WHO: Area photographers are invited to enter UW-Washington County’s fourth annual GIVE US YOUR BEST SHOT Photography Competition. The contest is open to all Wisconsin residents at least 15 years of age who are amateur shutterbugs only; professional photographers (i.e., anyone earning 50 percent or more of their annual income from photography) need not apply. Please read all of the rules on this page before submitting your photo.

WHAT: We are looking for striking digital images in color or black and white. We want gritty as well as pretty. Have some fun with it - experiment with lighting, angles, subjects and composition. Start shooting...and surprise us! If close-up identifiable views of people are included in your photo, you are responsible for obtaining permission from the individuals depicted, and must be able to provide a copy of their release to UW-WC upon request. If you need a release form, please contact Sue Bausch (sue.bausch@uwc.edu) or phone 262-335-5233.

PHOTOS: One photo per person. Photos should be JPEG or TIFF attachments, between 1MB and 10MB in size. Resolution must be print quality (300 dpi or higher preferred) as the winning photos will be displayed at 11”x14”.

HOW/WHEN TO ENTER: Your photo must be submitted between October 1, 2014 and January 4, 2015, by one of the following two methods:

• Via Email: Email your photo to sue.bausch@uwc.edu with PHOTO CONTEST in the subject line and required information (see below) in the body of the email.

• Via Manual Submission Process – Copy photo to CD or zip drive. Include the required information (see above) on the cd envelope (please do not send loose sheets of paper). Drop off file at the main office or mail to: UW-Washington County, Atn: Photo Contest, 400 University Drive, West Bend, WI 53095. Files are not returned.

REQUIRED INFORMATION:
Include this information with your photo:
* NAME
* MAILING ADDRESS -include city/state/zipcode
* PHONE NUMBER
* SUBJECT MATTER (such as “Ireland rainbow”) Please note if your photo is digitally altered.
* STATEMENT: “I have read the contest rules and agree to them.”

PRIZES & RECOGNITION:
All photos will be on display during the FESTIVAL OF ARTS on Saturday, April 18, 2015 in the campus library. The top 15 winning photos will be announced no later than April 1, 2015.
FIRST PRIZE: $100, SECOND PRIZE: $75, THIRD PRIZE: $50 PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED AT THE FESTIVAL AT NOON IN THE THEATRE.
TOP 3 PHOTOS will remain on permanent display at UW-WC (with plaque identifying photographer).
TOP 15 PHOTOS will be framed and displayed in UW-WC’s Art Gallery during the Festival and then moved to front lobby of campus until 2016 Festival.

WINNING PHOTOS become the property of UW-Washington County, which may edit, publish, distribute and republish them in any form. Photographers retain the rights to their images.

JUDGING: Winners will be determined by a panel of judges that includes UW-WC art faculty and a representative from The Wisconsin Museum of Art.