Photo Contest Categories

1. **Best Portrait of a Man**
2. **Best Portrait of a Woman**
3. **Best Portrait of a Baby** (age up to 2 years)
4. **Best Portrait of a Child** (age 2 to 12 years)
5. **Best Portrait of Children**
6. **Best Portrait of Two Persons**
7. **Best Group Portrait—** 4 to 9 people
8. **Best Group Portrait—**10 or more people
9. **Most Humorous Portrait**
10. **Best Victorian Themed Portrait** (2 or more people)
11. **Best Western Themed Portrait** (2 or more people)
12. **Best Civil War Themed Portrait** (2 or more people)
13. **Best '20s Era Portrait** (2 or more people)
14. **Best Wedding Portrait** (An Old Time photo of 2 or more people)
15. **Best Boudoir Portrait** (1 woman)
16. **Best Pirate Themed Portrait**
17. **Best Steam Punk Themed Portrait –** Steam Punk is a sub-genre of science fiction that typically features steam-powered machinery, especially in a setting inspired by industrialized Western civilization during the 19th century. Therefore, steam punk workers are often set in an alternate history of the 19th century's British Victorian era or American "Wild West", in a post-apocalyptic future during which steam power has regained mainstream use, or in a fantasy world that similarly employs steam power. Steam Punk is not allowed in categories 11 – 16 and 18 – 19.
18. **Best Portrait of Any Other Era** (Examples include Pilgrims, Renaissance, Canadian Mounties, Old Time Baseball, WWII and 1950s. May not include: Victorian, Western, Native American, Civil War, '20s, Pirate or Steam Punk.)
19. **Best Native American Themed Portrait**
20. **Best Portrait of a Senior Citizen** (One or more people, all must be 60 years or older)
21. **Most Creative Portrait—Not Digitally Enhanced** (Photo should show creative posing, set-up, lighting and/or special photographic effects without the use of Adobe Photoshop® or other digital enhancement.)
22. **Most Creative Portrait—Digitally Enhanced** (Any and all digital enhancements welcome! Chromakey portraits, creative use of color enhancement, digital or Adobe Photoshop® effects.
23. **Best Chromakey Portrait** (Old Time Portraits only, please. Dropout must be done with a Chromakey software and not Photoshop. Photos taken using Chromakey are allowed in any category except for Category No. 21.)
24. **Best Matched Use of a Portrait and Poster Mat** (Must be a separate card stock poster mat and not digitally enhanced. Supply separate poster mat of your choice with portrait. This category and category 30 are the only categories that allow wording on the (separate) mat.)
25. **Digital Poster** (May include digitally created posters, movie posters or an enhanced studio portrait with a digital border. Entire entry to be printed on same sheet of paper, no paper mattes allowed in this category.)
26. **Best Amusement/Entertainment Portrait** (Novelty, fun or entertaining photos sold to the public. Examples include magazine pictures, seasonal holiday photos, events, front gate photos, organized sports, school portraits, weddings, etc. No Old Time Portraits allowed. Supply mat of your choice.)
27. **Best Portrait of a Pet(s) or a Pet(s) with Its Owner(s)**
28. **Best Self Portrait** (Photo of a studio employee/manager/owner using your own pose, lighting, and props.)
29. **Best Portrait of Your Staff** (All subjects within portrait must be studio staff and include the owner or senior management.)
30. **Best Holiday Greeting Card** (This category may include a production greeting card with your portrait in it, or it may be completely custom and of your own creation. Envelopes are not required. There is no limitation on what type of portrait goes in the greeting card as long as it violates no other rule.)