




KeyBank Choice Awards

KeyBank  **FOCUS 2012** is proud to be associated with its presenting sponsor, KeyBank. As an outreach opportunity, **FOCUS 2012** judges will choose winning photos to be included in the Key Choice Exhibitions at local branches of KeyBank from April 20 - May 25. Winners of the KeyBank Choice Awards will be notified at the **FOCUS 2012** Opening Reception on Friday, April 13 at Solon Community Center.

PHOTOGRAPHY FOR SALE!

Photographers will be encouraged to offer their work for sale. Should you agree, on the Entry Form there is a place to indicate the price of each piece. If a price is not listed, the photo will not be for sale.

If a photo sells at the **FOCUS 2012** Opening Reception on Friday, April 13 at Solon Community Center, the agreement will be that 70% will go to the artist and 30% will go to the general fund for **FOCUS 2013**. Checks will be made payable to Friends of Solon Center for the Arts and FSCA will pay the artist.

If a photo sells at the Host Gallery Exhibition, 70% will go to the artist and 30% will go to the representing Host Gallery. Checks will be made payable to the Host Gallery and the Host gallery will pay the artist.

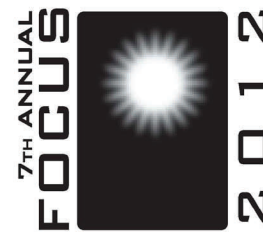
Solon Center for the Arts, City of Solon, Friends of Solon Center for the Arts and The Beck Center for the Arts, and all other participating organizations from Aurora, Streetsboro and Twinsburg, will not be responsible for any loss or damage of entries. Any exhibitor will bear their own risk of damage or loss of any item entered. Therefore, it is recommended that each artist maintain their own insurance on any entry. It is incumbent upon the photographer, not the exhibitor, to gain permission from the subject to exhibit and/or use the image.

Names of the winners from each category may be published in a 2012 catalogue of classes from each Community/Art Center. Entries may also be reproduced in a catalogue from each participating community. FOCUS 2012 Host Galleries and Partners reserve the right to use photos for promotional purposes without further compensation to the artist.



SOLON CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Art • Music • Theater • Dance

6315 SOM Center Road Solon, Ohio 44139



Photography Competition

A Photography Competition Bringing Communities Together Through Art



Presented by



Hosted by

Solon Center for the Arts
The Beck Center for the Arts

Together With

Aurora Parks and Recreation
Streetsboro Parks and Recreation
Twinsburg Parks and Recreation

Opening Ceremony

Friday, April 13, 2012
Solon Community Center
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

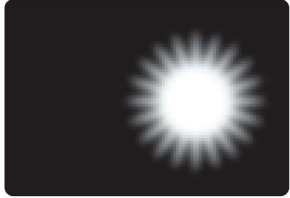
Host Gallery Exhibitions

The Beck Center for the Arts
May 4 - May 31
and
Solon Center for the Arts
April 16 - May 25

Competition limited to first 400 photos! Register early!

Calling all photographers!

7TH ANNUAL
FOCUS



2012

A Photography Competition Bringing
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Unlock your possibilities

Enter **FOCUS 2012** and become a part of an exciting collaboration of several communities. Only Amateur photographers (adults and students) are eligible. This competition is juried with awards in each category including 'Best of Show'. The Opening Exhibition Celebration will be held on Friday, April 13 at Solon Community Center from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

HOSTED BY:

Solon Center for the Arts **The Beck Center for the Arts**
solonarts.org beckcenter.org
440.337.1400 216.521.2540

TOGETHER WITH:

Aurora Parks & Recreation **Twinsburg Parks & Recreation**
auroraoh.com twinsburgrecreation.com
330.562.4333 330.963.8722

Streetsboro Parks & Recreation
cityofstreetsboro.com
330.626.3802

CLASSIFICATIONS

Amateurs Only
Adult: Age 19 and older Student: Age 18 and younger

CATEGORIES

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| A) People/Portraits | D) Animals |
| B) Architecture/Cityscape | E) Botanical |
| C) Nature/Landscape | F) Macro |

ENTRY RULES

The FOCUS 2012 Committee reserves the right to decline or limit the number of entries if any of the following criteria is not met and/or the content is deemed inappropriate.

