



## **Friends of Nose Hill Society**

### **Inaugural Amateur Photo Contest**

Open to all Nose Hill Park enthusiasts.

A maximum of four photo submissions, one each for the four contest themes.

Photo contest themes include:

- **Landscapes and skyviews of Nose Hill Park.**
- **Flora and Fauna of Nose Hill Park.**
- **Environmental threats to Nose Hill Park.**
- **Urban astrophotography from within Nose Hill Park.**

Photos must have been taken between October 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 and September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017.

Email contest entry forms and photo(s) by September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017.

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### 1.0 Overview of Contest

- Administered by Friends of Nose Hill Society.
- Open to all Nose Hill Park enthusiasts members and nonmembers alike.
- Maximum of one photo entry per contest theme. Therefore, a maximum of four photos for the four contest themes.
- Photos must have been taken between October 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 and September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017.

### 2.0 Contest Themes

Please submit one photo per theme for any of the following themes:

1. Scenic landscapes and sky views of Nose Hill Park.
2. Flora and fauna of Nose Hill Park including native flowers, grasses, trees, shrubs, insects, wildlife (excluding domesticated pets) ... etc.
3. Environmental threats and concerns at Nose Hill Park (e.g. garbage dumped in the park, damaged trees ... etc.).
4. Urban astrophotography undertaken within Nose Hill Park, including but not limited to moon shots, stars and constellations, planets, galaxies, nebulae, supernova remnants, meteor showers and comets to name a few.

### 3.0 Contest Rules

- Photos are to be digital in JPEG format, with minimum resolution 1600 x 1200 pixels at 300 dpi.
- A contestant can submit one photo for each contest theme. Therefore, the maximum submission is four photos per contestant.
- Images must include the photo title and the contestant's full name in the following format <photo title> - <full name>.
- No writings or markings, such as copyrights or logos, are allowed on the photo.
- Contestants retain commercial rights to the photos with permission for the Friends of Nose Hill Society to utilize the photos for the website, newsletters, Facebook page and other media.
- Incomplete submissions will not be accepted.
- The contest chairperson will remove names from the photos and replace them with numbers prior to forwarding the photos to the judges.
- Decision of the judges is final.

- The Friends of Nose Hill Society is not responsible for any computer malfunction during the photo submission process.
- If a judge recognizes your photo from social media s/he will disqualify herself/himself from judging.
- Board members of the Friends of Nose Hill Society and the judges are not eligible to participate in the contest.
- Submitted photos will not be returned to contestants.

#### 4.0 Submission of Photos

- Please complete the “Photo Contest Form” to provide your personal details, and for each theme you submit a photo for please provide a brief description for the photo, time, day, month, year and location in the park where the photo was taken, and describe any challenges faced in taking the photo if any.
- Please complete the “Photo Release Waiver”.
- Please complete the “Consent of Individuals Appearing in the Photograph” form.
- Please complete the “Respect for Nose Hill Park’s Ecology” form.
- Email all forms and JPEG photos by midnight September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 to the contest chairperson at: [friendsofnosehill@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofnosehill@gmail.com) .

#### 5.0 Judging Criteria

The photos will be evaluated based on impact, composition, and technical aspect. This will result in an overall score out of 30 which will be communicated to all contestants regardless whether they won or not:

- **Impact (1-10 points):**  
Image grabs you and stops you in your tracks, has a hold on you, conveys emotions, and you stay with the image unconsciously. The photo’s subject matter is clear and self-explanatory.
- **Composition (1-10 points):**  
The image elements empower or compliment the message conveyed. Evidence of a flow. Using compositional guides such as leading lines, rule of thirds or golden ratio.
- **Technical aspect (1-10 points):**  
Color balance, focus, sharpness, free of dust specs, and technical challenge in obtaining the photo

**Overall score (out of 30):** Winners are determined by highest aggregate score.

## **6.0 Contest Prizes**

- Three prizes per contest theme for first, second and third place winners.
- Free membership in the Friends of Nose Hill Society for the upcoming year.
- Gift certificates.
- Recognition on the Friends of Nose Hill Society website, Facebook page, newsletter and during the November general meeting.

## **7.0 Key Dates**

- Photos to be submitted by September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- The judges will convene in the month of October 2017.
- Winners will be announced at the general meeting in November 2017.

## **8.0 Photo Contest Chairperson**

Name: Ms. Eve Robertson

Email address: [friendsofnosehill@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofnosehill@gmail.com)

# Photo Contest Form

## CONTESTANT DETAILS

Personal information on all forms is collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Section 33(c). If you have any questions about the collection of the information please contact the Friends of Nose Hill Society President Anne Burke at 403-239-1285.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code / Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**How did you hear about the photo contest?**

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**Are you a current member of the Friends of Nose Hill Society?**

**[Check mark]**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understood and followed the contest rules:

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_



Challenges Faced in Taking the Photo: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Photo Release Waiver

I hereby grant the Friends of Nose Hill Society the permission to use and reproduce, for the photo contest or for promotional purposes, such as the website, Facebook page or newsletters, the photograph(s) that I have submitted in accordance with the Friends of Nose Hill Park Photo Contest.

By signing this form I acknowledge and confirm the following:

1. That the photograph(s) was taken by myself at \_\_\_\_\_, on the date of \_\_\_\_\_, at the time of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I am the owner of the photograph(s) and as the owner I have the right to grant permission for the use of the photograph(s) by Friends of Nose Hill Society.
3. I waive the right to approve how the photograph(s) will be used by the Friends of Nose Hill Society and release them from any liabilities, obligations, recognitions or financial payments.
4. I irrevocably and expressly waive all moral rights that I have for the photograph(s).
5. I confirm that I am not under 18 years of age.
6. I confirm that if I am under 18 years of age I will have a parent or legal guardian sign this form.
7. I acknowledge that the Friends of Nose Hill Society is not obligated to use the photograph(s) or return the photograph(s) to myself.
8. I confirm that I have obtained the express permission of all identifiable individuals appearing in the photograph(s) or the consent of the parent or legal guardian for those under 18 years of age. To this end, I have also completed the "Consent for Individuals Appearing in Photograph(s)" form.
9. I authorize the Friends of Nose Hill Society to use the photograph(s) submitted for the contest for promotional purposes at their discretion, including and without limitation the right to modify, use, reuse, publish, or republish in whole or in part the photograph(s) in any media without restrictions.

**Date:**

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**Photographer's Signature**

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**Photographer's Print First and Last Name**

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## **Consent of Individuals Appearing in the Photograph(s)**

This form is to be signed by all individuals appearing in the submitted photograph(s). Parents and legal guardians may sign this form if the individual(s) in the photograph(s) is/are less than 18 years of age.

<b>No.</b>	<b>Print First and Last Names of Individual(s) Appearing in Photograph</b>	<b>Signature</b>
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## Respect for Nose Hill Park's Ecology

By signing this form I declare that I obeyed Nose Hill Park's access rules as per the City of Calgary Parks and Pathway Bylaw 20M2003 ( <https://www.calgary.ca/CA/City-Clerks/Documents/Legislative-services/Bylaws/20m2003-ParksPathways.pdf?noredirect=1> ). I also declare that before, during and after taking the photograph(s) submitted for the contest I did not intentionally or unintentionally:

- Intrude into the private habitat of the local wildlife at Nose Hill Park.
- Physically or psychologically harm the local wildlife at Nose Hill Park.
- Feed the wildlife at Nose Hill Park.
- Damage, abuse or compromise the livelihood of the local flora at Nose Hill Park.
- Engage in dumping unnecessary artificial material at Nose Hill park (e.g. garbage, disposed equipment ... etc.).
- Contribute to light pollution at Nose Hill Park in significant ways that disturbed the nocturnal ecology.
- Disturb the surface and subsurface of Nose Hill Park.
- Disrespect or disturb the stones of the medicine wheel.
- Compromise the general safety and park enjoyment experience for other human beings visiting Nose Hill Park during the photo contest.
- Abuse Nose Hill park installations such as benches, washrooms, garbage bins, parking lots ... etc.
- Cause any danger to vehicles entering and exiting Nose Hill Park's various parking lots.

**Signature:**

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**Date:**

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