



GNBAC, GNBPC, and PSA Youth Showcase Rules

Goal

The goal of the Photographic Society of America (PSA) Youth Showcase is to engage the Society and its Chapters, clubs, councils, and federations in promoting and educating young people about photography by highlighting outstanding images from high school-age students.

Student Participation

The Greater New Braunfels Arts Council (GNBAC) sponsors a state showcase, open to all students ages 14 to 18 who are in high school or its equivalent. The Greater New Braunfels Photography Club (GNBPC), serving as the students' representative, will select the photographs and submit each school's winning entries to PSA.

Entry Rules

1. Each student may enter 16 digital images at the state level in six categories. The six categories and permitted number of entries in each section are:

CATEGORY	Abbreviation	# OF IMAGES PER STUDENT
Architecture	ARCH	2 in Digital JPEG Format
People/Animals	PORA	2 in Digital JPEG Format
Landscapes/Waterscapes/Cityscapes	SCAPES	2 in Digital JPEG Format
Photojournalism	PJOU	2 in Digital JPEG Format
Photographer's Choice Color	CCHOI	4 in Digital JPEG Format
Photographer's Monochrome	MCHOI	4 in Digital JPEG Format

2. A showcase model release form must accompany any image containing a recognizable person. The exception to this is a photojournalism image showing crowds, spot news, sports events, or any public event.

3. All images, and all parts thereof, must be taken by the student.

4. An entrant's photographic submissions must be from only one school.

5. Each image must have a title. Use of "untitled" or numbering for a title is unacceptable. The maximum length of the title is 25 characters, including spaces. The title cannot contain the following characters; otherwise, the image will display a fatal error when entered into the competition software. () ! , " . / ? _ \ = ' \$



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Texas Youth Photography Showcase — How to Submit (Step-by-Step)

Step 1 — Create one submission folder

Create a folder named:

LastNameFirstName-TXYPs2026

Example: **DoeMary-TXYPs2026**

Inside that folder, create two subfolders:

- **01_Forms**
- **02_Photos**

Step 2 — Download and complete your forms

All forms are downloaded from: <https://schertzphoto.com/gnbac>

Complete the required forms (and sign where needed). Save them as PDFs.

A) Student Release (Attestation)

Download file: **03 PSA GNBAC GNBPC Youth Showcase Fillable Student Release (Attestation)**

Save the file name as:

LastNameFirstName-StudentRelease.pdf

Examples:

- **DoeMary-StudentRelease.pdf**
- **SmithJohn-StudentRelease.pdf**
- **JonesMike-StudentRelease.pdf**

Put this PDF into: **01_Forms**



B) Image Entry Form (one per photo)

Download file: **04 PSA GNBAC GNBPC Fillable Photo Entry Form**

Save the file name as:

CategoryAbbreviation-LastNameFirstName-PhotoName-EntryForm.pdf

Examples:

- **ARCH-DoeMary-White House-EntryForm.pdf**
- **CCHOI-SmithJohn-Roses-EntryForm.pdf**
- **SCAPES-JonesMike-Grand Canyon-EntryForm.pdf**

Put each Entry Form PDF into: **01_Forms**

C) Model Release (only if your photo includes a recognizable person)

Download file: **05 PSA GNBAC GNBPC YPSC MODEL RELEASE**

Save the file name as:

CategoryAbbreviation-LastNameFirstName-PhotoName-ModelRelease.pdf

Examples:

- **ARCH-DoeMary-WhiteHouse-ModelRelease.pdf**
- **CCHOI-SmithJohn-Roses-ModelRelease.pdf**
- **SCAPES-JonesMike-GrandCanyon-ModelRelease.pdf**

Put each Model Release PDF into: **01_Forms**



Step 3 — Export your final photo files and name them correctly

Save each final image as a JPG and name it:

CategoryAbbreviation-LastNameFirstName-PhotoName.jpg

Examples:

- **ARCH-DoeMary-White House.jpg**
- **CCHOI-SmithJohn-Roses.jpg**
- **SCAPES-JonesMike-Grand Canyon.jpg**

Put all JPGs into: **02_Photos**

Step 4 — Make sure your “PhotoName” matches across all files

For every photo you submit, the **PhotoName** must match exactly on:

- the JPG image file
- the Entry Form PDF
- the Model Release PDF (if required)

Example set (all match “White House”):

- **ARCH-DoeMary-White House.jpg**
- **ARCH-DoeMary-White House-EntryForm.pdf**
- **ARCH-DoeMary-White House-ModelRelease.pdf** (if required)

Step 5 — Use these PhotoName rules (important)

To avoid upload and download issues, your **PhotoName** must:

- Use letters and numbers only (and spaces are okay)
- Avoid special characters: / \ : * ? " < > | & # %
- Keep it reasonably short (recommended: 2–6 words)



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Step 6 — Share your folder (Google Drive preferred; iCloud allowed)

Option A (Preferred): Google Drive

1. Right-click your main folder (**LastNameFirstName-TXYP2026**) → **Share**
2. Add: **gnbacypc@gmail.com**

1. Set access to: **Viewer**
2. Click **Send**

Option B: iCloud Drive

1. In **Files** (iPhone/iPad) or **iCloud Drive** (Mac), select your folder → **Share** → **Share Folder**
2. Choose **View only** and **Only people you invite**
3. Invite: **gnbacypc@gmail.com**

Step 7 — Submit confirmation (one short message)

Send a short message confirming:

- Student name
- School name
- Teacher sponsor name
- Categories entered
- Folder link, if prompted

No attachments required.

Entry Forms

1. The entry forms must be fully completed to grant permission to PSA, GNBAC, and GNBPC to reproduce the image for exhibition at the PSA Photo Festival, to showcase in the Youth Showcase Program, for publication in the PSA JOURNAL and souvenir brochure, and for display on the PSA website and the Texas Youth Photography Showcase platforms. If the student is under age 18, their parent or guardian must also sign the entry form. The student also certifies that all elements of the image are their own work.



2. The entry forms must include the student's home email address. School emails are not permitted. It should be the student's personal email to ensure contact can be maintained during the summer.

Digital Entries

1. The IMAGE requirements are as follows:

- The image's longest dimension is to be 2100 pixels.
- The image format is to be "jpg" at the highest setting.
- For best projection, images should be saved in the "sRGB" color space.

2. How are we requiring submission?

- Email the requested information and link to your files and digital images by the closing date to: GNBACYPC@gmail.com
- Entries that lack the required information or are formatted incorrectly may be rejected.
- It is recommended that you submit the link to your images as early as possible, since this allows the judging committee time to review the image packets and request corrections from you before the closing date. Packets not submitted correctly may be rejected.