

NEWS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release: Albany Photography Contest Winners Announced



The Albany Visitors Association (AVA) is excited to announce winners of our 14th Annual Photography Contest. The purpose of this contest is to find images suitable for use in the marketing materials for Albany and the surrounding area. The contest is open to photographers of all skill levels and this year 18 talented photographers entered 172 beautiful and creative photos.

Prizes this year included certificates and gift cards for: Champion, Reserve Champion, Staff Choice, and People's Choice. All 1st Place winners received a certificate for 15 Downtown dollars from the Albany downtown Association and the Student winner received a Splatter Box gift certificate. This year the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners were also presented with gift cards to the Pix Theatre.

All photos in this year's photo contest can be viewed on the Albany Visitors Association YouTube and Flickr page: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/90531885@N07/>, and on the Pix Theatre screen prior to the feature film through June.

The overall winners of the 14th Annual Albany Visitors Association Photography Contest are:

- **Champion**, Camron Settlemier, "Victorian Splendor"
- **Reserve Champion**, Melinda Martin, "Life on 2nd Ave."
- **People's Choice**, Jill Weissbeck, "Sunrise at LBCC"

Culinary:

1st Place, Dan Bateman, "Decadent Temptations"
2nd Place, Camron Settlemier, "A Pack of Peppers"
3rd Place, Cathy Webb, "Saturday Market Treats"

Events:

1st Place, Cathy Webb, "Lift Off Kiss"
2nd Place, Camron Settlemier, "Porch Parade Passes"
3rd Place, Cathy Webb, "Pond Splash"

Historic Albany:

1st Place, Shannon Cruz, "Railroad Bridge"
2nd Place, Melinda Martin, "Cumberland"
3rd Place, Melinda Martin, "Historic Home"

Landmarks:

1st Place, Stephanie Low, "Welcome to Albany"
2nd Place, Lori Norton, "Christmas Carousel"
3rd Place, Shannon Cruz, "Ellsworth Bridge"

Life in the Community:

1st Place, Dan Bateman, "Cleared for Takeoff"
2nd Place, Camron Settlemier, "Cedar Waxwing Takes on Photinia Berry"
3rd Place, David Maestas, "Wheat in the Raw"

People:

1st Place, Lori Norton, "Carousel Fun with GG"
2nd Place, Lori Norton, "Contemplating the Popcorn"
3rd Place, Jolene Thomson, Untitled

Scenic:

1st Place, Lori Norton, "Cloudy Winter Afternoon"
2nd Place, David Maestas, "Santiam at Rest"
3rd Place, Dan Bateman, "Northern Pintail"

Student:

1st Place, Erin Thomson, "Hackleman District"

Congratulations to all the winners of the 2021 Albany Visitors Association Photography Contest and thank you to all who entered. For information on entering the 2022 contest, please contact Amy Felmley at the Albany Visitors Association: info@albanyvisitors.com or 541-928-0911.

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