



## Blount County ~ Awesome by Nature

### Video Contest - General information:

1. The Video Contest is open to Adults and Teens (13 - 100 years old).
2. **Six** entries per person will be accepted April 1 - June 30, 2023. The six entries can be a combination of photos or artwork from any of the categories and about Blount County. Or short video-clips - theme "Enjoy the River".
3. The winning video-clip will receive \$100.
  - There is no entry fee.
  - To submit entries: 1) Register at [FLFR.org](http://FLFR.org) 2) Email a link to [videocontest@FLFRal.com](mailto:videocontest@FLFRal.com)

There are 10 categories:

- **Animals in Nature**, for example: armadillos, beavers, chipmunks, deer, foxes, otters, possums, rabbits, raccoons, skunks, squirrels, etc. [Locust Fork Family Dentistry](#)
- **Birds & Raptors**, for example: birds, eagles, hawks, owls, ospreys, etc. [Spring Valley Beach](#)
- **Bugs, Butterflies & Spiders**, ie: bees, centipedes, dragonflies, spiders, etc. [Locust Fork Pharmacy](#)
- **Farm Life & Animals** ie: chickens, cows, ducks, goats, horses, rabbits, sheep, people working, celebrating and enjoying life at a farm, grazing grasses, fields, etc. [Southern Vision Eye Care](#)
- **FLFR Activities**, ie: KDoR, landscaping at the Grand Staircase, planting seedlings at the nursery, cleaning up riverbanks, water testing at the river, painting murals, etc. [The Blount Countian](#)
- **Habitat & Seasons**: covered bridges, landscapes in spring, summer, fall or winter, cliffs, rocks, caves, clouds, sky, sunsets and sunrises, frozen fog, frost, snow, rain, etc. [Oneonta Dental Center](#)
- **Locust Fork River or Its Tributaries, Lakes & Waterfalls**, Blackburn Fork of Little Warrior, Calvert Prong of Little Warrior, Dry Creek, Graves Creek, Gurley Creek, Sand Valley Creek, Inland Lake, Highland Lake, McKay Lake, Mountain Lake and Sugarland Lake, natural and man-made ponds. [Blount Oneonta Chamber of Commerce](#)
- **"Paddle Splash"** - people paddling in the river or a pond or lake, can be in a kayak or canoe or even on a home-made raft. [Alabama Scenic River Trail](#)
- **PIN - People and/or Pets in Nature**: activities along the river, lakes, its tributaries, waterfalls, or woods: bicycling, swimming, jumping, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, hiking or walking, camping, picnicking, etc [Black Warrior Riverkeeper](#)
- **Roots & Shoots**, ie: wildflowers, foliage, mushrooms, moss & trees in the wild. [Stifel Investments](#)
- **Sun-basking Creatures**, ie: frogs, lizards, snakes, toads, terrapins and turtles. [Huntsville Canoe Club](#)

### Rules for Video Contest:

To submit your video clips:

- 1) Register your name and information: Go to [FLFR.org](http://FLFR.org) and click on: 2023 Art, Photo & Video Contest. Upon registration, you will be assigned a transaction ID#.
- 2) Email a link to your video to [videocontest@FLFRal.com](mailto:videocontest@FLFRal.com) - and include your name, age, transaction ID #, title of each video, location.  
For example: Jane Doe, 34, ID# 000007, "Swimming in the falls" near Swann Covered Bridge.

- Entries will be accepted between April 1 - June 30, 2023.
- Each person may submit up to 6 entries. Details at the top under General Information, #2.
- Videos may be color or black & white.
- Videos must have been taken in 2021, 2022 or 2023.
- Videos must be shorter than 40 seconds.
- Submitted videos should not have a visible name, date, border or any type of watermark.

How to share a link to your video from Android Phone or Tablet, or from iPhone	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Android</b> phone or tablet open your photos app</li> <li>2. Select the video you want to upload</li> <li>3. Tap share</li> <li>4. Tap save to drive</li> <li>5. Tap save</li> <li>6. From there simply open it in your Google drive and click share with Video@flfral.com</li> <li>7. Note: for best upload speed, upload videos over a Wi-Fi connection.</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>iPhone</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Connect to your iCloud account.</li> <li>2. Select the video.</li> <li>3. Click the little share/arrow and choose to copy the iCloud link.</li> <li>4. Then email the link to Video@flfral.com.</li> <li>5. If you don't have or don't want to pay for iCloud, you can also create a Google Drive account and upload there for free.</li> </ol>

### Judging:

- Judges will make selections based on 1) originality, 2) technical excellence, 3) outstanding representation of the subject, 4) composition and 5) the story they tell.
- All submissions will be numbered & judged anonymously.
- The judges reserve the right to decide whether a category contains work that merits an award.

### Video Contest participants agree and certify the following:

- Videos were taken by the person whose name is on the registration.
- Videos were taken in Blount County, Alabama.
- Videos were taken in 2021, 2022 or 2023.
- By submitting a contest entry, you grant permission to Friends of the Locust Fork River, any major donor of the contest, or sponsor of a Business Choice Award, to use your contest entry online and in print, and to distribute it through media including print, digital, online services and television. Nevertheless, you retain the right to use your contest entry in any way you choose.
- By submitting a contest entry, you assert you have obtained the consent of all identifiable persons to use their likenesses in your contest entry. Disregard this rule if the subjects in the photo are not identifiable.
- If your video wins you agree that a selfie and a still image will be printed on banners and displayed at various locations in Blount County.
- If your entry wins, you agree that your video will be uploaded to FLFR's Youtube channel and on Facebook and Instagram.
- If you win you agree to be recorded for a short video clip about yourself that will be uploaded to FLFR's Youtube channel, Facebook and Instagram.

### Notification & Award Ceremony:

- Winners will be notified by email no later than August 31, 2023.
- Prizes will be awarded to each winning photographer at the Awards Ceremony in the fall.

Questions, email [info@FLFRAL.com](mailto:info@FLFRAL.com) or write: FLFR, PO Box 638, Cleveland, AL 35049