



BUCKEYE TRAIL ASSOCIATION, INC.

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For the Love of Ohio's Buckeye Trail! - "Photo and Video Contest" Guidelines

Photo Contestant Agrees to:

- Allow the BTA to use images and video submitted for promotional purposes
- Provide your photograph to other individuals and organizations for BTA-related use in news stories, newsletters, reports, slideshow, displays, web pages, and the like.
- Use, in connection with the Photo Contest, your name, city, state and country of residence in promotions and other publications.
- Keep the files provided, and to archive the images on CD or in other electronic forms, so that your photos can be used to support mission of the Buckeye Trail Association and be properly credited.

Photos Submitted Must Be:

- Digital photographs (taken from a digital camera, smart phone, or scanned hard copies)
- 300 dpi (Dots per inch) or greater, with a file size limit of 25mb. If your file size is greater we'd still encourage you to submit, let us know how you would like to send it.
- In .jpg format
- Along or Of the BT
- No more than 3 submissions per category below to photocontest@buckeyetrail.org.
- Images of an identifiable person must be accompanied with a [photo release](#) form in order for the BTA to share your image with the public. Forms may be emailed to photocontest@buckeyetrail.org or mailed to Buckeye Trail Association, PO Box 5, Shawnee, OH 43782.

Photo Contest Categories

- 1) Buckeye Trail Use (Hikers, runners, campers, etc.) ([Photo Release form](#))
- 2) Volunteers on the BT (Trail Adopters, Buckeye Trail Crew, etc.) ([Photo Release form](#))
- 3) Wildlife (Big and Small)
- 4) Scenery (Landscape to Close ups, natural or cultural)

People's Choice Award

- A selection of photo submissions will be organized and uploaded to Facebook for all to view and vote on by "Liking" between April 7th and 11th, 2014.

Video

- Only one category for video... Best Video!
- Video submitted should be short and sweet but no less than 60 seconds, be creative, contemplative, surprise us!
- Video may be emailed to photocontest@buckeyetrail.org, uploaded to The Buckeye Trail Association FB Page Videos, or mailed on CD/DVD to PO Box 5, Shawnee, OH 43782.

Other Details

- **For this contest only**, photos can be from any time in the past, as long as you were the photographer.
- Submissions run from NOW until April 1st, 2014
- Photos must be uploaded to FB or sent to photocontest@buckeyetrail.org and titled with: Photo contest category, location photo was taken, your name, and date of the photo if known. Here are some examples:
 - Use-Shawnee SF-John Smith-04-24-13.jpg
 - Volunteers-Canal Fulton-Jane Smith-04-27-89.jpg
 - Wildlife-Miami and Erie Canal at Independence Dam-Bartlett-07-11-03.jpg
 - Scenery-Scenic River Trail-Debbie Cook-01-03-95.jpg



Winners!

- 6 Winners (4 Photo Categories, 1 People's Choice and 1 Video) will be announced and prizes awarded at Buckeye Trail Fest 2014, April 24-27 in the Hocking Hills.

Photo Contest Hints!

- Take those date stamps off your photos!
- Do a little research online for helpful hints on photo composition
- Catching a clear blue blaze in your picture might increase your chances
- Pictures of the front of people might do better than the backs of people
- Robert Pond, author of Follow the Blue Blazes, tells us he is in need of photos for these highlighted hikes for the 2014 2nd Edition...

(Fort Hill State Memorial, Davis Memorial Nature Preserve, Hocking Hills; Old Man's Cave and Cedar Falls, Pike Lake State Park and Pike State Forest, Tar Hollow State Forest, Scioto Trail State Forest, Shawnee State Forest, East Fork State Park, Eden Park, Ft. Ancient State Memorial, Glen Helen Nature Preserve, Clifton Gorge State Nature Preserve, Eastwood MetroPark, Oak Openings Metropark, Sandusky County's Wolf Creek Metropark, Findlay State Park, Hinkley Reservation, Brecksville Reservation, Chapin Forest, Mentor Marsh to Headlands Beach State Park and Lighthouse, Mogadore Reservoir, Quail Hollow State Park, the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath from Ft. Laurens to Zoar, as well as Canal Fulton, the Maumee River and Miami & Erie Canal Towpath from Defiance's Pontiac Park to Independence Dam, as well as Johnston Farm & Indian Agency, Lockington Locks, and the canal towpath near St. Mary's, Clendenning Lake, Salt Fork State Park, AEP ReCreation Land, Scenic River Trail on the Marietta Unit of the Wayne National Forest, and the town of Ripley.)

Enjoy your time out on the Buckeye Trail, we can't wait to see it!