

Results-
Equisarte Online Photography Horse Show
(Summer 2023)

Congratulations to all the Winners!!!

Thank you for participating in Equisarte's Online Photography Summer Show! There were so many great shots to consider making it more difficult to select the order of winners. That's a good thing because it means not only did you have fun doing the challenges, you are growing in your ability to visualize in your mind, create an image that tells a story, and is optically pleasing to the eye! Photography is art, technique, story telling, composure, and lighting.

Photography is all about slowing down to take a look- there is beauty in the simplest of things and we appreciated seeing the beauty you found. It was really special to see all the different beautiful flowers from all over the country and the different ways you chose to present them in your artwork. We also enjoyed seeing the different surfaces and techniques used to capture something being reflected! We noticed the time it took to take some of your shots and a huge improvement from many of our past participants- keep up the excellent work everyone! To get a good shot a photographer may need to plan ahead and set it up, take multiple photos, or they may notice something beautiful and have their camera handy at the right time. We saw a lot of great ideas- new techniques that showed risk taking and it was wonderful to see a variety of these techniques implemented!

With over 300 images submitted we chose to split many classes. When judging we chose the best or stronger of the two photos submitted per category- which was no easy task! We also added a *Best of Class* category for those classes with large amounts of entries! Best of Class winners will get a ribbon similar to 1st-6th place winners. Ribbons will begin to be mailed out ASAP. *Congratulations again!*

Junior Classes Ages 6-11

Best in Show 6-11

Lucy Andrews age 9 "Fuggles" #7 Farm Friends



What an adorable photo of Fuggles who appears to be smiling for the camera! Lucy used a nice shallow depth of field to show off Fuggles muzzle and lovely whiskers! Fuggles muzzle is in good focus and the background is slightly blurred. We can see a little of the background and Lucy was sure to capture Fuggles ears in the composition making this photo look very pleasing to the eye!

Reserve Best in Show 6-11



Harper Mayes "Baby Staring Contest" #5 Beautiful Babies

One aspect we love about the junior category is that we see a unique view or angle at which the child sees! Harper did a great job holding the camera still to capture these horses. It really does look like this foal is having a staring contest with the viewer! Great job and fun title!

#4 Most Artistic

1st Place

Lucy Andrews age 9 "River" #4 Most Artistic

2nd Place

Zoey Herron age 10 "Zeus" #4 Most Artistic

#5 Beautiful Babies

1st Place

Zoey Herron age 10 "Chicky"

2nd Place

Lucy Andrews age 9 "My Beautiful Boy"

#9 Summer Blooms

1st Place

Rylie Caldwell age 11 "Bright Yellow Sunflower" #9 Summer Blooms

2nd Place

Lucy Andrews age 9 "Untitled" #9 Summer Blooms

Junior Class Combined Classes ages 6-11

#1 In Summer, #2 Reflection, #7, Farm Friends, #8 Best Friends

1st Place

Lucy Andrews 9 year old "Cool Shades" #1 In Summer

2nd Place

Lucy Andrews age 9 "Look at the camera, Charlie!" #2 Reflection

3rd Place

Lucy Andrews age 9 "Barn Friends are the Best Friends" #8 Best Friends

4th Place

Zoey Herron age 10 "BFF's" #7 Farm Friends

Junior Classes Ages 12 - 15

Best in Show 12-15

Alexis Ryan age 15 "Reflection of the Summer Sky" #2 Reflection



What a beautiful sunset reflecting on the water and between the ears! Alexis did a great job using color and light with this photo! It can be difficult to keep the subject matter in good detail and light with such a bright backlit sky. The horse is sharp and in focus and the background looks like a painting!

Reserve Best in Show 12-15



Sophia Adair age 14 "Sleepy Barn Kittens" #5 Beautiful Babies

Two barn kittens snuggled up next to each other taking a nap! Sophia did an excellent job keeping the subject in focus allowing the many textures of this image to show off! The colors and lighting is lovely and she did a great job using a shallow depth of field to blur the background. You can almost hear the kittens purr as they drift off to sleep!

