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**WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION KICKS OFF PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

*Madison, Wis*. (November 1, 2024) – The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation has kicked off a contest that challenges all 4-H members to explore their creativity.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Celebrates the Arts Photography Contest is open to any current Wisconsin 4-H member, and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is awarding cash prizes. The contest will be held virtually, with photos of all entries submitted electronically. Entries are being accepted now through January 31, 2025.

The contest is broken into three categories:

1. General Photography
2. 4-H Experience Photography
3. Clovers on Film

A winner will be chosen in each category with a Best of Show award given to one entry chosen by the judging committee. Category winners will receive a $50 cash award. The Best of Show entry will receive an additional $100 cash award. Other photographs may be recognized but will not receive a cash award.

To be eligible for the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Photography Contest, youth must be a 4-H member enrolled in 4H Online for the 2024-2025 4-H Program Year. Entrants do not need to be enrolled in any specific project to participate.

*Entry Information*

* Entries will be accepted from Friday, November 1, 2024, until midnight on Friday, January 31, 2025.
* A photo of the entry and the completed entry form must be submitted through the contest website: [**https://wis4hfoundation.org/celebrate-the-arts/**](https://wis4hfoundation.org/celebrate-the-arts/)
* Each photographer may submit up to one entry in each of the three categories but may submit only one entry in each category.

For official contest rules and requirements and how to submit, please visit: [**https://wis4hfoundation.org/celebrate-the-arts/**](https://wis4hfoundation.org/celebrate-the-arts/).

The winning photos from each category and the Best of Show will become the property of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. In addition, any entry may be used by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation to promote the 4-H program and/or to raise funds for the Wisconsin 4-H program. Proceeds from any Celebrate the Arts event or sales will be split evenly with half invested in the Talen Endowment for 4-H Arts Programming and half used for arts programming in the next 4-H program year.

Since 1914, Wisconsin 4-H has helped young people develop the skills they need to meet the demands of our complex and changing world. Growing out of a rich history of agricultural clubs that helped the University of Wisconsin Extension connect families to research-based advancements in farming technology and techniques, today’s 4-H has expanded to include science (STEM), leadership, healthy living and communications programming that will help Wisconsin youth build a healthier and more prosperous future.

 4-H is one of the largest and oldest statewide youth organizations in Wisconsin, offering a wide variety of programs in both urban and rural settings. From the 4-H activities in the city of Milwaukee to the 4-H clubs in rural areas of Bayfield County, 4-H is making a positive impact on young people throughout the state. Nearly 150,000 youth participate in the Wisconsin 4-H program each year, and more than 22,000 volunteers support the program.

 The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, based in Madison, provides essential funding for 4-H programs throughout Wisconsin. By partnering with individuals, corporations and foundations, the Foundation supports 4-H leadership, youth development and community-building activities throughout the state. Learn more about the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation by visiting www.Wis4HFoundation.org.

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