

# Baltimore Region Photo Contest



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## Overview

As part of *imagine 2060*, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board and the Baltimore Metropolitan Council are excited to ask residents of the Baltimore region—Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard counties—to pull out their cameras and capture images of what they value about our region.

*Imagine 2060* is an initiative sponsored by the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board and the Baltimore Metropolitan Council. Through *imagine 2060*, residents and organizations throughout the Baltimore region have shared their ideas on the future of transportation in the region. A key focus of *imagine 2060* is to improve accessibility for all and promote livable and sustainable communities throughout the metropolitan area.

We will accept photo entries through Thursday, December 30, 2010 at 12 noon (EST). Submissions to the *imagine 2060* photo contest may be showcased on the BRTB's web site and in our publications (with prior consent for print publications).

There will be one Best-of-Contest winner and runner-up. In addition, there will be one winner and one runner-up in each of the following categories:

- **Transportation** (pedestrians, bikes, bus, cars, boats, trains, planes, etc.)
- **Community** (walkable & vibrant places; neighborhoods, town centers, rural/small towns, people, places, art, culture, food)
- **Natural Environment** (Bay, lakes, rivers, preserves, parks, sky, wildlife)
- **Prosperity** (plazas, port, buildings, retail, employment centers, small businesses, neighborhoods, boulevards, agriculture)

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## Photo Contest Submission Rules and Regulations

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## **Regulations:**

Photographers may enter this contest by submitting up to ten (10) images per theme taken in one of the following jurisdictions: Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard counties.

Each entrant must also submit associated photo entry information ([Microsoft Word](#)) ([PDF](#)). By entering this contest, each entrant gives the BMC permission to use their entry (including photographs), in whole or in part, for any purpose without compensation. Each entrant grants BMC a non-exclusive license to use, reproduce, publish, display, and distribute their entry, in whole or in part, and entrants will retain the right to use entries for their own purposes. This contest begins on Sunday, August 1, 2010 and ends on Thursday, December 30, 2010 ("Contest Period"). Entrants who do not provide all required information will be disqualified.

## **Eligibility:**

This contest is open to all individuals who live in any of the following jurisdictions: Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard counties. Children under 18 years of age must have parental permission to enter. BMC employees, BRTB board members, and members of their immediate families cannot enter.

## **Submission Rules:**

Submissions must be digital format (no special effects, multiple exposures, etc.) and may be either color or black and white. Only a photo's brightness and contrast may be altered. Any photographs determined in BMC's sole discretion to be manipulated in violation of these official rules may be disqualified and not returned. In addition, all photographs must be taken and solely owned by the entrant, and must not infringe upon any rights of any third party including, without limitation, copyright, trademark and right of publicity or privacy. All entries will become the property of BMC and will not be returned.

## **Deadline:**

All submissions must be received at the BMC offices by Thursday, December 30, 2010 at 12 noon, Eastern Daylight Time. No late submissions will be accepted.

## **Judging:**

A panel of judges will select the Best-of-Contest winner and runner-up as well as a winner and runner-up for each theme (10 total). Judges will be selected from among BMC's staff and BRTB officials, local photography experts, partner agencies, and other relevant organizations. All entries will be judged on artistic expression, creativity and originality, the quality of the image, and the relevance to listed BMC themes. All decisions of the judges with respect to all aspects of this contest are final and binding. BMC reserves the right to disqualify entries which do not conform to these official rules or are deemed to be inappropriate. Winners will be contacted by e-mail or phone.

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## **Publication and Display:**

In addition to the rights granted to BMC above, submission of an entry constitutes agreement to allow photographs to be reproduced, published and /or exhibited for promotional purposes by BMC and its affiliated partners. Entrants grant BMC (except where prohibited by law) the right to use and publish their names, likenesses, city and state, biographical data, and/or any information contained in their entry in print and/or other media in connection with this contest, including on the internet, by BMC, its partners, and third party entities, without additional compensation, notice, review, or approval.

## **Subject Release Forms:**

Entrants are responsible for acquiring release forms from identifiable individuals featured in their photographs. The release form for use in connection with this contest is attached below. Failure to submit a release form for identifiable individuals appearing in a photograph will result in the photograph's disqualification (in BMC's sole discretion).

If an entrant elects to electronically submit photos via e-mail and requires a subject release form, the subject release form must be mailed separate to the mailing address cited above.

Subject Release Form: [Microsoft Word Format](#) and [PDF](#)

## **General Agreement:**

Submission of entry to the contest automatically constitutes the contestant's agreement to be bound by these rules and the decisions of BMC and acceptance of all conditions set forth in these official rules. Entries not complying with these official rules will be disqualified at BMC's sole discretion. It is the responsibility of the contestant to ensure that publication of the photographs by BMC raises no legal claims and does not infringe upon the rights of any third party, including, without limitation, copyright, trademark and right of publicity or privacy.

