

Winners Announced in 10th “ZOOM IN on Newport News” Photo Contest

Newport News, VA, Nov. 19, 2018 – The winners of the 10th “ZOOM IN on Newport News” photo contest, sponsored by Newport News Tourism, have been selected. The theme for this year’s contest was “Local Favorites.”

Jerry Gammon of Hampton won the Grand Prize in the professional category for his entry, “*Family Enjoying Lions Bridge Sunset*,” taken along the shoreline of Lions Bridge at The Mariners’ Museum and Park. When entering his photograph, Gammon wrote that this was “a great place to enjoy the beautiful James River sunset.”

Honorable Mention was won by **Justin Olthoff of Newport News** for his submission, “*Cedar Waxwings*,” taken in the berry trees found in Jefferson Commons. Of his photograph, Olthoff said, “I just love all the random locations you can find wildlife throughout this city.”

Gammon’s and Olthoff’s photographs were two of 16 submitted to the contest by six professional photographers.

James Hardison of Newport News won the Grand Prize in the non-professional category for his entry, “*Hampton Roads Harbor*,” taken from the long pier at King-Lincoln Park. Hardison called this a “beautiful overlooked spot on the Hampton Roads harbor.”

Honorable Mention was awarded to **Sandra Deans of Hampton** for her entry, “*Fire in the Sky*,” taken at Hilton Pier in Historic Hilton Village, which Deans called “a wonderful place to fish, relax, and watch the sunset over the James River.”

Hardison’s and Deans’ images were two of 142 submitted by 60 amateur photographers.

Grand Prize winners will receive \$500 each. Honorable Mention winners will receive free admission passes for four to all Newport News attractions. Additionally, winning photographs may be featured in upcoming Newport News Tourism publications, on its website, and on social media.

Winners were decided by a panel of three judges: Sandy Bridgman, Chief Operating Officer with Waters & Bridgman Marketing Solutions; Cindy Brouillard, Director of Tourism with Parks, Recreation & Tourism for the City of Newport News; and Jim Pile, retired Director of Photography with VistaGraphics and now a freelance photographer.

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2018 ZOOM IN on Newport News Photo Contest Professional Winners



Jerry Gammon of Hampton won the Grand Prize in the professional category for his entry, "Family Enjoying Lions Bridge Sunset," taken The Mariners' Museum & Park.

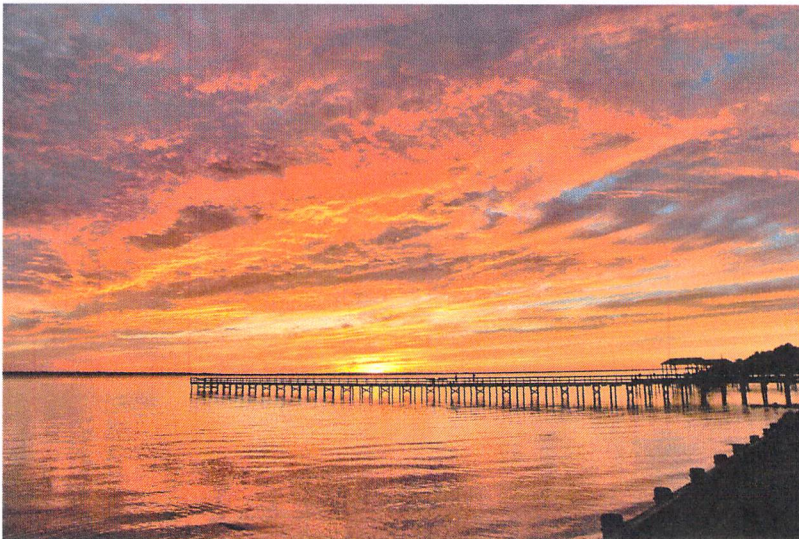


Honorable Mention was won by **Justin Olthoff of Newport News** for his submission, "*Cedar Waxwings*," taken in the berry trees of Jefferson Commons.

2018 ZOOM IN on Newport News Photo Contest Non-Professional Winners



James Hardison of Newport News won the Grand Prize in the non-professional category for his entry, "*Hampton Roads Harbor*," taken at King-Lincoln Park.



Honorable Mention was awarded to **Sandra Deans of Hampton** for her entry, "*Fire in the Sky*," taken at Hilton Pier in Historic Hilton Village.