

2026 Photography Show

Location & Registration

Location: **Grove City Hall, Lower Level**
4035 Broadway
Grove City, OH 43123

Registration:
September 16 & 17
5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Entry Fee: **Advanced:** \$20/photograph entry, or 4 entries for \$60
Emerging or Mobile: \$15/photograph entry, or 4 entries for \$45

Categories **Advanced:** Professional photographer or serious hobbyists
Emerging: Student photographers, beginners, hobbyists, etc.
Mobile: Photograph must have been taken with a mobile device (i.e., cell phone, tablet, etc.) and is open to both Advanced and Emerging Photographers.
Helena McComb Award: A \$500 award, awarded by the McComb family in memory of one of the Arts in the Alley co-founders, will be presented in addition to other awards in any category of the Arts in the Alley shows. From the Photography show, one entry featuring flowers will be nominated by the Photography judges. The final decision for the Helena McComb Floral Award will be made on Sunday by the McComb family.

Judging

Judging will take place on Friday, September 18. Experienced professionals will evaluate entries on art forms, considering creativity, composition, difficulty, and originality. The names of this year's judges will be available at registration.

Pick Up: Entries must remain on display until 5 PM on Sunday, Sept 20. Pickup instructions will be provided at registration. For questions about the Photography Show, email events@gcchamber.org or call (614) 875-9762

- Rules:**
- **Limit of 4 entries** for one photographer.
 - **Size restriction:** Frame must not exceed 16" x 20". Panoramic images must not exceed 12" x 24".
 - All entries must be framed, securely wired and ready to hang with an S-hook for display for the duration of the Arts in the Alley Festival.
 - All content entries must have been taken within the past 5 years and must be first-time entries into the Arts in the Alley Photography Show.
 - Subject matter must be family friendly. Suggestions for subject matter include: sports, landscape, sunset, flowers, animals, people/portraits, etc.
 - Arts in the Alley event staff reserves the right and authority to decline entries.
 - Entries are limited to "Photography." Photography is the process of capturing images that begin with a camera. Minor image editing is permitted such as, cropping, dust, noise, and scratch removal, minor color and tone adjustments, white balance adjustments, exposure and contrast adjustments. Significant alterations that change the original scene are prohibited. AI generated or influenced artwork is not accepted.
 - **Questions?** events@gcchamber.org or (614) 875-9762 option 3

Awards

Best of Show

\$200

Advanced

1st Place — \$150

2nd Place — \$100

3rd Place — \$50

Honorable Mention — Ribbon

Emerging

1st Place — \$100

2nd Place — \$75

3rd Place — \$25

Honorable Mention — Ribbon

Mobile Phone

1st Place — \$75

2nd Place — \$50

3rd Place — \$25

Honorable Mention — Ribbon

People's Choice

\$100

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Artist Name _____

Full Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

How did you hear about the Arts in the Alley Photography Show?

Registration number listed and one category circles for each entry:

Advanced

A #25 - _____

A #25 - _____

A #25 - _____

Emerging

E #25 - _____

E #25 - _____

E #25 - _____

Mobile Phone

M #25 - _____

M #25 - _____

M #25 - _____

Cash/Check Total: _____

(checks are made payable to: GCACC (Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce))

I hereby state that the Artwork submitted is my original composition and has not been submitted into any previous Arts in the Alley Photography Shows.

- I understand that Show Personnel will take reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of the Artwork, and that the Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce, the City of Grove City, and the Arts in the Alley Committee and Sponsors will be held harmless in the event of any loss or damage to the Artwork and/or frames entered in this Show.
- I will or I will not (circle one) allow my piece to be escorted by Show Personnel for judging outside Council Chambers if nominated for the Helena McComb Floral Award. Winning Artwork will be presented at the Awards Ceremony and all entries will be returned to their respective shows.
- I am aware that my Claim Check(s) is required for retrieving Artwork from 5 pm to 6 pm on Sunday at the close of Arts in the Alley. Unclaimed Artwork will be stored at the Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce, following Arts in the Alley. Artwork not retrieved within 60 days of the close of Arts in the Alley becomes the property of the Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Designated person to present claim check(s) for artwork pickup: _____