BMC and/or their partners/agents are not responsible and/or liable for any of the following, whether caused by BMC, the entrant, or by human error: any late, lost, damaged, incomplete, illegible, destroyed, misdirected or postage-due entries or mail; miscommunications, misdirected transmissions, or other errors of any kind whether human, mechanical or electronic. BMC reserves the right to cancel, modify, or suspend the contest without notice, including, without limitation, if, for any reason, this contest is not capable of running as planned. By entering, participants agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless BMC, its officers, and its staff, from any and all liability arising from or in connection to this contest, including without limitation, a breach or alleged breach of any of the above representations and warranties.

## **List of Winners:**

BMC will post a list of winners and their winning entry at [www.imagine2060.com](http://www.imagine2060.com) after the conclusion of the photo contest. Winners will also be notified by mail or e-mail.

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## General Submission Guidelines

Entrants may submit photographs either electronically via e-mail or by mail. All photo files must be named in the following format, regardless of submission option. If you are submitting more than one photo, add a number to the end as shown below.

**Format:** Last name\_First name\_Theme\_Number.jpg

**Example:** Burnham\_Daniel\_Community\_Architecture\_1.jpg

### By E-mail:

Entrants are encouraged to submit photographs electronically by e-mail. Entrants can submit up to ten (10) photographs per theme in JPG or TIF format and **each** photo must have all associated information complete (see list below). Electronic entries can be e-mailed to [imagine2060@baltometro.org](mailto:imagine2060@baltometro.org). All electronic photos must be high resolution and actual printing size of between 3 by 5 inches and 8 by 10 inches and must not exceed 5 MB per photo, with no e-mail messages exceeding 10 MB. Photographs determined in BMC's sole discretion to be digital manipulations will be disqualified and not returned.

With your e-mail attachment, please include the following information for each photo:

- Photographer Name
- E-mail
- Phone number
- County of residence
- Photograph Name / Location
- Date of photo
- City / County where photo was taken
- Brief description of the photo and why you value this location

Or you can fill out and submit our Photo Entry Form ([Microsoft Word](#)) or ([PDF](#))

Confirmation e-mails will be sent automatically to all entrants. Please do not contact BMC to find out if your submission was received.

### By Mail:

Enter this contest by mail by sending a CD of photographs to the address below. The photos need to be in JPG or TIF format, high resolution and must not exceed 5MB per photo. The CD must be mailed along with the entry form below. Number the photographs on the CD to correspond to the written/typed information on the entry form.

Photo Entry Form: [Microsoft Word Format](#) and [PDF](#)

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The mailing address is:

Attn: *imagine 2060* Photo Contest  
Baltimore Metropolitan Council  
1500 Whetstone Way, Suite 300  
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## **Prizes & Sponsors**

**Prizes:** Winners of the *imagine 2060* photo contest will be showcased on the *imagine2060* web site and in our publications (with prior consent for print publications). In addition, there will be an awards ceremony in 2011. Winning photos will be framed by BMC and displayed at a location TBA. Additional prizes may also be awarded. As more information becomes available, it will be posted on the web site.

## **Sponsors:**

The *Imagine 2060* Baltimore Region Photo Contest is sponsored by the Baltimore Metropolitan Council and the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board.

The Baltimore Metropolitan Council is the organization of the Baltimore region's elected executives, representing Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard counties. The goal of BMC is to improve the quality of life and economic vitality in the Baltimore region.

The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is the federally recognized Metropolitan Planning Organization for transportation planning in the Baltimore region. Members of the BMC Board serve on the BRTB. In addition, the Mayor of Annapolis and representatives of the Maryland Departments of Transportation, the Environment and Planning also serve on the BRTB. BMC staff provide technical and staff support to the BRTB.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### ***Why should I enter the contest?***

BMC wants to know what you as a resident of the Baltimore region value and would like to see introduced, preserved, or enhanced for the future. This is an opportunity to add your personal input to the *imagine 2060* process. Through your community and civic involvement in the photo contest, your photos will help to provide a context for the future that we as a region would like to work to protect and enhance.

### ***What is the deadline? Can I turn in a late entry?***

All submissions must be received at the BMC offices by BMC offices by Thursday, December 30, 2010 at 12 noon, Eastern Daylight Time. No late submissions will be accepted. (Page 6, FAQ #2)

### ***How will my pictures be used? Will I get recognition for my photos?***

Your entries may be used in *imagine 2060* or *Plan it 2035* materials and other BMC activities both in print and web form. Also, winning photos will be showcased on our web site and highlighted at workshop presentations and in printed material. For any print publications not related to the photography contest, you will be asked permission to use the photo, and in both online and print materials, the photographer will always be credited. For an example of our last Regional Long-range Transportation Plan – *Transportation Outlook 2035* - please visit [www.baltometro.org](http://www.baltometro.org). A summary of *imagine 2060* can be found at [www.imagine2060.com](http://www.imagine2060.com).

### ***Who else will be entering?***

Our goal is to involve residents of the entire region. Ideally, we would like to receive an entry from residents of each jurisdiction in the region. In order to reach this goal, we will advertise the contest throughout the region. This contest is open to amateurs and professionals alike.

### ***Will there be an awards ceremony?***

There will be an awards ceremony in 2011. Winning photos will be framed by BMC and displayed at a location TBA. BMC will be presenting certificates. All entrants will be invited along with friends and family members. As more information becomes available, it will be posted on the web site.