- A maximum of two entries will be accepted per photographer.
- There is a non-refundable entry fee of \$10.00 per piece.
- All photos must be on photographic paper. No canvas or transparencies.
- All photographs must have a label on the back of the frame that indicates the artist's name, city, phone number, title, category and classification.
- **Photos must be framed, matted, wired and ready to hang. Photos without a fixed and secure wire will not be accepted.**
- Finished frame size minimum is 5" x 7" with a maximum of 30" x 30". *Framing and matting are taken into consideration during judging. Presentation of the photo is as important as the photographic content itself
- Photographs must be entrant's own work and not entered in a previous **FOCUS** show.
- **No Entry Forms/Fees will be accepted on Drop Off Day.**


AWARDS

13 POSSIBLE AWARDS

Best of Show photo and individual category winners are not eligible for other awards.

\$300.00 **Best in Show**
\$100.00 each **Best in Category**
• Adult (A, B, C, D, E, & F)
• Student (A, B, C, D, E, & F)

Entries to be exhibited at the Host Galleries will be selected on Wednesday, April 11 and announced at the Friday, April 13 reception at Solon Community Center. Cash prizes will be handed out at the Host Gallery Award Presentations/Receptions (see Important Dates).

KeyBank  Additional winners will be selected to be displayed at a local KeyBank branch. See reverse side for more information.
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IMPORTANT DATES

Entry Deadline: Saturday, March 17 by 2:00 pm
All entries must be pre-registered and pre-paid at Solon Center for the Arts.

Drop Off: Wednesday, April 11 (9:00 am - 6:00 pm)
All submissions must be dropped off at Solon Community Center 35000 Portz Parkway, Solon, Ohio 44139. *No entry forms or fees will be accepted on drop-off day.

Opening Exhibition (all entrants): Friday, April 13 (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
All registered photographs will be included in the **FOCUS 2012** Opening Exhibition at Solon Community Center. Photos not chosen to move on to the Host Gallery Exhibitions must be picked up at the end of the reception. **Non-exhibiting artists must not remove artwork prior to 7:55 pm.**

Host Gallery Exhibitions (select entrants):
Photos chosen by the judges will be exhibited at:
• **The Beck Center for the Arts: May 4 - May 31**
and
• **Solon Center for the Arts: April 16 - May 25**

Host Gallery Awards Presentations/Receptions (select entrants):
All Photos must be picked up from the host gallery at the close of the reception. Cash prizes will be awarded at these receptions.

- **The Beck Center for the Arts: Thurs., May 31 (6:00 pm - 7:30 pm)**
17801 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio 44107
- **Solon Center for the Arts: Friday, May 25 (6:00 pm - 7:30 pm)**
6315 SOM Center Road, Solon, Ohio 44139

REGISTRATION

Registration forms and payments can be **dropped off, mailed or faxed to:**

Friends of Solon Center for the Arts
6315 SOM Center Road
Solon, Ohio 44139
440.337.1400 (Phone)
440.337.1404 (Fax)

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

*Application forms can also be found online at www.solonarts.org

Competition limited to first 400 photos. Register early!

FOCUS 2012 Entry Form

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____
Email _____
Number of Entries x \$10.00 per Entry: \$ _____

Bill my: Visa MasterCard Discover AmEx
Card No. _____
Expiration Date _____ Amount \$ _____
Signature _____
Check #: _____

Payable to **Friends of Solon Center for the Arts**

Classification	
_____ Adult	_____ Student
Category (A-F) _____	Sale Price** \$ _____
Title* _____	
Category (A-F) _____	Sale Price** \$ _____
Title* _____	
*Titles will be printed as listed.	
<u>No changes will be accepted. Please Print!</u>	
**If a price is not listed, the photo will not be for sale.	
I certify that I am the photographer of the above images.	
Signature: _____	
Date: _____	

Drop off or Mail to:
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Solon, Ohio 44139
Fax to: 440.337.1404

For more information call Solon Center for the Arts at 440.337.1400
- DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MARCH 17, 2012-