#1 In Summer

1st Place

Emma Boucher age 12 "Peaceful Pastures"

2nd Place

Alexis Ryan age 15 "Sandy Paws"

#3 Through the Ears

Best of Class

Alexis Ryan age 15 "A Hack in the Woods"

1st Place

Emma Boucher age 12 "Storm Building to the West"

2nd Place

Sophia Adair age 14 "Trail Ride through the Mountains"

3rd Place

Emily Neises age 12 "Leah I"

#4 Most Artistic

1st Place

Alexis Ryan age 15 "As Grey as the Cloud in the Sky"

2nd Place

Emma Boucher age 12 "It's never just black and white...."

#8 Best Friends

1st Place

Sophia Adair age 14 "The 3 Amigos"

2nd Place

Alexis Ryan age 15 "Rays of Sunshine and Love"

#9 Summer Blooms

1st Place

Alexis Ryan age 15 "April Showers and May Flowers"

2nd Place

Emma Boucher age 12 "Spider Wort"

Junior Class Combined Classes ages 12 - 15

#2 Reflection, #5 Beautiful Babies, #7 Farm Friends

1st Place

Alexis Ryan age 15 "The One and Only Steven" #7 Farm Friends

2nd Place

Emma Boucher age 12 "A New Pond!" #2 Reflection

3rd Place

Emma Boucher age 12 "Muffin"

Open Class #1 In Summer (Split Class)

Best of Class

Stefanie Stuckey "Line Up Minions"

1st Place

Karina Sellars "Scabba's Beauty"

Kristin Taylor "Gray Mare Gray Sky"

Julia Boudreau "Summertime Vibes"

Sheila Howard "Reece"

2nd Place

Ashley Brooks "Watching the Waves"

Samantha Gauthier "Haizyl"

Gayle Strickland "July 4th"

Anna Rehm "Mouse at the Pond"

3rd Place

Kelly Alley "Leap!"

Colleen Colletti "I See You"

Jennifer Jaquish "All Saddled Up!"

Jill Waters "Tula Star Gazing at Belfair"

4th Place

Cari Cusinato "Best Pony Pillow"

Susan Borders "Diving for the Frisbee!"

Kerry Boucher "Don't Mind Me Just Watching"

Contessa Maltagliati "8.52 PM"

5th Place

Tammy Orndorff "Yummy Clover"

Nicole Gagne "Untitled I"

Jennifer Triumph "Spring Grass"

Callie Medina "Lily Girl"

6th Place

Jess Watts "Early Summer Work Out"

Janina Wolling "Summer is for Silly Faces"

Sarah Warren "In Summer we Have Hose Play"

Open Class #2 Reflection (Split Class)

Best of Class

Elizabeth Turner "My Whole World in my Hand"

1st Place

Janina Wolling "Happy Dog, Sleepy Dog"

Sarah Warren "Bass Harbor"

2nd Place

Colleen Colletti "Dog's Life"

Julia Boudreau "On The Lake"

3rd Place

Jenny Norman "Louis"

Susan Borders "Shimmering Skies"

4th Place

Claudia Powell "Sea-Horse"

Jennifer Triumph "Reflections on a Test"

5th Place

Linda McGuinness "Walking on the Beach"

Samantha Gauthier "Untitled I"

6th Place

Margaret VanderVeer "Knock, knock, got any food there?"

Open Class #3 Through the Ears (Split Class)

Best of Class

Colleen Colletti "Morning Stroll"

1st Place

Cerissa Black "Riding Through St. Charles Ave"

Kristin Taylor "The Homestead"

Ellen Monds "Fundraiser Ride"

Susan Laird "Rush Creek Trail Ride"

2nd Place

Lauren Sobel "Riding on the beach. Long Island NY"

Jennifer Jaquish "The First Tracks"

Samantha Gauthier "Enjoy the View"

Contessa Maltagliati "Marine Meeting"

3rd Place

Haley Persichetti "Standardbred Sunset"

Susan Borders "Which Way?"

Kerry Boucher "Summer Fun with Mum"

4th Place

Lynn Witmer "Dinner Preparation"

Bethany Goforth "Spring Ride!"

Jennifer Triumph "Do I Fit?"

5th Place

Nicole Gagne "Untitled II"

Julia Boudreau "Into The Arena"

Anna Rehm "On the Trails"

6th Place

Kelly Alley "Success with Snacks"

Elizabeth Turner "Bareback and Loving it!"

