

“Smile, Tustin!” 2016

A Photographic Journey Through a Weekend in the Life of Tustin, CA.

Purpose

The goal of this photography contest is to record all aspects of the last summer weekend in Tustin through the eyes of everyone in the community – young and old alike. We hope everyone with a digital camera will get out and participate in our seventh annual **“Smile, Tustin!”** photo contest. What does Labor Day weekend in Tustin look like? These images will capture and preserve the 72 hours between **6:00pm Friday, September 2, 2016 and 6:00pm Monday, September 5, 2016**. All qualifying images submitted will be displayed in a special tent at the 9th Annual Old Town Tustin Art Walk on Saturday, October 15, 2016.

Imagine... everyone of all ages, in one 72-hour period, taking pictures that capture their favorite aspects of their own lives in our great town. Together, the culmination of images will be a huge collage of Tustin life on that weekend. Anyone can enter - amateur and professional alike! Just start snapping digital photos from 6:00pm on September 2 to 6:00pm on September 5 of your choice of subjects during the day and/or night. Photos might include, but are not limited to: home life, work, religious events, secular happenings, nature/landscape, indoor life, outdoor decorations, pets, humor, drama, action, friends, family, city life, or a historical place in our Old Town area.

Rules for Entering and Submitting Images

1. This is a free contest that is open to all ages. To enter, please submit your photograph(s) by 5:00pm on Monday, September 12, 2016 to sharyn@atplayphotography.com with the following entry info: your name (last, first), address, city/state/zip code, age, phone number, e-mail address, title, and description/caption of each photograph. Digital images received without the entry information may not be judged.
2. A maximum of five (5) photos may be entered by each photographer. If more than 5 photos are inadvertently submitted, only the first 5 will be considered in the judging.
3. Please save your digital files and **submit them using your first and last name and a number. For example, sharynsakimoto1, sharynsakimoto2, etc.**
4. Photos can be emailed directly to sharyn@atplayphotography.com, or delivered on one CD to the City of Tustin Parks and Recreation office at 300 Centennial Way, Attn: Smile, Tustin! by Monday, September 12 at 5:00pm. CDs delivered to the city must include an informational sheet with your name (last, first), address, city/state/zip, age (if over 18 “adult”), phone number, email address, title, and description/caption of each photograph. **Encoded digital image information will be checked to ensure that the image was taken within the contest time-period. Be careful to check the internal clock on your camera to make sure it is set correctly before shooting!**
5. All photos must be taken within North Tustin or the city limits of Tustin.

6. Required format for each photo: digital only; 2048x1536 pixels or larger jpeg (at highest quality) and less than 4000 x 3000 pixels; no RAW images. Photos will be cropped to a 5x7 print, so keep that in mind when preparing your files (no square images).
7. E-mailed entries will be acknowledged with an e-mailed confirmation upon receipt.
8. Entry discs will not be returned.
9. All judging decisions are final.
10. Contest is open to all legal residents of the U.S.
11. Photo categories: **Tustin by Day, Tustin by Night, and Summer Fun.**
12. Winners will be selected on the basis of originality, style, creativity, photographic excellence, visual impact, artistic quality, degree of difficulty, overall photo quality, and content (capturing a moment).
13. All photos must be taken within the allotted time period from 6:00pm Friday, September 2 to 6:00pm Monday, September 5 (Labor Day).
14. Photos will be displayed at the Tustin Old Town Art Walk on Saturday, October 15, 2016.
15. Winners will be notified by email. Ribbons will be awarded to the winners and a cash prize will be awarded to the Best in Show winner at the Art Walk.