

## *About the Eighth Annual Tamarac NWR Photo Contest*

Nature photography is one of the six primary public uses at National Wildlife Refuges, along with hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, interpretation, and environmental education. The Tamarac NWR Photo Contest recognizes outstanding amateur nature photography; it showcases the wildlife, plant life, and natural beauty of the refuge; and contributes to the collection of images that the refuge and refuge friends group uses in publications and in promoting Tamarac.

### *Youth Nature Photography*

Two youth divisions have been created: Division 1 for youth 12 years old and younger, and Division 2 for youth 13 to 17 years old. Youth submitted photos complete with all photos in each category and in overall awards, but all youth photos in each division are separately judged and awarded first place, second place, third place, and honorable mentions.

### *Display of Contest Prints*

All contest photos will be on display at the 2011 Tamarac Fall Festival on October 1st and at the Washington Square Mall in Detroit Lakes during National Wildlife Refuge Week from October 10 to 16.

*Winners announced October 16 at an Awards Ceremony at Washington Square Mall  
Detroit Lakes*

## *Submission of entries*

Drop off completed entry forms, photos, and photo CDs at the Tamarac NWR Visitor Center

or mail to:

Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge  
Photo Contest  
35704 County Hwy 26  
Rochert, MN 56578.

Digital files may also be e-mailed to:  
photocontest@tamaracfriends.org

*We can provide assistance in downloading your digital files from your photo CDs, e-mail us at contest e-mail address or call for appointment.*

Entry Deadline : September 16, 2011

*For complete rules, forms,  
past winners, and  
other resources visit:*

[www.tamaracfriends.org](http://www.tamaracfriends.org)

*For questions, call the refuge at  
218 - 847 - 2641*

*or E-mail :*

photocontest@tamaracfriends.org



**Tamarac National  
Wildlife Refuge**

## *Photo Contest*



## **2011 Contest Announcement**

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## Categories

### Wildlife

Live birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and insects in their natural habitat.

### Plant Life

Trees, shrubs, grasses, flowers, mushrooms, and other flora in their natural habitat.

### Scenic

Landscapes and scenic vistas.

### Nature's Abstracts

Images of nature's shapes, colors and patterns. Nature's Abstracts is a creative category revealing the art in nature.

### Recreation

People enjoying the recreational opportunities on the refuge. Examples include hunting, fishing, hiking, canoeing, wildlife observation, and photography.

## Major Rules at a Glance



1. Only photos taken on Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge within the last two years may be entered.
2. The contest is open to amateurs; those who derive less than 5% of their income from taking photographs
3. Up to 5 photos may be entered; no more than 2 photos per category.
4. Enter 5x7 inch color or b&w prints, not framed or mounted, and with no white border. Judging is based on prints.
5. Photos must not have any digitally added elements or effects not existing in the original scene, including text or imprinted dates. See website for additional information about digital editing.
6. Each photo entered must be labeled on the back with: photographer's name, subject category, and photo title.
7. The original digital jpeg photo files for entered photos must be received by the deadline. Photo files can be on a CD or DVD accompanying prints or e-mailed to the contest e-mail address: [photocontest@tamaracfriends.org](mailto:photocontest@tamaracfriends.org)
8. A completed signed entry form must be included with your entries. The form will contain space to record the subject category entered, the name of the photo, location and date taken.
9. Entries must be received no later than 4 p.m., Friday, September 16, 2011.
10. Submitted prints become property of Tamarac NWR. Photo CDs will be returned. (See website for granted uses of photos and retained rights.)

## Awards & Prizes



First Place, Second Place, Third Place, and Honorable Mentions will be awarded in each photo category and youth division. Grand Prize, Manager's Choice, Refuge Friend's Choice, & People's Choice will also be selected.

All winners will receive an award ribbon. Prizes of gift certificates and/or merchandise will also be awarded. Watch contest website for prize updates.