Open Class #4 Most Artistic (Split Class)

Best of Class

Jennifer Triumph "Rider's Level"

1st Place

Kristin Taylor "End of Ride Sunset"

Cari Cusinato "Buzzy Pollinating"

Bethany Goforth "Elijah's Willow"

Lauren Sobel "Beauty After a Storm"

2nd Place


Kelly Alley "Controlled Chaos"

Sarah Warren "Dappled Dapples"
Jennele Murphy "Waiting"
Claudia Powell "Belle and Philippe"

3rd Place

Stefanie Stuckey "Flower Bo"
Susan Borders "It's Simply Black and White"
Kerry Boucher "Watching Me, Watching You"
Samantha Gauthier "Sunset"

4th Place

Jess Watts "Somewhere Over the Rainbow 
Jenny Norman "My Ray of Sunshine"
Nicole Gagne "Untitled IV"
Colleen Colletti "Just Having a Small Afternoon Snack"

5th Place

Linda McGuinness "Soft Landing"
Julia Boudreau "Charlotte's Web"
Sheila Howard "My Miss Hollywood"
Gayle Strickland "Mystic"

6th Place

Jill Waters "Monarch Majesty"
Stacey Herron "Angelic"
Ashley Brooks "Tractor Life"
Elizabeth Turner "Let's get Shilohdelic!"

Open Class #5 Beautiful Babies! (Split Class)

Best of Class

Kathryn Caldwell "Eye See You"

1st Place

Jess Watts "Sunrise over the little Prince"

Stacey Herron "Goat Love"

Claudia Powell "Justa Cruzin'"

Colleen Colletti "Naptime II"

2nd Place

Cari Cusinato "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Nicole Gagne "Morning Surprise"

Susan Borders "Her First Summer"

Sheila Howard "Baby Sage"

3rd Place

Jill Waters "Lily"

Linda McGuinness "Muscovy Ducklings"

Stefanie Stuckey "River Dreams"

Ashley Brooks "Group Meeting"

4th Place

Julia Boudreau "Cow With Calves"

Elizabeth Turner "Our Babies"

Samantha Gauthier "Dobie Baby"

5th Place

Karina Sellars "Chewie is Majestic"

Janina Wolling "Baby Duckling"
Lauren Sobel "Baby Moo"

6th Place

Cerissa Black "Promise's Pose"
Anna Rehm "Snack Time"
Susan Laird "Baby Stormin Norman"

Open Class #6 Panning

1st Place

Sarah Warren "Feisty Girl II"

2nd Place

Samantha Gauthier "Warm it Up"

3rd Place

Julia Boudreau "In Flight"

Open Class #7 Farm Friends (Split Class)

Best of Class

Jill Waters "Daisy Mae"

1st Place

Julia Boudreau "Blue"

Colleen Colletti "Stretch"
Elizabeth Turner "Beautiful Ella, my Sister's Goat"
Ashley Brooks "Eat More Chicken"

2nd Place

Kristin Taylor "Farmwork is Exhausting"
Lauren Sobel "Cutest Nose in the World"
Claudia Powell "I'm a Little Teapot"

3rd Place

Linda McGuinness "End of the Day"
Cari Cusinato "Na Na Boo Boo"
Stefanie Stuckey "Farmer Snuggles"

4th Place

Sarah Warren "Charmin"
Susan Laird "Best Buddies"
Ellen Monds "Harper & Abner"

5th Place

Janina Wolling "Handsome from all Angles"
Samantha Gauthier "Lets be Twins"
Jennifer Jaquish "Mr. Blue Eyes"

6th Place

Haley Persichetti "Feathers"
Tammy Orndorff "Cornbread"
Nicole Gagne "Untitled VI"
Sheila Howard "Donkey-Donk"

#8 Best Friends (Split Class)

Best of Class

Jenny Norman "Such A Funny Pair"

1st Place

Jill Waters "Forever Love"

Cari Cusinato "Thank You Radar"

Sheila Howard "Besties"

Contessa Maltagliati "Besties Bruno & Big Bubba Joe"

Lauren Sobel "A Girl and her Pony"

2nd Place

Karina Sellars "Loki's Bestfriend"

Tammy Orndorff "A Man and his Horse"

Jennele Murphy "Barn Hair Don't Care"

Colleen Colletti "Kisses"

Stefanie Stuckey "Milk Bone Dreaming"

3rd Place

Linda McGuinness "Puppy Love"

Susan Borders "You dropped it! You get it!"

