

BucksVision Photographic Competition 2019

The title for the BucksVision Photographic Competition 2019 is “**Buckinghamshire throughout the seasons**”. The theme is open to your personal interpretation but we’re looking for beautiful photographs that show off the Buckinghamshire countryside and iconic views throughout the county to show it in all its true glory, throughout the seasons.

The twelve photos selected by the judges will appear in the **BucksVision Calendar for 2020** with all proceeds raised from the entries and the sales of the calendar going to BucksVision. **The closing date for entries is 23:59 on Sunday 28 April 2019.** Please read the rules before entering.

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The theme for the BucksVision Photographic Competition 2019 is “Buckinghamshire throughout the season”. The theme is open to your personal interpretation but we’re looking for beautiful photographs that show off the Buckinghamshire countryside and iconic views throughout the county to show it in all its glory, throughout the seasons.

BucksVision’s decision as to the eligibility of individual photographs will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

2. Entrants can submit up to five photos in total as prints, in colour or black and white. Prints must be at least as large as a standard postcard. Electronic copies of the photographs in high resolution will be needed for the 12 successful photographs.

3. We are aware that digital photography does allow for some image enhancement. You can enter images that have had spots, scratches or other blemishes removed. You can have worked on the colour or enhanced the image for the sake of the composition. You can also crop the image to improve composition.

We will not accept composite images - entries that stitch two or more separate photographs together to make one image, or entries that superimpose elements photographed separately onto an image.

We want you to stay faithful to the spirit of the competition, and never deceive the viewer or misrepresent the aspect of nature being portrayed. BucksVision judges reserve the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated to alter its authenticity.

4. The competition is open to all. Entrants under the age of 18 need the verifiable consent of a parent or guardian to enter.

5. Entrants must not be professional photographers. For the purposes of this competition, a professional photographer will be considered to be someone who makes more than half their annual income from the sale of their photographs.

6. Entries should be made via post, with the entry form completed along with the entry fee. Please mark each entry with your name, address & contact telephone number (both daytime and evening) and email address. Entrants under the age of 18 will need to include the name, address, contact telephone and email address of their parent or guardian.

7. Entries should be sent to: **BucksVision 143 Meadowcroft, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP19 9HH.**

8. The competition closes at 23:59 on Sunday 28 April 2019. Entries received after this date will not be considered.

BucksVision, 143 Meadowcroft, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP19 9HH: Telephone 01296 487556

BucksVision cannot accept any responsibility for any problem with the postal service, internet service provider, network or other system which may result in any entry being lost or delayed. Proof of sending is not proof of receipt.

Entries will not be returned so please remember to keep a copy. Unsuccessful entrants will not be contacted and no feedback on any entry will be provided.

9. All photographs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Composition
- Technical ability
- Originality
- Public appeal
- Suitability for inclusion into the BucksVision calendar

10. 12 photographs will be selected for inclusion in the Calendar. The Judges will also choose four winners who will win a cash prize – 1st £150, 2nd £75, 3rd £50 and 4th £25.

11. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photographs entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries or their parents/guardians if children under 18 are featured. Where an individual or a residential property, belonging to someone other than the photographer are featured, the photographer must seek permission and be prepared to provide written consent, when requested by BucksVision. Further, entrants must not have breached any laws when taking their photographs.

12. We are looking for original photographs, so entries must not have won any national or international competition prize previously. For the purposes of this competition, 'national' refers to the whole of the UK – or to individual national competitions in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland.

13. Entrants will retain copyright in the photographs that they submit to BucksVision. By entering the competition all entrants grant to BucksVision the right to publish and exhibit their photographs on their website in perpetuity. Entrants whose photographs are one of the final 12, also agree to take part in post – competition publicity.

14. By entering, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules and the BucksVision reserves the right to exclude any entry from the competition at any time and in its absolute discretion if the BucksVision has reason to believe that an entrant has breached these rules.

15. BucksVision reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.

16. If the winner is unable to be contacted after reasonable attempts have been made, BucksVision reserves the right to either offer the prize to a runner up, or to re-offer the prize in any future competition.

17. These rules are governed by the laws of England and Wales.

Privacy Notice

To enter the competition, you have provided us with your personal data including your photographic entry. BucksVision is the "data controller" of this information.