LA Youth Photography Competition - Rules

1. Eligibility

- o The competition is open to all youth in **Los Angeles County**.
- All participants must be under 18 years old.
- o Participants must submit their own original work. *Plagiarized and AI work will be disqualified*.

2. Submission Guidelines

- o Participants can submit **one** (1) **photograph** each.
- o The photo should be **high-resolution** (300dpi) and submitted electronically via our website. We will not disqualify any work even if it is low resolution, but high resolution is preferred for best quality.
- o **No digital alterations or edits** (e.g., no heavy filters). Only light touch-ups please. We prefer to see your raw and unfiltered work.
- o Photos should be appropriate for all audiences and should not contain any offensive or inappropriate content, i.e. no extreme nudity or violence.

3. Themes

- We encourage focus on the theme of "**Resilience**" showing life in post-fire LA. However, participants are free to submit photos in any style or subject matter they choose.
- o Photos can capture anything from nature, portraits, urban life, abstract, self-portrait, etc.

4. Submission Deadline

o All submissions must be received by **May 15, 2025**. Late entries cannot be accepted. If the deadline is extended it will be published on our social media and website.

5. Judging & Exhibition

- A panel of local artists will review all submissions and select the final pieces for the exhibition. If space and time allow, all submissions will be exhibited. We will strive to include as many entries as possible given the availability of space and resources. The goal of this contest is to expand access to exhibit space, so our goal is to do as little editing of the submissions as possible. Our only restrictions may be the number of entries and physical exhibit space.
- o The selected photos will be professionally printed, framed, and displayed at a gallery exhibition in Los Angeles. The exact location and date will be announced at the close of the submission period.
- Public voting will determine the three prize winners at the exhibition.

6. Prizes

- Winners will receive prizes as below:
 - 1. **First Place:** Canon EOS Rebel Camera (or similar)
 - 2. Second Place: Mini Photo Printer Kit
 - 3. Third Place: \$100 Blick Art Materials Gift Card
- o All participants will receive recognition, have their photo featured on our website, be included in the exhibition program, and be invited to the exhibition opening reception.

7. Ownership & Usage Rights

- o By entering the competition, participants grant Mount of Angels a license in perpetuity to use their photos for promotional purposes, including but not limited to social media, exhibitions, and press releases.
- o Participants retain the copyright of their work but must agree to the usage rights outlined here.
- o Participants may have a copy of their printed and framed work upon request. It is envisioned that the printed works may be displayed in other galleries or may go on tour, so the foundation is granted physical custody of the works and the right to transport and display them in perpetuity.

8. Entry Fee

o There is **NO FEE** to participate in the competition.

9. How to Enter

- o Submit your photo via our website at www.mountofangels.com
- o When you upload, complete the prompts with your name, age, and a brief description of your photograph.

10. Contact Information

For questions or more information, please contact:
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