

# Open Call for Photographers

## *Texas Parks: The Treasure We Share*

*Through the lens, for the land*



### Inspired Minds Art Center Gallery – Buda, TX

Inspired Minds Art Center invites photographers to submit work for an upcoming group exhibition featuring images taken in **Texas state and national parks**. This show will celebrate the beauty, diversity, and spirit of our public lands—from desert landscapes and forest trails to wildlife encounters and sweeping vistas.

We welcome photographers of all levels who have captured the essence of Texas Parks through their lens. This exhibition will highlight a range of visual voices while maintaining a consistent and professional presentation from each artist.

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## Requirements

- Submitting photographers must be 18 years of age or older.
  - Submitted photographs **must have been taken in Texas** within a **Texas state or national park**.
  - For each image, include the **name of the park, location, and date** (or at least year and season) it was taken.
  - All work must be **gallery-ready**, with a **secure picture hanging wire** compatible with our STAS picture hanging system.
  - Photographers must maintain **presentation consistency** across their submitted works (e.g., frame type, mounting method, and/or size proportions).
  - Accepted display methods include framed prints, metal prints, canvas wraps, and other professional hanging formats.
  - **Limited edition prints** are accepted. Edition numbers must be included in your submission.
  - Unframed prints (e.g., sleeved or shrink-wrapped) may be sold in designated print racks during the exhibition.
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## Image Size and Quality Requirements

- **Minimum resolution:** 300 DPI at intended print size  
(e.g., if a photo is to be printed at 12" x 18", the image file should be at least 3600 x 5400 pixels)
  - **Accepted file formats:** JPEG (.jpg), TIFF (.tif), or PNG (.png)  
(high quality, no watermarks or borders)
  - Images that do not meet professional quality standards may not be accepted for the exhibition.
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## Submission Fee:

- \$50 submission fee for a maximum total of 5 submission pieces.
  - Payment will be collected through submission form
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## Submission Guidelines

- Artists may submit a **maximum of 5 pieces** for consideration.
- Each image must include:
  - Title
  - Size
  - Medium / Print method
  - Price (if for sale)
  - Park name, location, and date (or at least the year and season)
- Size Maximum: 36"x48"(3x4 ft)
- If selected, up to 2 pieces may be included in the show.
- Submissions are subject to curation based on the number of entries and available wall space.
- Artists must include a short **artist statement or personal reflection (350 words or fewer)** describing their connection to Texas parks and the photographs they are submitting.
- **Gallery commission is 40%.** Prices listed should reflect this commission rate.

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## Important Dates

- **Open Call Closes:** Tuesday, May 13 at 1 PM
- **Artist Notification:** Friday, May 16
- **Artwork Drop-Off:** Tuesday & Wednesday, May 27–28, from 1–6 PM
- **Exhibition Dates:** May 30 – June 21
- **Artist Reception:** Friday, May 30, from 6–8 PM
- **Artwork Pick-Up:**
  - Saturday, June 21 from 3–5 PM
  - or Monday, June 23 from 1–6 PM

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## How to Submit

**Submissions must be made through the official Google Form, click below to apply!**  
[Open Call for Photographers Submission Form Texas Parks: The Treasure We Share.](#)

Our Gallery and Gift Shop Policies are listed in this document [Gallery and Gift Shop Policies](#), upon acceptance into the show we will have a couple of forms for you to sign.

Please contact our Gallery Manager, Joy Bliss at [joy@inspiredminds.art](mailto:joy@inspiredminds.art) with any questions

Visit our website at [inspiredminds.art](http://inspiredminds.art) for more general information

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