



# Photography Scholarship Contest Rules

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The NPG Scholarship Committee will select multiple winning photographs. Photographs will be judged based on originality, relevance to topic, and evidence of critical thinking. All decisions are within the discretion of NPG Scholarship judges and all decisions are final. All scholarships will be paid directly to the accredited college or university account of the winning student(s). Official Contest information is available on our website ([www.NPG.org](http://www.NPG.org)).

### Official Contest Rules and Eligibility Requirements:

1. **Entries must be received by April 7, 2017. Those received after the deadline will NOT be accepted. Winners will be announced online at [www.NPG.org](http://www.NPG.org) by June 9, 2017.**
2. **Entries must be submitted via email to [NPGPhotoScholarship@gmail.com](mailto:NPGPhotoScholarship@gmail.com). No mail, fax, or other submissions will be accepted.**
3. **Follow submission instructions carefully to ensure your entry is accepted for consideration. Partial submissions, submissions that do not meet specified criteria, and submissions that do not include all material (photo, description, Application and Release Form) in one email will NOT be accepted.**
4. Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident.
5. Applicant must be a senior in high school or a college freshman, sophomore, or junior enrolled in an official undergraduate program of study for the Fall 2017 semester. Applicant must be 14 years old or older.
6. Applicant must be currently attending an accredited school within the United States, or operated overseas by the U.S. government, for the Fall 2017 semester.
7. To be considered, each entry must be complete and include the entrant's name, address, email, and telephone number. **(Full criteria and submission instructions available at [www.NPG.org](http://www.NPG.org).)**
8. No purchase or contribution is required for entry. Neither membership in nor contributions to NPG will enhance the chances of winning.
9. Photograph(s) must be the original work of applicant. Photograph(s) must be submitted in JPG or PDF file format, file size of 1MB to 2MB, in high resolution (250 to 300 dpi).
10. Applicant must sign and date the Application Form and Release Form. (A parent or guardian signature is also required for all applicants under 18.)
11. All submissions are subject to the NPG Privacy Policy ([www.NPG.org/npg-contest-privacy-policy.html](http://www.NPG.org/npg-contest-privacy-policy.html)).
12. Relatives of employees or directors of NPG are not eligible.
13. Not valid where prohibited.
14. One completed submission per photo being entered for consideration. (See full submission instructions online.)
15. Please email your questions to [npg@npg.org](mailto:npg@npg.org).

### **NPG Official Contest Submission Instructions:**

1. Contestants may submit more than one photo for consideration. For each photo, submit a completed entry following the instructions below. (Note: for each photo submitted, a unique 40-50 word description is required.)
2. To be considered, each submission must include within one email:
  - a. Your name, address, telephone number, and email (type within body of email);
  - b. Your photo (attachment, meeting specified file size and format);
  - c. Your original 40-50 word description (type within body of email);
  - d. Your completed and signed copy of the Application Form (attachment, see instructions below);
  - e. Your completed and signed copy of the Release Form (attachment, see instructions below).
3. NPG will ONLY accept submissions in the following formats:
  - a. **Option 1.** Download and print the PDF which includes the Application & Release Forms, complete all fields, and sign (as well as parent/guardian signature is also required for students under 18). Scan completed Application and Release Forms and save (as PDF or JPG file). Email in **one email** your Application Form, Release Form, and photo, along with your contact information (name, address, telephone number, and email) and your 40-50 word description within the body of the email to NPGPhotoScholarship@gmail.com.
  - b. **Option 2.** On our website (www.NPG.org) open the PDF which includes the Application & Release Forms, fill out all fields, and digitally sign (as well as parent/guardian signature for students under 18). Save the completed PDF file on your desktop. Email in **one email** your Application Form, Release Form, and photo, along with your contact information (name, address, telephone number, and email) and your 40-50 word description within the body of the email to NPGPhotoScholarship@gmail.com.
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*NPG is a national non-profit membership organization headquartered in Alexandria, VA. Since 1972, our primary purpose has been to educate the American public and elected officials regarding the damaging effects of overpopulation on our environment, resources, and quality of life.*

**For more information, visit us online at [www.NPG.org](http://www.NPG.org).**

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## Photography Scholarship Contest Application

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (cell): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current School Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Where will you be attending school in the Fall of 2017\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Fall 2017 School Website: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*All winners must provide evidence of enrollment/acceptance for the Fall 2017 term prior to payment of scholarship to the school. If you have not yet decided which school you will attend, please write "Undecided."*

Projected year of college graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this scholarship contest? \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the rules of the NPG Photography Scholarship Contest (available at [www.NPG.org](http://www.NPG.org)) and hereby agree to them. I understand NPG is not responsible for late or lost submissions. Entries will not be returned, and all submissions become the sole property of NPG. All decisions are within the discretion of the NPG Scholarship judges and all decisions are final. Applicants grant NPG full rights to use his/her name, and photograph for promotional or other purposes. All applicants agree that the submission is original, entirely his/her own work, and not offered for publication elsewhere.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under age 18): \_\_\_\_\_

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**PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST PROJECT RELEASE**

*NOTE: This document gives NPG complete ownership of all materials submitted by you to the Photography Contest, and allows NPG to use those materials, any photo or identification of you, and your photograph(s) for any purpose related to the Photography Contest or NPG's other program activities.*

This is a complete release and authorization for use of my product(s) submitted to the Photography Contest (including my photographs and any related materials, name and identification, appearance and any related services). For good and valuable consideration, including publicity and eligibility for a contest prize, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, (Student's name): \_\_\_\_\_, hereby irrevocably grant to Negative Population Growth, Inc. ("NPG") all services and appearances rendered by me, and all ideas and materials provided by me, in connection with the development, production and/or exploitation of print, graphic, audio and/or visual or other content, projects, productions, campaigns and/or programs relating to the project known as NPG Photography Contest ("Project"). My product and services are a "work-for-hire."

I hereby irrevocably give and grant to NPG all rights and proceeds of every kind and character whatsoever in all media and languages throughout the world, in perpetuity, in and to all work done, and all appearances of my name, likeness, image, and to all of the results and proceeds of my product, for all commercial and non-commercial purposes (including, but not limited to, merchandising, advertising, and promotion purposes) related to the Project. I further irrevocably give and grant to NPG the right to adapt, change, edit, modify, add to, delete, combine with other materials, record, reproduce, distribute and otherwise exploit the same by any means now known or hereafter devised. NPG may freely assign or transfer its rights hereunder, in whole or in part.

I hereby irrevocably agree that I will not assert nor maintain against NPG, its licensees, successors or assigns, or any persons related to them, any claim, action, suit or demand of any kind or nature, such as invasion of privacy or of publicity or any other rights (including, without limitation, intellectual property rights), defamation, libel or slander in connection with the exercise of the rights granted herein. I realize that NPG is relying upon this Release in the making of the Project and, accordingly, I hereby irrevocably waive any and all rights to seek or obtain any injunctive or other equitable relief related to the Project.

No compensation for such use will be paid hereunder beyond any contest prize or similar award already designated.

I have read, understand, and agree to this Project Release.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF A PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE WORKS ON OR APPEARS IN THE PROJECT, THE FOLLOWING MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.**

I am the father, mother or duly appointed guardian of the above noted child with full parental rights and authority, and I have read the Project Release that my child has signed. I hereby consent to, join in and approve that agreement.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Person: \_\_\_\_\_