Kerry Boucher "That's The Spot"

Kristin Taylor "Hello Friend!"

Bethany Goforth "Best Friends"

4th Place

Rhonda Yerbich "Royal Besties"
Julia Boudreau "Family Matters"
Jennifer Triumph "Spring Quackers"

5th Place

Stacey Herron "Serenity"
Nicole Gagne "Best Friends"
Anna Rehm "My Mane Man"
Gayle Strickland "Sweetness"
Elizabeth Turner "Rocky and Shiloh - the Epitome of a Bonded
Pair"

6th Place

Margaret VanderVeer "Four Legged Friends and Two"
Samantha Gauthier "Besties"
Jennifer Jaquish "A Boy and his Horse"
Susan Laird "Max and Lilly"

Open Class #9 Summer Blooms (Split Class)

Best of Class

Julia Boudreau "Summer Flower"

1st Place

Jill Waters "Spring Phlox"
Kristin Taylor "Rainbow"
Leslie Wasserman "Baby on Board in the Blooms"
Jennele Murphy "Purple Passio"

2nd Place

Bethany Goforth "Hollyhocks A Plenty"
Samantha Gauthier "Smell the Flowers"
Elizabeth Turner "Pink Roses for Mom"
Jennifer Triumph "Summer Snoozes"

3rd Place

Cari Cusinato "Daisy Fairy River"
Nicole Gagne "Little Bee Collecting Pollen"
Janina Wolling "Milkweed with an Insect"
Contessa Maltagliati "The Way Home"

4th Place

Kathryn Caldwell "Pretty Purple Pansy"
Susan Borders "Cactus Flower"
Sarah Warren "Monarch on Sunflower"
Colleen Colletti "In Bloom"

5th Place

Tammy Orndorff "Peach Blossoms"
Jenny Norman "I Love Dew Too"
Sheila Howard "Backroad Beauty"
Gayle Strickland "Celebrating the Kentucky Derby and Spring"

6th Place

Karina Sellars "Nashvilles Flowers"
Ashley Brooks "Watching the Flowers"
Kerry Boucher "Painted Prairie"

Best in Show

Colleen Colletti "Run Free"
Prize-\$30.00 Amazon gift card



The panning of a horse on the run is particularly pleasing to catch the action of movement of the horse while blurring the background using a slower shutter speed and ISO. The background is blurred yet the horse remains sharp which accentuates the feeling of movement so the viewer feels close. Panning creates movement and allows the viewer's eye to follow the horse as the background melts away. When using a camera you will need to rotate your camera and keep the subject focused to create this effect. There are also fun photography apps that will create a panning illusion too! The colors, light, clarity, and

movement are all well done and the photographer did a lovely job creating a unified painterly look!

Reserve Best in Show

Lauren Sobel "Smokey and Flowers"

Prize-\$25.00 Amazon Gift Card



A lovely composition of both flowers and equine grazing in the blooms! I have seen blooms like this in Wyoming in Yellowstone National Park -Indian Paintbrush and thought how neat it would be to graze among such pretty blooms. The blooms are reaching for the sun and the horse is reaching for the earth ...both to be

nourished in their own way. The photographer did an amazing job using lighting, space, and color!

Honorable Mention

Claudia Powell "Sunrise Daydreams"

Prize-\$20.00 Amazon Gift Card



Through the ears is difficult to pull off but this one does a nice job to bring the viewer into the shot with the narrow isthmus of a sandbar that leads into a rising sun. We don't know how far the sandbar goes ...maybe all the way to the horizon. The horse's ears point forward to the birds or maybe wondering how far this trail will take us? The photographer did an excellent job using light, color, space, and contrast.

People's Choice Award

Elizabeth Turner "Shiloh My Love"

Prize- \$15.00 Amazon Gift Card

