

NEWS RELEASE

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Put Your Photography Skills to the Test in the Our RDN - Photo Contest

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) invites photographers of all ages and abilities to enter the Our RDN - Photo Contest. Residents and visitors alike can submit their best shots until November 24, 2024, for a chance to win a prize. The contest will showcase the best of the RDN and is an opportunity to explore new areas, to share the places we love most and to put a spotlight on the activities we are doing in the region to make it an even better place to live.

There are four photo categories to enter:

- Enjoying Our Great Outdoors We have amazing natural wonders and waterways, parks, trails and
 more to enjoy. Show us how you like to get off the beaten track whether cycling, hiking, sailing,
 walking, running, swimming, kayaking, paddle boarding, wind surfing, canoeing, rock climbing etc.
- **Going Green** How are you going green, at home or in your daily life? It could be riding your bike or the bus, recycling or composting, conserving water, or practicing sustainable and innovative practices such as xeriscaping, rain harvesting and solar panels.
- Your RDN Show us your RDN! We're looking for photos of RDN facilities, parks, trails, services (e.g. transit, curbside waste collection, recreation, water etc.) and more.
- Your Region Youth Category We want to receive images from youth, under 19 years of age. Show us what you love and enjoy about living in the region.

The top photo in each category will earn the winning photographer a gift card to a local business. There will also be a draw prize for all contest entrants and a People's Choice prize. The public can vote for their favourite photos until December 1, 2024, and the one with the most votes will be declared People's Choice.

The sky is the limit when it comes to subject matter, but all photos submitted must be taken within the RDN's physical boundaries to be eligible to win. Participants can check the location of their photos within the RDN using our <u>online map tool</u>. The contest closes November 24, 2024. For more information and to submit your photos, visit <u>getinvolved.rdn.ca/photo-contest-2024</u>.

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