



MERRIMACK
COUNTY SAVINGS BANK

2021 Merrimack County Savings Bank Photo Contest Rules

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

We're excited to host our annual photo contest once again and calling for local amateur or professional photographers to submit entries for our calendar, website and more.

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.

From Monday, May 3 through Monday, May 31, 2021, photographers may submit five (5) entries to be considered for the 2022 community calendar, desk calendar, holiday card and note cards and/or five (5) entries to be considered for display on the websites for the NH Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries: Merrimack County Savings Bank (the Merrimack), Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVS), Savings Bank of Walpole & NHTrust.

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 community calendar, desk calendar, notecards, holiday cards, social media pages or any of our 5 websites as determined by NH Mutual Bancorp. 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 and social media. 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 (the Merrimack, MVS, Savings Bank of Walpole and NHTrust) are not excluded from this competition.

To enter: Photos will only be accepted electronically and may be uploaded by clicking on the calendar photo contest link at themerrimack.com/photo-contest. Electronic submissions must be in either JPG, TIFF, or PNG format.

Official Rules may be downloaded from our website at themerrimack.com or picked up at any Merrimack branch office.

- 1. 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. If your photo is chosen, you will be sent a form that you must fill out prior to your status as a winner being finalized. If you do not submit the permission form, you will be excluded from the contest, and another winner will be chosen. These rights are non transferable and apply only to those photos selected as winners of the contest. All other rights remain with the photographer.
- 2. Parental Release Form.** If any of your submitted photographs features 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.
- 3. W9 Form.** Winning photo participants need to submit a W9 BEFORE we mail you the check. A link to the form for downloading and printing can be accessed by [clicking here](#).

Format for submitting photos for the calendars, holiday card and note cards:

Please observe the following specifications:

- Digital photography 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 saved in TIFF, EPS or JPG format and in **horizontal** orientation.
- NH Mutual Bancorp reserves the right to color correct and/or crop photo entries if necessary. Please do not submit a photo that contains a watermark on the image.

Format for submitting photos for the website and social media:

- All submissions must be in color format. Black and white photographs will not be accepted.

Please observe the following specifications:

- Winning photographs will be displayed on the homepage along the top of the page at the websites for NH Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries: MVSb, the Merrimack, Savings Bank of Walpole and NHTrust.
- High-resolution digital images must be submitted at a minimum of 72 DPI (higher preferred) at a size of at least 5300 pixels wide x 1920 pixels high. NH 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 Monday, May 31, 2021. Entries must be submitted electronically. 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 **603.279.9160** or by email to dirwin@nhmutual.com.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Monday, May 31, 2021

