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## 2009 ENTRY PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

### ENTRY DEADLINE: THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2009

The **Banff Mountain Photography Competition** is a program of Mountain Culture at The Banff Centre, which promotes understanding and appreciation of the world's mountain places by creating opportunities for people to share – and find inspiration in – mountain experiences, ideas and visions.

Other Mountain Culture activities include:

- Banff Mountain Film Festival
- Banff Mountain Book Festival
- Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour
- Banff Adventure Photography Workshop
- Banff Mountain Writing Program
- Banff Mountain Filmmakers' Workshop
- Mountain Communities Conferences
- Mountain Grants Program
- Banff Mountain Summits

### Categories

**Mountain Adventure** – images depicting any mountain sport such as climbing, kayaking, mountain biking, skiing, snowboarding, mountaineering, etc.

**Mountain Culture** – images with a cultural theme focusing on indigenous mountain people and their customs, traditions and ways of life as related to their mountain environment.

**Mountain Environment**– images that communicate an important message about the mountain environment/ecosystems.

**Mountain Flora/Fauna**– images of plants and animals found in a mountain environment.

**Mountain Landscape** – images of mountain landscapes.

### Prizes to be awarded

**Grand Prize** - \$1,000Cdn plus gifts from our sponsors will be awarded to the winner of the best overall photograph, regardless of category.

**Category Prizes** - \$500Cdn plus gifts from our sponsors will be awarded to the winner in each of the five categories.

**Y2Y Prize** - \$500Cdn will be awarded to the photographer with the best overall photograph from the Yellowstone to Yukon Region (Y2Y), regardless of category. Please visit [www.y2y.net](http://www.y2y.net) for a complete description of the Y2Y eco-region. Images must be labelled "Y2Y Region" in addition to their category of entry to be considered for this prize.

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY- several rules have changed this year**

### Entries

1. The competition is open to amateur and professional photographers.
2. There is no entry fee. (See **Deadlines & Shipping** for return of materials.)
3. Entries will be judged on the basis of composition, technique, content, originality, and effectiveness in conveying a **mountain theme**.
4. You may enter up to a maximum of **three (3)** images in each of the five (5) categories for a total of **fifteen (15)** images. The five mountain categories are: **Adventure, Culture, Environment, Flora/Fauna, and Landscape**.
5. Entries must be accompanied by a completed and **signed** entry form (if by mail/courier) or by using the on-line form.

*Are you submitting digital images? Please see specific procedures below.*

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### Format guidelines:

#### PRINTS

- Unmounted, unmounted and unframed
- The longest dimension of the print must be a minimum of 10 inches (25cm) and a maximum of 15 inches (38cm).
- Colour or black-and-white, non-gloss or semi-gloss.
- If the proper orientation of the print is not obvious, please have an arrow (↑) on the back to indicate the top of the print.

#### SLIDES

- 35mm DUPLICATE slides only – do not send original slides.
- Other transparencies are not accepted.
- All slides must have an “F” in the top right corner to indicate the front top of the slide.
- Colour or black-and-white

#### DIGITAL IMAGES

- 1024 x 768 pixels; 72 ppi
- JPG Image files no larger than 1Mb
- Embedded sRGB colour space
- No composite images
- No watermarking or digital mattes, frames or borders
- Photographer’s name should not be visible on the image (every effort is made to judge entries based on the image alone and without distractions)

Note If your image is selected as a winner, we will require a high resolution version for exhibition and printing purposes (print up to 14 x 20 inches).

### Labelling and file-naming:

1. Each print or slide **must** be labelled with the photographer’s name, phone number, and category of entry.  
(prints – details on the back only)
2. Entries for the Y2Y prize must also be labelled “Y2Y Region”.
3. Digital image file names must follow this format: YOUR LAST NAME\_YOUR FIRST NAME\_CATEGORY\_image number.JPG
4. Unidentified files with only Original Camera File Prefix numbers will be rejected.

### Copyright & Reproduction:

1. You must be the author and sole owner of the copyright for all images you enter.
2. Entry in the competition constitutes agreement to allow photographs chosen as special mentions or winners to be reproduced, published and/or exhibited for promotional purposes, only as they pertain to the Banff Mountain Photography Competition and Mountain Culture at The Banff Centre. The photographer retains copyright, and all images will be credited to the photographer.
3. All model releases are the responsibility of the entrant.

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#### Deadlines & Shipping:

1. Entries must be received at our office in Banff no later than **April 30, 2009**.
2. Receipt of photos will **not** be acknowledged.
3. Digital entries will be accepted via FTP (instructions will follow after receipt of your entry form), or on CD.
3. Entries (prints, slides or CDs) will be returned **if** accompanied by a **self-addressed envelope** and sufficient **CANADIAN** postage; **OR** by payment (credit card or cheque) for postage. If you are not able to supply sufficient **CANADIAN** postage, please provide \$20 CDN/US funds for North American entries and \$30 CDN/US Funds for overseas entries. Entries will be returned by **July 31, 2009**, in the packaging provided by the entrant. Please do not send postal reply coupons.
4. To avoid damage, all shipped or mailed entries should be packaged securely. Please submit slides in an 8.5 x 11 inch sleeve.
5. Winners will be notified by **June 30, 2009**.
6. While every care will be taken with material entered, the Banff Mountain Photography Competition cannot be responsible for loss of or damage to entries.

#### Mail or courier entries to:

BANFF MOUNTAIN PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION  
Mountain Culture at The Banff Centre  
107 Tunnel Mountain Drive  
PO Box 1020  
Banff Alberta Canada T1L 1H5  
Tel: 403 762 6347  
Fax: 403 762 6277

**Entries from outside Canada** must indicate the declared value in Canadian dollars on the outside of the package. Failure to do so may result in the entrant having to pay tax and duty charges levied by Canada Customs. *Please note that the declared value should be equivalent to the cost of materials only. (approx. \$0.75<sup>CDN</sup> per print, \$0.05<sup>CDN</sup> per slide or \$1.00 per CD)*

**Not adhering to the guidelines may disqualify your entry.**

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