



## Ellis County Master Gardener Association Photo Contest

Winners of the photo contest will collect, in total, prize money equal to the combined entry fees of all entrants. The entry fee is \$2 per submission. Prize money will be awarded in three categories: Single specimen, In the Garden, and Garden Bounty.

### **Photo Contest Rules**

1. Unaltered Digital Only: minimum 3 megapixels (300 dpi), but higher resolution is encouraged. Please note that “film-photographers” can participate by having their photographs developed and placed on cd.
2. Categories:
  - Single specimen (*i.e.*, one tulip or a field of bluebonnets)
  - In The Garden (water gardens, flower boxes, container gardens, full backyards, rooftop gardens, butterfly gardens, fairy gardens, etc.)
  - Garden Bounty (fruits, vegetables, herbs, etc.)

Please refrain from including people in your photographs.

3. Winning entries will be judged by a panel of judges based on technical quality (sharpness & correct exposure), composition, creativity and originality. The decisions of the panel are final.
4. Winners will be announced on or before October 15, 2007 in the *HoeHums*, E-Newsletter, and on the [www.ECMGA.com](http://www.ECMGA.com) website. Winners will also be announced in *The Daily Light* newspaper .
5. First prize will win 50% of entry fee money for each category. Second prize will receive 35%, and third prize 15%. To qualify to receive a prize, winners must sign an affidavit of eligibility and release. Panel of judges are not eligible to enter.
6. All photos become the property of the Ellis County Master Gardener Association. ECMGA may use the photos in its publications, educational programs, and publicity efforts. Prize winning photos may be featured in calendars, powerpoints, publicity ads, etc. ECMGA cannot be responsible for lost, late, misdirected, postage-due or damaged mail.
7. Number of Submissions: Contestants may enter as many times as they wish, but must pay an entry fee and submit separate Entry Form for each entry submitted. Submissions are due by September 30, 2007.

Entries will be assigned numbers and displayed on the [www.ECMGA.com](http://www.ECMGA.com) website.



## Ellis County Master Gardener Association Photo Contest ---- ENTRY FORM

To enter, mail your unaltered digital photographs on a cd, along with the fully completed entry form, and a check or money order to ECMGA.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_ Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Description (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Location of photo shoot: \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby give the Ellis County Master Gardener Association the right to reproduce, print and publish this photograph. I understand that by submitting this photograph, I waive all rights to receive compensation for the future use of this photograph by the Ellis County Master Gardener Association.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

**Mail to:  
ECMGA, Attn: Photo Contest, 701 South I-35, Suite 3, Waxahachie, Texas 75165**