14 to 17; and ages 18 to 21 (use contestant’s age as of Jan. 1 of the current year).

8. There will be four subject categories: Angus Cattle, Landscapes, People and Around the Farm or Ranch. Contestants may enter only one photo per category. Each entry may apply to no more than one subject category. The contestant should declare what subject category the photo is to be judged, as the photograph is representative of the contestant’s interpretation of the category. Judges, however, reserve the right to move an entry to a
more suitable category. Should the contestant already have a photograph in the more suitable subject category, judges are empowered to disqualify a photograph from competition. Further explanation of the subject categories is listed below.

**Angus Cattle** - Photographs that highlight Angus cattle on the farm or ranch or at an Angus event. The cattle should be the dominate focus of the picture. **Landscape** - Photographs that focus on scenery around the farm or ranch. Angus cattle should be included in the photo. **People** - Photographs that show an Angus junior and/or family, friends, fellow junior members, etc., either involved in activities on the farm or ranch or at an Angus event. **Around the Farm or Ranch** – Photographs that highlight activities and scenes around the farm or ranch.

9. A maximum of four entries per contestant is allowed.

10. Photos become the property of the American Angus Association and the *Angus Journal* for use in publications and promotion.

11. **Entries must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service by May 15.**

12. Send your entry to: American Angus Association
    Events & Education Department
    Attn: Photo Contest
    3201 Frederick Ave.
    St. Joseph, MO 64506-2997

    *Please attach the entry form on the next page to the back of the foam core.*
NJAA/AJ PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM

NAME________________________________________ MEMBER CODE__________

ADDRESS_____________________________________________________________________

CITY________________________ STATE________ ZIP________________

TELEPHONE NO._________________________________________________________

E-MAIL____________________________________________________________________

AGE DIVISION (as of January 1):
8-13_______ 14-17_______ 18-21_______

PHOTO CATEGORY:
ANGUS CATTLE________ LANDSCAPE __________

PEOPLE______________

AROUND THE FARM OR RANCH _______________________

LOCATION/EVENT WHERE PHOTO WAS TAKEN:
_________________________________________________________________________

PHOTO TITLE_____________________________________________________________

I certify that I’m the photographer of this image and I have obtained permission from the individual(s) in this picture including minor children.

SIGNATURE______________________________________________________________