

Award-Winning Photography from the 2024 Utah State Fair on View at Gallery East

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Prize Photography from the 2024 Utah State Fair

Price, Utah - An exhibit of photographs, *Prize Photography from the 2024 Utah State Fair*, from the Utah Arts & Museums Traveling Exhibition Program, is now on view at Utah State University Eastern's Gallery East in the Central Instruction Building (CIB). The exhibition features prize winners from the Utah State Fair's annual photography competition.

Over five billion photographs are captured daily. On average, an American takes 20 photos per day. The Utah State Fair Photography Competition attracts hundreds of entries annually in numerous categories. These photographs, whether taken on film, slides, digital cameras, or smartphones, span an array of interests.

Curtis Parker, the Photography Division Supervisor at the Utah State Fair, shares, "The photographs submitted to the fair serve as a source of inspiration and motivation for others to embrace photography as a hobby. Even for those who don't partake in photography, simply enjoying the visuals is a delightful experience."

With the rising popularity of photography, Parker challenges both new and returning photographers to "think and shoot out of the lens!" Regardless of winning a ribbon, the most common sentiment he encounters from previous participants is an enthusiastic declaration of return: "I'll be back next year."

About Utah Division of Arts & Museums Traveling Exhibition Program

Utah Arts & Museums Traveling Exhibition Program is a statewide outreach program that provides schools, museums, libraries, and community galleries with

the opportunity to bring curated exhibitions to their communities. This program is supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information on participating in the program, please contact Fletcher Booth at fbooth@utah.gov or (801) 824-9177. For media inquiries, please contact Ellen Weist at eweist@utah.gov or (503) 490-4806.

About Utah Division of Arts & Museums

The Utah Division of Arts & Museums is a division of the Utah Department of Cultural & Community Engagement. Utah Arts & Museums seeks to advance Utahns' quality of life through arts and museum experiences and cultural opportunities. We are a service organization offering a variety of professional development opportunities and funding to schools, local arts agencies, organizations, municipalities, community centers, performing groups, museums, and individuals across Utah. Additional information can be found at artsandmuseums.utah.gov.

USU Eastern's Gallery East is free and open to the public during the academic year from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed weekends and holidays. There will not be a reception for this exhibit.

Contact Noel Carmack, at (435) 613-5241 or email noel.carmack@usu.edu for any questions about the exhibit.

