

Pima County 4-H Photography - Judging Criteria

4-H member's Name _____ Age _____ Years in project _____

1. TECHNICAL QUALITY:

- a. Is the photograph sharp and in proper focus especially in regards to the subject?
- b. Has the image been properly exposed?
- c. Was the print properly printed for subject appropriate color, contrast, and density?
- d. Is the mounting or presentation done properly?

2. ARTISTIC or CREATIVE VALUE:

- a. Is there an obvious center of interest that is easily identifiable?
- b. Is the image cropped /composed in a pleasing and well balanced manner that emphasizes the center of interest? Has the compositional Rule of 3rds been applied appropriately or not?
- c. Does the camera angle add interest to the theme of the image? Has the appropriate focal length been selected for the subject?
- d. Are leading lines or framing techniques used to add depth and direct viewer's attention to the subject?
- e. Are the visual elements of texture, shape, form, used to add interest and support to the image's theme?
- f. Do the colors or tones of the image have harmony and balance and direct viewer attention toward the center of interest?
- g. Does the image convey motion? Is it blurred or stopped? Is it headed in the appropriate direction as to strengthen the impact image?
- h. Is the style of lighting appropriate for the subject? Does it add interest or impact to the image?
- i. Has a crucial moment been captured?

3. PSYCHOLOGICAL or EMOTIONAL IMPACT:

- a. Has a crucial moment been captured?
- b. Is the subject matter interesting and impactful?
- c. Does the image tell a story about the subject?
- d. Does the image capture any emotion on the part of the subject?
- e. Does the image evoke a feeling or emotion in the viewer?
- f. Does the image have overall impact?

IMAGE NAME				
<i>Technical Score</i>				
<i>Artistic Score</i>				
<i>Emotional Score</i>				
TOTAL SCORE				

4=Excellent 3=Good
 2= Satisfactory 1=Needs work
 Purple 10-12 Blue 7-9
 Red 4-6 White 1-3

Comments: