

High Desert Photographers Critique Night Guidelines

Each photographer submits two photos: one to be critiqued and one for a critique night photo contest.

CRITIQUE PHOTO (1 photo)	CONTEST PHOTO (1 photo)
<p>Two minutes per photo with verbal critiquing</p> <p><u>Photographer:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declare the photo when it comes up • State any specific concerns, questions or frustrations of the photo. Be brief and to the point. <p><u>Club Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silent appraisal for the first 30 seconds. • Balance positive input and constructive criticism to enable learning and improvement. <p><u>Critique Coordinator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses discretion to extend the critique time if meaningful critique is ongoing with good club participation. 	<p>Ninety seconds per photo with no verbal critiquing</p> <p><u>Photographer:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BEFORE the meeting or when submitted to the Critique Coordinator - Identify their contest photo as Amateur or Advanced. <p><u>Critique Coordinator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies contest photos when they come up and the class it is in. <p><u>Club Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a score sheet to silently judge each photo (using a score of 2-5 in six different categories – min total score of 12 and max. score of 30) <p>Note: Anyone winning the amateur division three times must from then on enter photos into the Advanced class.</p>

Example Score Sheet for Contest Photos

Photo Description:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Amateur	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	Score (2-5)
Initial Visual Impact		
Composition		
Technical Excellence		
Story Telling/Well Defined Subject		
Lighting/Contrast/Color		
Artistic Merit		
Total		

Score from 2 to 5, with 5 being the highest quality rating, and 2 being the lower quality rating.

At the annual Christmas party, the winning three Amateur and Advanced class photos for each month will be entered and rescored and rescored again for grand prizes. Associated photographers will be responsible for printing their photos and are allowed to perform additional post processing.