

PARTNERS IN PALO DURO CANYON FOUNDATION

2026 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

ENTRY DEADLINE | April 13, 2026

Deliver entries to:

Palo Duro Canyon State Park Visitors Center/Canyon Gallery
-OR-

Mail entries to (entries must be received by contest deadline):

Partners in Palo Duro Canyon Foundation Photography Contest
11450 Park Road 5, Canyon, TX 79015

JUDGING AND AWARDS | April 25, 2026

Mack Dick Pavilion, Palo Duro Canyon State Park

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Public Judging – April 25, 10:00am – 4:00pm

Awards Presentation – April 25, 6:00pm

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

1. Categories: Wildlife, Plants, Landscape, People
2. Photo requirements: Must be 8x10, unmounted, unframed
3. A digital copy of each submitted image is required to be submitted on a thumb drive
4. Limit 1 photograph per category per photographer
5. Photos must have been taken in Palo Duro Canyon State Park, not a winner in a previous Palo Duro Canyon State Park photo contest, and no more than two years old
6. No title, identification of the participant or watermark shall be visible anywhere on the face of an image
7. Each photograph must have the following information written on the back: category, name of photographer, phone number, physical address, email address
8. Every part of an image must be the maker's own work. Artificial Intelligence or AI cannot be used to add elements to an image that were not taken by the maker. AI functions such as denoising, healing, sharpening are allowed, as long as AI generated objects, people, or other elements are not introduced into the image. Makers may be asked to submit original images prior to approval
9. Photos that are deemed obscene, vulgar, sexually-oriented, hateful, threatening, or otherwise violate any decency standards or laws are strictly prohibited. Partners in Palo Duro Canyon Foundation reserves the right to determine and refuse inappropriate or unsuitable entries
10. Awards will be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each category. Rosette ribbons and gift cards to the Palo Duro Canyon State Park Canyon Gallery will be awarded as follows: \$100 for 1st, \$75 for 2nd and \$50 for 3rd

10. By entering the contest, individuals certify that they are the photographer of the entered photograph(s) and give express permission for Partners of Palo Duro Canyon Foundation to use the photographs in advertising, and marketing
11. A Partners of Palo Duro Canyon State Park Foundation 2026 Photo Release must be provided for each participant
12. All entries will become the sole property of Partners and will not be returned
13. **If a participant is unable to meet all of the submission requirements, Partners in its sole discretion, reserves the right to disqualify the submission**

*****Members of Partners in Palo Duro Canyon Foundation board of directors and photo contest committee members are not eligible to enter the contest*****

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