

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-Stonewall Jackson Lake & Stonewall Resort State Park. 2011 Photography Contest

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers & Stonewall Resort State Park invites you to participate in our amateur Photo Contest. This contest is free and open to everyone, with the exception of contest judges and their immediate family who are not eligible to enter to win. The Photography Contest will be judge in 3 different age group categories, age 18 and up, ages 15-17, and ages 14 and under.

Content

We're looking for photos that best capture the scenic, natural, and recreation opportunities on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-Stonewall Jackson Lake, Stonewall Resort State Park Areas.

All Photographs must be taken on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-Stonewall Jackson Lake and Land, and Stonewall Resort State Park areas between: March 1, 2001 to October 29, 2011.

The Federal and State Recreation Lands are managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and West Virginia Department of Natural Resources. Photographs may not be submitted if they depict anything that does not adhere to the rules of the Federal and State Recreation Agency Lands. **All Federal and State Recreation Lands Rules must be followed when taking photographs.**

Entries must be submitted by the original photographer. Photographs taken by someone other than you, taken outside of Stonewall Jackson Lake and Lands, or photographs submitted of a person(s) without their permission and without signing the written release form will not be considered, and you will be disqualified.

Key Dates and Information:

- Photographs must be taken between: March 1, 2011 to October 29, 2011.
- Sign and submit your entry form and photograph between: October 24- 29, 2011.
- Winners will be announced at Stonewall Resort: November 12, 2011, at 1:00pm
- The top 25 Photographs from each age group in the four categories will be displayed for public viewing between: November 12-19, 2011. (Locations to be announced).

Photograph Entries

Up to three photographs may be submitted from any of the four photograph categories. Photographs submitted must be color and/or black and white photographic prints, no smaller than 5x7 and no larger than 8x10 inches. Entries must include a CD copy of submitted photograph(s). Please do not submit photos entries via e-mail.

All photographs must accurately reflect the subject matter as it appeared in the viewfinder. Nothing should be added to an image other than dust spots, and nothing should be taken away. Normal processing of image files and minor adjustments to color, contrast, red eye removal and minimal cropping are acceptable.

Rights & Usage

You must be the sole owner of the copyright of any image submitted. Your submission of each photograph is your guarantee that you are the author and copyright holder of such photograph. In addition, by entering, contestants represent and warrant that the entries that they submit (1) do not infringe any other person's or entity's rights; and (2) have not been submitted previously in a contest or promotion of any kind. By entering the contest, contestants authorize The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Benchmark Hospitality International, and West Virginia Department of Natural Resources a royalty free, non-exclusive right to use any photograph(s) submitted in publications, brochures, on the internet and for other promotional uses. See Photo Release Form.

Photography Categories

Landscape and Architect:

Beautiful and unusual scenes and unusual perspectives of wild places or architectural structures, providing expansive views on any Stonewall Jackson Land, Lake, Resort State Park area.

People in Nature/Recreation:

People enjoying the outdoors: Fishermen, hunters, kayakers, boaters, hikers, golfers etc., in natural or recreational setting.

Wildlife:

Wild animals (mammals, reptiles, amphibians, birds, fish etc). Photographed in their natural habitat (no captive animals allowed in this category).

Small World Spectaculars:

Shots of plants, animals, and miniature landscapes taken with close-up lenses.

Judging Criteria will be based on: Originality, Technical Quality, Artistic Composition and Photograph Technique.

Photography Contest Prizes

18 and Up Winners: *(1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, place winners will be selected from each of the four (4) Photography Categories.)*

1st place: One Night Stay with breakfast for 2 people, Stonewall Resort.

2nd Place: Four hour (weekday) Pontoon Rental and Lunch for 4 people, Stonewall Resort State Park.

3rd Place: Dinner for two at Stillwaters Restaurant, Stonewall Resort.

4th Place: Lunch for two people at Stillwaters Restaurant, Stonewall Resort.

Age 15-17 Winners: *(1st Place winners will be selected from each of the four (4) Photography Categories)*

1st Place: Four hour Pontoon (weekday with an adult) rental with lunch for 4 people, Stonewall Resort Park.

Age 14 and under Winners: *(1st Place winners will be selected from each of the four (4) Photography Categories)*

1st Place: Day of Fun (with an adult) and dessert for 2 people, Stonewall Resort. Day of Fun includes swimming, kayaking, and bike rentals.

