

2023 Clare & Gilbert Valleys Photography Competition Guidelines

The Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council is seeking entries to the 2023 Clare & Gilbert Valleys Photography Competition!

The Competition is free entry and each category only can submit three (3) photos.

Council is seeking photos for the following **categories**:

Clare Valley Wine and Grape Places & Landscape This category is for photographs of places (for example landscapes, streetscapes, etc).

Honeycomb. Design People & Story This category is for photographs of People (for example portrait, tourists, etc). The photo should tell a story.

Clare Valley Business & Tourism Association Nature & Wildlife This category is for photographs of animals or plant.

History & Heritage This category is for photographs of heritage buildings, structures or places.

Junior Junior is for entrants aged under 18. Junior is an open-themed category: you may capture any subject you like.

There will be an award for each category.

The following major awards are:

People's Choice Award

- ✓ The judge's select the Top 10 photos of the competition and then the public get to select the winner. These photos are selected from the categories above.

Photo of the Year Award

- ✓ The Photo of the Year will be the photo selected by the Judges as the best photo over all categories.
- ✓ Photos selected by the Judges must demonstrate excellence in photography skills, uniqueness and story-telling.
- ✓ The Photo of the Year winner's photo will not be able to win the category award that it was entered into.

Key criteria for each photo are:

- ✓ Relevance to the Theme.
- ✓ Technical expertise (exposure; depth of field; colour or tonal rendition; contrast; and lighting).
- ✓ General characteristics (originality; style; context; photographic vision).
- ✓ Overall impact (Whether the photo was able to grab and hold the viewers' attention. Is there a "wow" factor).

Council welcomes everyone to participate in this year's photography competition.

Key Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entries must be submitted before 4th June (Sun), 2023, 11:59pm SA time. • People's Choice Awards voting period: 26th June to 9th July • Winner Announced: 14th July, 2023 on the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Facebook page. • Photography Competition Exhibition and opening dates will be arranged later in 2023.
Fee	The Competition is free to enter.
Entry Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The competition is open to anyone and is not restricted to residents of the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council region. • We highly encourage entries from First Nations people, culturally diverse people, people from the LGBTQIA+ community and people living with disability. • The contest is open to entrants of all skill levels. • The 'Junior' category is open to photographers who are aged under 18 years at the time they submit their entry.
Entries Submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All images and the entry form can be submitted digitally via email cgvcphtographycompetition@gmail.com • Where it is not possible, please contact us.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please title your email – “2023 CGVC Photography Competition” and identify which category you're submitting into. • Please name your entries – “Entry title_First name”. For example: “Cat Photo_Cecilia”. • Late submissions will not be considered unless prior arrangements have been made.
Entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The photos must be taken within the Clare & Gilbert Valleys' geographical area. <u>Exception</u>: People & Story category's photo can be taken in anywhere. • Participants must submit the Entries which were taken within two (2) years of the submission entry date. • Any photo entered in 2022 Photography Competitions cannot be entered into the contest again. • Entrants can submit up to three (3) images in each category. Please refer to “ The Categories” on page 3. • No animals can be harmed or manipulated in the making of the image. • The entrant must not have breached any laws when taking their photographs. • If submissions include people, the photographer is responsible for obtaining the necessary releases form (Photo Consent Form) the individuals depicted. If this permission is not provided, the image will be ineligible. The form can be downloaded on the Competition webpage on the Council website. • The Entries must be original. Competition organisers reserve the right to disqualify any image through plagiarism or they suspect may have been captured illegally.
Licence	<p>The Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council will hold a non-exclusive royalty-free licence, for the purpose of marketing and promotion. The photographer retains the right to use, copy, sell, licence, and distribute copies of the Work.</p>
The Categories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clare Valley Wine & Grape Place & Landscape Award: This category is for photographs of places (for example landscapes, streetscapes, etc). People and animals may be included in this category, but they should not be the primary focus of the image. • Honeycomb. Design People & Story: This category is for photographs of People (for example portrait, tourists, etc). The

