

Hill Country Camera Club

PhotoQuest 2026

Member Information Packet

PhotoQuest is a best-of-work exhibition designed to be simple to enter, fair to judge, and easy for members to understand.

The Process at a Glance

1. Pick your best work	2. Prepare one JPEG per image	3. Name each file correctly	4. Submit digitally	5. Bring framed print to intake
Choose up to three entries.	Image must match the final print.	Follow club naming instructions.	Complete online registration before the deadline.	Deliver ready-to-hang work on intake day.

Who May Enter

Current Hill Country Camera Club members whose dues are paid by March 31, 2026.

Entry Fee

\$25 per member. Payment may be made online by QR code or on check-in day. The fee allows up to three images. Entry fees are non-refundable.

Number of Entries

Only 2-D work will be accepted. Each member may enter up to three images, with a combined total width of no more than 90 inches.

Registration

Registration opens June 1, 2026. The online entry deadline is July 15, 2026. Any changes to registration information must be made before the July 15 deadline. Registration link:

<https://forms.gle/CMDZa8FQF2gMyqwD6>



SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE

Every Entry Must Include

- One digital JPEG for judging and registration.
- One framed print for exhibition display.

Digital File Requirements

- JPEG format
- 3,000 pixels on the long side
- sRGB recommended
- Image must match the final print
- No borders, frames, watermarks, or signatures

Questions

For questions, email photoquest@hillcountrycameraclub.org.

Divisions

TC – Traditional Color: A color photograph presented in a traditional photographic style, without major digital alteration that changes the essential scene.

TM – Traditional Monochrome: A monochrome image presented in a traditional photographic style, without major digital alteration that changes the essential scene.

AC – Augmented Color: A color photograph with significant artistic, compositional, or digital enhancement beyond traditional photographic adjustments.

AM – Augmented Monochrome: A monochrome image with significant artistic, compositional, or digital enhancement beyond traditional photographic adjustments.

Print Preparation, Forms, and Important Dates

Print Presentation Requirements

- Prints must be framed or canvas-wrapped.
- Each piece must have a secure hanging wire.
- Wire ends must be wrapped or taped for safety.
- If the framed size exceeds 16" x 20", plexiglass must be used instead of real glass.
- No sawtooth hangers or plastic wire may be used.
- Canvas wraps must also have secure wires attached to the back.
- Frames must be in top condition and suitable for the photograph.

Eligibility of Previously Exhibited Work

- Photographs entered in events at KACC over the past two years will not be eligible to hang in PhotoQuest 2026.
- Exception: any photograph installed as Hill Country Camera Club's Photo of the Month may be entered in PhotoQuest 2026.

Entry Forms

- A completed Exhibitor Inventory Form is required at check-in.
- Attach one copy to the back of the artwork.
- Submit one copy for the office on Entry Day.
- List either a Frame Price or NFS ("Not for Sale").
- Members are encouraged to include a sale price when possible.

Important Dates

July 1, 2026	Registration opens
July 15, 2026	Entry deadline
July 27, 2026	Print intake date
July 30, 2026	Hanging date
July 30, 2026	Awards Ceremony and Meeting

Member Support

- The Communication Chair will be available to help with image sizing, file naming, and submission questions.
- Members are encouraged to ask for help so technical requirements do not become a barrier to participation.

Final Reminder

- Choose your strongest work, prepare it carefully, and submit on time.
- PhotoQuest is intended to showcase the best work of our members in a clear, consistent, and welcoming way.