



# MERRIMACK COUNTY SAVINGS BANK

## 2019 Merrimack County Savings Bank Photo Contest Rules

Calling all amateur or professional photographers:  
*Show us your best color photography!*



Winning photos will demonstrate a strong focus on community events and people enjoying the venues, attractions and local businesses of New Hampshire and highlight the unique character and beauty of the state. Chosen images will be showcased in the 2019 calendar and displayed on the websites for New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (NHMB) and its subsidiaries: Merrimack County Savings Bank (the Merrimack), Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVS) & MillRiver Wealth Management.

From Wednesday, May 1 through Saturday, June 15, 2019, photographers may submit five (5) entries to be considered for the 2020 community calendar, desk calendar, holiday card and note cards and/or five (5) entries to be considered for display on the websites for the Merrimack, MillRiver Wealth Management, MVS and NHMB.

Photos should depict some aspect of community life in New Hampshire. For example, send us: a photo of what volunteering in NH means to you; a photo of your hometown hero (and why); and/or a photo of your favorite hometown parade. Other possible subjects might include community events (such as fairs/festivals, or local sporting events), local landmarks, areas of scenic beauty or seasonal pastimes (fishing, ice fishing, sailing, hiking, skiing etc.).

### Honorarium for selected images:

A \$100 cash prize will be awarded to the photographer for each photo selected for inclusion in the calendar or on the website. We will also be choosing 4 winter photos to use as our holiday cards. If we choose your photo for a holiday card cover, you will also receive a \$100 cash prize. All winners are responsible for the payment of any federal, state and local taxes on the prize.

**Number of Entries:** You may submit a maximum of five (5) entries for consideration for the calendar, desk calendar, holiday card and note cards and a maximum of five (5) entries for consideration on the website. **Please note: the submission requirements for the calendar are different than the requirements for web submissions so please read these rules very carefully before sending in your submission(s).**

**Judging:** Judging of all submitted photography will be "blind." The name of the photographer will not be known by the judging panel. Judging will be based on

suitability of the subject, quality of the photography, and adherence to the purpose of the contest, which is to focus on community events and people enjoying the venues, attractions and local businesses of New Hampshire.

**Participation:** The photography competition is open to all photographers, amateur or professional. Employees of NH Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries are **not** excluded from this competition.

**To enter: Photos will be accepted electronically** and may be uploaded by clicking on the calendar photo contest link at [www.themerrimack.com/photo-contest](http://www.themerrimack.com/photo-contest). Electronic submissions must be in either JPEG, TIFF or PNG format.

If entering with prints and CD's, please submit the official Merrimack County Savings Bank **Community Calendar** Entry Form and/or the official Merrimack County Savings Bank **Website** Entry Form with the photo(s) and CD(s) you are submitting. Official Entry Forms and Rules may also be downloaded from our website at [www.themerrimack.com](http://www.themerrimack.com) or picked up at any Merrimack branch office.

Submit just one entry form for up to 5 photos, using the appropriate form to indicate whether you are entering your photos in the Community Calendar (includes desk calendar, holiday cards & note cards) or Website contest (includes website, Facebook).

Please be sure to fill in all requested information on the form:

1. **Contact information: name, address, city, state, zip code, phone number and email address.** We must be able to contact you by one or more of these methods.
2. **Photo name, location and brief description for each photo taken.** Please describe who or what is in the photo, any interesting details about why you took the photo, or other circumstances that add interest to the image.
3. **Assignment of Publication Rights.** We cannot, by law, publish any photographs in our calendar, on our website or in other publications without the explicit permission of the photographer. In order for us to

include your photos in our judging process, *you must complete and sign this section of the form*. These rights are nontransferable and apply only to those photos selected as winners of the contest. All other rights remain with the photographer.

4. **Parental Release Form.** If any of your submitted photographs feature the face of a child under the age of 18, the child's parent or legal guardian must complete and sign this section giving us permission to publish a photo of their child in our calendar, website or any other publication. In order to protect the privacy and safety of children, we cannot consider any photos with children in them **without** receiving parental consent.
5. **W9 Form.** Participants need to include a W9 form with every submission (included in packet), or if you win we can only notify you and then you must submit a W9 **BEFORE** we mail you the check.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Please **do not** write or stick any identifying information to the submitted photographs. Upon receipt, each submitted photo will be assigned a number, and be separated from the official entry form for blind judging.

#### **Format for Print Entries:**

All submissions must be in color format. **Black and white photographs will not be accepted for inclusion in the calendars.**

#### ***Please observe the following specifications:***

- Digital photography is preferred and images must be at a minimum resolution of 300 dpi at 10"x8".
- Photographs with slightly lower resolutions will be reviewed, but may be rejected. Full color images require higher resolutions to produce acceptable results.
- Digital images must be submitted on a CD accompanied by a high quality color print. Please submit just one CD (or a maximum of two, if necessary) with all of the images you are submitting. Please **do not** send a separate CD for each image.
- Digital images must be saved in tiff, eps or jpg format.
- 35mm images presented as slides or high quality professional prints are also acceptable.
- Negatives or high-resolution digital images must be included with prints at the time of submission. Prints submitted without a CD or negatives will not be considered.

**Please drop off your entries at any Merrimack County Savings Bank location or mail to:**

ATTN: Photo Contest  
Merrimack County Savings Bank  
PO Box 2826  
89 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03302-2826

- The Merrimack reserves the right to color correct and/or crop photo entries if necessary.

#### **Format for Website Entries:**

• All submissions must be in color format. **Black and white photographs will not be accepted for inclusion on the website.**

#### ***Please observe the following specifications:***

- Winning photographs will be displayed on the homepage along the top of the page at the websites for New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries: Merrimack County Savings Bank, Meredith Village Savings Bank & MillRiver Wealth Management.
- High-resolution digital images must be submitted on a CD at a minimum of 72 dpi (higher preferred) at a size of at least 1920 pixels wide x 5300 pixels high, **along with** a high quality 10"x4.25" color print (for judging and cataloging purposes). Please submit just one CD (or a maximum of two, if necessary) with all of the images you are submitting. Please **do not** send a separate CD for each image.
- New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp reserves the right to color correct and/or crop all photo entries if necessary.

**Deadline:** Entries must be received by the end of the business day on Saturday, June 15, 2019. **Entries may be submitted electronically**, mailed to the address provided below or dropped off at any of our 9 branches. For a complete listing of branch locations and hours, please visit the locations page at <http://www.themerrimack.com/about/locations.php>.

Winners will be contacted in August.

No payment or purchase is necessary to enter or win. A payment or purchase will not improve your chances of winning. Void where prohibited by law.

**Questions:** If you have any questions, please call Debbie Irwin, Assistant Vice President, Marketing Programs Officer, at 279-9160 or by email to [dirwin@nhmutual.com](mailto:dirwin@nhmutual.com).

***Due to the volume of photo entries received, we can only return winning entries so please be sure to keep copies of your submitted photos.***

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Saturday, June 15, 2019**