All winning photos:

Winning photographs may be showcased in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers- Stonewall Jackson Lake Visitor Center, and Stonewall Resort State Park. Acknowledgement of artist will be displayed with photo.

How to Enter

1. Simply fill out “**Part One**” of the entry form and which categories you are entering your Photograph prints.
2. Fill out and Affix “**Part Two**” of the entry form to the back of your Photograph.
3. Photograph prints must be on photo paper, no smaller than 5x7 and no bigger than 8x10
4. Affix photograph to a black piece of paper (ex: poster board, card board) leaving a one inch (1”) frame/ border around photograph.
5. Distinguish the top of your photograph by marking either UP arrow or writing the word TOP on the back of your photograph.
6. Remove any personal identification from the front of your photograph.
7. Make sure to identify the location, variety or person in each photo on entry form.
8. **Have person(s) who appear in submitted photograph(s) sign the written release form.** Submit written release form with photo entry.
9. Include a **CD Copy** of photograph(s) when submitting photo entry.

Where to Mail/Drop off your Photos and Entry Form:

(All mailed entries must be post marked by October 27, 2011)

Stonewall Resort
Welcome Gate
940 Resort Drive
Roanoke W.V. 26447

Where to pick up a Map of Stonewall Jackson Lake, Resort State Park, and Entry Forms:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	(or)	Stonewall Resort	(or)	Stonewall Resort State Park
Stonewall Jackson Lake		940 Resort Drive		149 State Park Trail
1012 Skin Creek Road		Roanoke, WV 26447		Roanoke, WV 26447
Weston WV, 26452		(304) 269-8889		(304) 269-0524
(304) 269-4588				

www.wvstateparks.com/calendar.html

PART ONE

Please cut out and submit this portion of the form with you when submitting your photo entry.

Category

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Photographer: _____

(Print)

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

***18 years and under. Please tell us your age:** _____

I am the person who took the photograph(s) enclosed, and I have not assigned any of my rights associated with these photographs to any third party. By entering the photo contest I am hereby authorizing the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Stonewall Resort/Benchmark Hospitality International and WV Department of Natural Resources a royalty free, non-exclusive right to use all submitted photograph and photograph(s) in publications, in brochures, on the internet and for other promotional uses. (By filling in the information in the form including the information below, either fully or partially, and submitting the form, you grant the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Benchmark Hospitality International and W.V Department of Natural Resources the rights specified in the paragraph above).

Signature _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

(For Participants under the age of 18)

Date _____

PART TWO

Please complete this portion of the form, cut it out, and **ATTACH IT to the back of your photo entry.**

Photographer: _____

(Print)

Phone: _____

Category: _____

Title of Photo: _____

Comments about photo (ex. Person, location)

Photographer: _____

(Print)

Phone: _____

Category: _____

Title of Photo: _____

Comments about photo (ex. Person, location)

Photographer: _____

(Print)

Phone: _____

Category: _____

Title of Photo: _____

Comments about photo (ex. Person, location)



940 Resort Drive
Roanoke, WV 26447

Permission to use image, photographs

For valuable consideration received, I grant to Stonewall Resort/ Benchmark Hospitality International ("Resort"), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") and the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources ("WVDNR") the absolute and irrevocable right and unrestricted permission concerning the photographs that I have submitted for inclusion in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers photo contest conducted by the Resort. The Resort, USACE and WVDNR may use, reuse, publish, and republish the photographs in whole or in part, individually or in connection with other material, in any and all media now or hereafter known, including the internet, and for any purpose whatsoever, specifically including illustration, promotion, art, editorial, advertising, and trade, without restriction as to alteration; and to use my name in connection with any use if he/she so chooses. I release and discharge the Resort, USACE and WVDNR from any and all claims and demands that may arise out of or in connection with the use of the photographs I have submitted, including without limitation any and all claims for libel or violation of any right of publicity or privacy. This authorization and release shall also inure to the benefit of the heirs, legal representatives and licensees, assigns of Photographer, as well as person(s) of whom I took the photographs. I am a legally competent adult and have the right to contract in my own name. I have read this document and fully understand its contents. This release shall be binding upon me and my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns.

X

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
NAME

ADDRESS (Line 1) _____

ADDRESS (Line 2) _____

Person(s) in photos: I give the photographer permission to use this photograph. I have read the document above and fully understand its contents. This Release shall be binding upon me and my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____