



# 5th Annual Mum Festival 2026 PHOTO CONTEST



As part of the Mum Festival season of events, the Bristol Historical Society is excited to host a photo contest as part of this year's Festival. Photos will be on display for your viewing pleasure in the Marquee Tent on the festival grounds. Photos judging will be done by a jury of local professional photographers. Awards will be presented Sunday to the best photos.

## Rules:

- 1) Entrant must have taken the photo(s)
- 2) Print sizes between 4x6 and 8x10, they must be matted but not framed.
- 3) Entrant self-selects category.
- 4) Only one photo per category please.
- 5) Entrant must write name and contact info on back of each photo.
- 6) Photos to be dropped off at the Bristol Historical Society Museum any Wednesday or Saturday between 10am and 2pm in the month September, or by appointment( Call Steve at 860-944-6567)
- 7) Photos should be picked up Sunday 9/27 between 2pm and 5pm, or by appointment ( Call Steve at 860-944-6567)
- 8) Color photos and black and white photos will be judged together.
- 9) Please note; due to frequent strong winds at the festival grounds, photos will be mounted with 2-way tape. All effort will be made to remove the photo and matte carefully so they can be reused.

## Divisions and Categories:

There are two divisions, Youth (0 to 17) and Adult (18 and up).

There are eight categories to choose from.

- 1) Portraits (formal and informal)
- 2) Architecture, landscapes and seascapes
- 3) Action (sports, kids at play, etc., anything with movement.)
- 4) Plants and agriculture
- 5) Animals
- 6) Photos from previous Mum Festivals
- 7) Candid
- 8) Miscellaneous
- 9) Edited with computer software

## Awards and Prizes:

In each division, first and second place ribbons will be awarded in each category. Best in Show as determined by the jury of judges will receive a \$25 gift card from a local business.

## Contact info:

For any questions please call or text Steve Vastola at 860-944-6567 or email him at [Activities@BristolHistoricalSociety.org](mailto:Activities@BristolHistoricalSociety.org)



Please do not add hooks to the back of your photos. The Mum Festival venue is sometimes pretty windy and the photos will be mounted with small amounts of two-way tape. Great effort will be made to remove the tape without damaging the photo or the front of the matt.

Photographer names and photo titles will not be displayed. Photos will stand on their own merits.

If there might be a question as to which way is up for your photo, please indicate it on the back.

Please limit the size of the matt to no greater than 3 inches thick on each side of the photo.