



Invitation and Instructions

Join fellow Club members as we tell our stories with creative minds, eyes, and lenses. The National Press Club's Photography Team is seeking the best photographic images by members for display on large monitors in the main NPC lobby during the month of September 2026 and online.

Theme:

For this year's exhibit, the Photo Team is calling for images reflecting on the theme of *Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness*. As we mark the nation's 250th anniversary, this is an opportunity for members to express their observations, struggles, pride, grief, joy, and dreams for the future.

Please note this is an exhibit, not a contest, with no judging nor prizes. Rules, key dates, and notes for participating in the exhibit are below. For any questions, Contact Alan Kotok: alankotok@gmail.com

Rules:

NPC is seeking your top-quality photographic images, both aesthetically and technically, either in color or black-and-white.

You can enter up to five images in electronic format.

Images must be taken by NPC members and not displayed in previous annual NPC members photography exhibits.

Photos enhanced with artistic elements or combined into collages are allowed.

We are looking for photographic images you consider special, either related to your work or taken on your own. For example: images that capture important moments, people, or events, show colors or perspectives not often found in everyday photos, or display a story you captured at the right place and right time.

We look forward to receiving a wide range of interpretations of the exhibit theme, *Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness* through imagery of all matters of importance to you. But Club members may submit their original photography on any subject other than the theme.

Please note:

By entering this exhibit, you affirm that all photographic images submitted are your original work and property. The National Press Club will not be liable for any violations of copyright, trademark, or other intellectual property laws or regulations.

Also, by submitting an entry you affirm that the images have been executed purposefully by you using a device with a lens and physical or electronic shutter (found on smartphones and tablets). Generative A.I. images do not qualify for entry. The Photography Team may ask for metadata (e.g., Exif) supporting the authenticity of images submitted for the exhibit.

There are no restrictions, within reason, on subject matter, but the Photo Team reserves the right to remove any photo, image, title, or description that might be inappropriate. Photos, images, titles, and descriptions in this display and exhibit catalog do not represent the views of the National Press Club.

Important dates and specifications:

- Please complete an entry form with titles, descriptions, and photos for the exhibit catalog between **July 31 and Aug. 15, 2026**. You can find the entry form at https://technewslit.com/npc/NPC_ExhibitEntryForm.html
- Please enter up to five still photographic images. No screenshots, line art, video, or animation are permitted.
- Image files should be in *.jpg, *.jpeg, or *.png formats.
- Please enter high-quality images, with the larger the size and higher the resolution, in dots per inch, the better.
- Rule of thumb: Aim for a file size of at least 2 megabytes.
- Images in landscape orientation – wider than taller – fill up the display screens better than portrait orientation.

Online exhibit catalog:

The entry form asks for information to display in an online exhibit catalog that describes the photos in the exhibit. The catalog is also your opportunity to share about yourself and the stories behind your images, as well as offer links to galleries, news stories, social media posts, podcasts, or videos about your images.

We look forward to seeing your contributions.

Questions? Contact Photo Team chair Alan Kotok at alankotok@gmail.com.