ZOOM IN on Newport News Photo Contest Starts June 1
~ Submit your photo by Oct. 31, 2022, for a chance to win a $500 cash grand prize ~

Newport News, VA, May 27, 2022 – The spring and summer months are an ideal time to take photos in Newport News, and this year your photograph might win you $500. Kicking off June 1, the city’s ZOOM IN on Newport News Photo Contest is returning for its 13th year. The theme for this year’s competition is “H₂O in NN.”

Of the 120 square miles that is Newport News, 51 square miles is water. The city is located near the mouth of the James River, extending southeast from Skiffe’s Creek along many miles of waterfront to the Hampton Roads harbor. That means there should be no problem finding the perfect photo of Newport News that includes water – whether it is along the Warwick River or on tributaries like Deep Creek and Lucas Creek.

We envision entries ranging from stunning waterfront sunsets to massive naval vessels going in for repair at Newport News Shipyard – and everything in between. Even the aquariums at the Virginia Living Museum are suitable backdrops for your submissions. If it includes water in Newport News, consider it entry-worthy!

Submitted images may be used in Newport News Tourism publications and on the city’s tourism website, therefore we ask that the photographs be taken in places that are recognizable as “Newport News.” We also ask that contestants not submit “selfies,” as these will not be eligible for the contest. People can be featured in the photos but if the photograph includes a recognizable face, then the model release section of the entry form must be completed.

A panel of judges will choose the winners. Participants may submit up to five photographs, digital or film. Photographs taken prior to June 1, 2022, are eligible to be entered, but photos previously submitted to a prior ZOOM IN on Newport News Photo Contest are not allowed in the competition.

Entries will be accepted through October 31, 2022. Last year, the age limit for contestants entering the competition was lowered from 18 to 12. Additionally, Newport News Tourism has eliminated the “professional” and “non-professional” categories to award just one grand prize of $500 to a single winner. An honorable mention prize of two VIP Passports for four people to enjoy the attractions in Newport News, valued at more than $100, is awarded to the runner-up.

Click here or visit www.newport-news.org for full contest details – including entry form, submission guidelines, location ideas, and other suggestions to help you get started. Call the Newport News Visitor Center at 757-886-7777 or 888-493-7386 for additional information.

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