	<p>image should tell a story, and it can be taken in anywhere. The Photo Consent Form is required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clare Valley Business & Tourism Association Nature & Wildlife: This category is for photographs of animals. The main subject in your image should be an animal or group of animals. Animals may be captive or wild. • History & Heritage: This category is for photographs of heritage buildings, structures or places. The main subject in your image should be a heritage building, structure or place, and people should not be included in this category. The image should not capture any branding. • Junior: Junior is for entrants aged under 18. Junior is an open-themed category: you may capture any subject you like. <u>If you are 15 years or under, the guardian details must be provided on page 9.</u>
<p>Prize and Award</p>	<p>The winning rankings and prizes will be divided into the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People's Choice Award - \$750 • Photo of the Year Award - \$500 • Clare Valley Wine and Grape Place & Landscape Award - \$200 for 1st place, \$100 for second • Honeycomb. Design People & Story Award - \$200 for 1st place, \$100 for second • Clare Valley Business & Tourism Association Nature & Wildlife Award - \$200 for 1st place, \$100 for second • History & Heritage Award - \$200 for 1st place, \$100 for second • Junior Award – First and Second places - \$200 for 1st place, \$100 for second <p>Note: The Photo of the Year winner's photo will not able to win the category award that it was entered into.</p>

<p>Criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevance to the Theme. • Technical (exposure; depth of field; colour or tonal rendition; contrast; and lighting). • General characteristics (originality; style; context; photographic vision). • Overall impact (Whether the photo was able to grab and hold the viewers' attention. Is there a "wow" factor). • People's Choice Award – will allow the broader public to select on their top photo out of the "Top 10" photos determined by the judges. The entries will be uploaded on the Council website for people to assess and vote. • Photo of the Year Award – The Photo of the Year will be the photo selected by the Judges as the best photo over all categories. Photos selected by the Judges must demonstrate excellence in photography skills, uniqueness and story-telling. The winner's photo will not be able to win the category award that it was entered into. • The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
<p>Announcement & Prize Received</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After the judging concludes, the winners will be notified via email sent to their registered email addresses by mid-June 2023. • The winners must enter the New Supplier Details Form within <u>fourteen (14)</u> days of the sending of the award notification email. • The Prize will be paid within one month. • Junior awards prizes' will received cash at the exhibition opening. <p>Note: Entrants should notify the organiser of any changes to their email address.</p>
<p>Digital Manipulation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Images may be edited in post-production to correct common photography factors like cropping, noise, sharpness, colour, tone, contrast, and lens corrections. • Photographs must be single captures; not composites; except in the case of stitched panoramas. Focus-stacking, and HDR images are also allowable. • All editing and post-production tasks must be completed by the entrant.

<p>Image Requirement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Images should be no smaller than 1MB and no larger than 10MB. • Images should be JPEG files. • Entries may have been taken from any camera, film (as scanned slides) or digital. • Images should be no less than 300dpi, and at least 2000px on the longest edge. • Do not include watermarks, logos or any other branding on your images. • Please name your entry same as your image list title.
<p>Exhibition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All photos in the 2024 Clare & Gilbert Valleys Calendar will be exhibited. • The Exhibition time will be arranged later in the year. • All awards will be issued during the exhibition opening night.
<p>2024 Calendar</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The winners' photos and the second places will become part of the images of the 2024 Clare & Gilbert Valleys Calendar published by the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council. • The People Choice Award's photo will become the cover of the calendar. • The winners will receive two calendars at the exhibition opening night.
<p>Promotion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council, Clare Valley Information Centre and Regional Development Australia reserve the right to use the winner photos for the purpose of marketing and promotion.

- By submitting images to this contest, entrant warrants that all of the above eligibility requirements have been met. Entries violating the above terms and conditions will be disqualified and all prize money and product prizes must be returned to Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council.
- If you have any questions, please contact: Cultural Tourism Coordinator / Cecilia Wang cwang@cgvc.sa.gov.au / (08) 8842 6400

Photographer Information

Photographer's name	
Email address	
Phone number	

Image List

1	Image location	
	Title (if any)	
	Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Places & Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> Nature & Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/> People & Story <input type="checkbox"/> History & Heritage
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3	Image location	
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Junior Photographer Information

Photographer's name	
Email address (if any)	
Phone number (if any)	

Guardian contact detail

Name	
Email address	
Phone number	

Image List

1	Image location	
	Title (if any)	
	Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior
2	Image location	
	Title (if any):	
	Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior
3	Image location	
	Title (if any):	
	Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior