



Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge 2008 Photo Contest



Capture the essence of Bear River Refuge on film! Share a memory with us by entering our 1st Annual Photo Contest. Up to 3 entries per person may be submitted in two divisions, amateur and professional. Divisions will be judged separately.

Both amateur & professional photographers may enter in these five categories:

1. **Wildlife** - Photograph the birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and insects of the Bear River Refuge.
2. **Plant Life** - This category would include trees, shrubs, grasses and flowers.
3. **Scenic** - Capture the beautiful landscapes and scenic vistas of the refuge.
4. **Nature's Abstracts** - Get creative and separate yourself from the pack!
5. **Recreation/Education** - This category would include people enjoying the recreational or educational opportunities offered by the Refuge. Examples are wildlife observation, hunting, photography, fishing, canoeing, taking part in refuge programs, etc.

Contest rules and requirements:

1. All entries must be photographs taken at Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge. Photos should be 5" x 7" and may be black and white or color and must be printed on **glossy** photo paper. Photos must not be matted or framed.
2. Professionals are those who derive 5% or more of their income from taking photographs.
3. **Please retain your negatives or discs.**
4. Digital photos are acceptable. Cropping is allowed but any color modifications or adding any elements not existing in the original scene will not be accepted.
5. Mail all entries to Bear River Refuge Photo Contest, 2155 West Forest Street, Brigham City, UT 84302. For each photo the following must be included: Name, address, phone number, email, division (amateur or professional), subject category entered, the name of the photo, location and the date when taken. An additional electronic copy is requested, but not required. You may also drop off entries at the wildlife education center, located one block west of Interstate 15 at exit #363 (Forest Street) in Brigham City, Utah. The center is open 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday-Friday; 10:00am - 4:00pm Saturdays. The center is closed on all federal holidays.
6. **All entries must be received by August 31, 2008.**
7. All submitted prints will become property of Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge. The photographer grants unlimited use of submitted photographs by the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge and Friends of the Bear River Refuge for publications, displays, web pages, presentations and other promotional products. Credit will always be given to the photographer. The photographer retains the copyright to their photos. Refuge may request digital copies.
8. Winners will be announced during National Wildlife Refuge Week in October.
9. Bear River Refuge staff members and Friends of the Bear River Refuge Board Members are not eligible to enter.



Prizes will be awarded in each category for both divisions as follows:

- 1st Place - Ribbon and \$25.00 Cash
 - 2nd Place - Ribbon and \$15.00 Gift Certificate to the Avocet Corner Bookstore
 - 3rd Place - Ribbon and \$10.00 Gift Certificate to the Avocet Corner Bookstore
- An overall **Best of Show** will be chosen and will receive a ribbon and \$50.00 cash

For more information, contact the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge, 2155 West Forest Street, Brigham City, UT 84302, (435) 723-5887, or email: bearriver@fws.gov. For online contest rules, visit Bear River's web site at: <http://bearriver.fws.gov>.

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