



## Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden Shutterbug Photography Contest 2018

Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden invites any and all **amateur photographers** to enter our annual *Shutterbug Photography Contest*. We received hundreds of entries for last year's contest and we hope that even more will enter our 2018 *Shutterbug Contest*. The contest winning photos will be displayed in the Visitor Pavilion at the Garden in early 2019.

First, second and third place winners will receive prizes. In the event that a participant receives multiple awards, he/she will be credited with all award winning photographs and given one award at the highest level received.

**Deadline for all entries will be Dec. 31, 2018.** A distinguished panel of judges will review the entries and select the winners. **Winners will be announced in February 2019.**

### RULES

1. **Contestants must be amateur photographers.** Professional photographers are not eligible. The Garden considers you a professional photographer if you earn more than 20% of your annual income from the sale of your photographs or photography services. Eligible photos should not be published or accepted for publication by any publisher, media or other print or electronic means.
2. **All photographs must be taken at Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden** in 2018.
3. **Each contestant may submit only one original photograph in each subject category.** Photos may be in color or black & white, and they must be submitted as **8" x 10" prints**. No digital files will be accepted this year.
4. If a photo was submitted in a previous year it will be disqualified.
5. Photographs should not be mounted or matted.
6. Garden staff members and contractual partners, and their immediate family members are not eligible.
7. Each photograph must be accompanied by a completed signed entry form attached to the back of the photograph. Make photocopies of the form to enter in more than one subject category.
8. Entries will be judged in **adult amateur** and **youth** entrant categories and in **seven subject categories** - Plants, Wildlife, Water, People, Architecture/Artwork in the Garden, Events/Celebrations and Orchids & Tropical Plants.
9. Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden reserves the right to mount and display any submitted photo. The Garden also reserves the right to publish any submitted photo with any DSBG materials (including print and electronic) or give to members of the media (including, but not limited to, newspapers, internet content, television and magazines) at any time throughout the universe.
10. The decisions of the judges are final.
11. Entries must be submitted to Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden, 6500 South New Hope Road, Belmont, NC 28012 **no later than Dec. 31, 2018.**
12. **Entries may be picked up at the Garden Admissions desk beginning May 1, 2019.** Any entries not picked up by June 15, 2018 may be disposed of by Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden.