

Languages and Cultures Photo Contest Rules and Regulations

Summary of Contest:

Step 1: Review contest rules and regulations. A copy of these and contest consent forms (if applicable) are found in the Languages and Cultures Photo Contest site through Western's learning management system **OWL**. Further instructions regarding OWL use and photo submissions are found below.

Step 2: Submit your photo(s). Participants will receive an email notification when the submission has been received. Once the submission deadline has passed, a panel of judges will review and evaluate all entries.

Step 3: Winners will be notified in May 2022 via email. With the winners' consent using the Photo Contest Release Form found on OWL, winners will also be announced via the Department website and Instagram account.

See below for full contest rules and regulations:

Eligibility

Any student currently enrolled in a London, Ontario secondary school, or in undergraduate or graduate studies at Western University. Up to one submission per category per person. By entering the contest, participants declare that the photograph(s) submitted is(are) an original work of their own creation. If the photograph includes people, participants must confirm that they have the permission of the individuals present in the photograph to share their image. Submitting a winning photo from a previous contest will result in an automatic disqualification.

Secondary school students under the age of 18 must complete and submit the Photo Contest Consent Form via OWL to participate in the contest.

Submission

Participation in this contest may require personal information to be collected such as an email address and/or contact name which may contain identifying information. This information will be stored on the secure Western University network. Entries will be submitted to the Languages and Cultures Photo Contest site using Western's learning management system OWL via this link: <https://owl.uwo.ca/x/9z7kPP>. The OWL system has been formally reviewed by Western University's Technology Risk Assessment Committee. Instructions for OWL use are found here: <https://owlhelp.uwo.ca/>. Participants will be prompted to login with their Western username and password, then select "**Join**" for the Languages and Cultures Photo Contest OWL site to continue.

Ontario secondary school students will need to provide an email address to be invited to the Photo Contest OWL submission site as a guest user. Please contact undergraduate_lc@uwo.ca for assistance with external OWL access.

Selection Process

Photos will be evaluated and judged by a jury panel consisting of various members of the Department of Languages and Cultures and/or the Faculty of Arts and Humanities. If any category receives 50 or more submissions, the Languages and Cultures Outreach Committee will do a pre-selection of the images to be sent for evaluation to the jury panel.

Categories

Intercultural Moments
Journey of Languages
Intimate Spaces Across Cultures
Literary Escapes

Prizes and Exhibition

One CAD\$150 first place prize for Western University students

One CAD\$100 second place prize for Western University students

One CAD\$75 first place prize for London, Ontario Secondary School Students

One CAD\$50 second place prize for London, Ontario Secondary School Students

Winning photos will be displayed virtually on our Department website, with consent. Consent will be obtained as required for any hard copy exhibition at Western University.

Deadlines

Please note dates are subject to change.

Contest start date: January 1, 2022

Submission deadline: February 19, 2022

Winners announced: May 15, 2022

For further information: Please contact the Languages and Cultures Outreach Committee at undergraduate_lc@uwo.ca or see general Department contact information here: <https://www.uwo.ca/languages/>.