

FOCUS ON THE BORO

MURFREESBORO COMMUNITY PHOTO EXHIBIT

Publicity Document

For Newspapers/Long-Form Media Outlets:

Murfreesboro's inaugural Photography Laureate, Jessica Goings Nelson, spent her laureate year building a network of local photographers, from amateurs to experts, facilitating connections, classes, professional development, photography outings, and new friendships. Her creation, Photography Connect Murfreesboro, organized through Facebook, is currently a group of over 900 members. Jessica's final contribution was the creation of a community-wide photography contest titled Focus on the Boro.

In 2022, its fourth year, Focus on the Boro will be on display in the City Hall Rotunda from May 3 - June 28. The purpose for this photography event is to inspire the community to get out and take pictures, experience a fun and friendly competition, and have the opportunity to exhibit and enjoy photography.

The competition is open to photographers of all ages, styles, and experience levels who live or work in Rutherford County. Each photographer may submit up to 3 images total. Subject categories include people, landscape, still life, animals, flora, architecture, sports/action, abstract/special effects, and Murfreesboro. There will be separate awards for youth (17 and younger) and adults.

Submission - March 3 - March 31, online,
culturalartsmurfreesboro.submittable.com.

Printing - April 2 - May 1

May 2 Drop Off Images

(Rotunda at City Hall times announced to participants upon acceptance)

May 3 - June 28 - Exhibit,

Rotunda at City Hall, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday

TBD - Reception, from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., in the Rotunda at City Hall

June 29 - Pick Up Images

(Rotunda at City Hall, times announced to participants upon acceptance)

First round entries will be uploaded through

culturalartsmurfreesboro.submittable.com from March 1 through March 31. Finalists will be notified by April 2 and then will print and mount their images to be turned in on May 2. The artwork will be on display from May 3 - June 28 for the community to view. All exhibits in the Rotunda are free and open to the public for viewing between 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Rotunda Gallery of City Hall is located at 111 West Vine Street, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. For questions about the exhibit contact City Hall: [615-893-5210](tel:615-893-5210) .

Results of the final judging will be announced at a community reception being held Friday, May 27, 2022, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., in the Rotunda at City Hall. All are welcome and invited to attend this free event. The Rotunda is a participating location in the Boro Art Crawl; for more information about the art crawl, see BoroArtCrawl.com .

For further information about the contest, please direct questions to photographyconnectmboro@gmail.com.

**For magazines or short-form outlets:
First release:**

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST | Focus on the Boro, a photography competition and exhibit is open to photographers of all ages, styles, and experience levels who live in Rutherford County. The categories include people, landscape, still life, animals, flora, architecture, sports/action, abstract/special effects, and Murfreesboro, and there will be separate awards for youth (17 and younger) and adults. Visit culturalartsmurfreesboro.submittable.com for more information and to submit your work. Submission period is March 3 - March 31, 2022.

Second Release:

Murfreesboro's third annual Focus on the Boro, a community photo exhibit, will be taking over the Rotunda at City Hall Rotunda from May 3 - June 28, 2022, and is open for the public to enjoy between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A community reception is being held on Friday, May 27, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., in the Rotunda at City Hall. All are welcome and invited to attend this free event. The Rotunda is a participating location in the Boro Art Crawl, for more information about the art crawl, see BoroArtCrawl.com.

Notes:

Contest submissions accepted: March 1 - March 31, 2022

Exhibit open: May 3 - June 28, 2020

Reception: Friday, May 27, 2022, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

If a form requires contact information, please put photographyconnectmboro@gmail.com.

Submissions link culturalartsmurfreesboro.submittable.com

Point people to facebook.com/groups/photographyconnectmboro, or photographyconnectmboro@gmail.com

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