

15th Annual Bousquet Holstein Photography Contest



To: All Onondaga County and Tompkins County High School Students, Superintendents, Principals, Vice Principals, Art/Photography Teachers:

We are pleased to announce the 15th Annual Bousquet Holstein High School Photography Contest for **Onondaga and Tompkins County High School Student in grades 9 through 12** (including high schools in the cities of Syracuse and Ithaca). Bousquet Holstein law firm now has offices in Downtown Syracuse and Ithaca, so we are again delighted to include high school students from Tompkins County and Onondaga County in this contest!

We will continue to accept all entries only in digital form, but this year we hope to finally return to hosting the finalist award presentations in person in early November.

Please read through all instructions carefully regarding how to submit student images and how to participate.

Each year, the theme of our annual photography contest is inspired by an exhibition at the Everson Museum of Art in Syracuse. This year's theme is titled "**Americana**".

The theme is inspired by the Everson exhibition "Native Americana" by Frank Buffalo Hyde. According to the summary written by the Everson:

"Painter Frank Buffalo Hyde grew up in the Onondaga Nation, where he absorbed much of the pop culture that is still central to his worldview. Throughout his career, Buffalo Hyde has presented "pop" iconography like UFOs, hamburgers, and corporate logos in parallel with Native symbology like the Bison on the Onondaga reservation and Indigenous leaders and dancers."

The exhibition runs from June 10 to September 10, 2023. You can learn more about the artist at: <https://frankbuffalohyde.com/home.html>. We encourage teachers and students to visit the exhibition for inspiration.

"Americana" is broadly defined as anything associated with or characteristic of the culture or civilization of America.

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This year's contest challenges student photographers to capture their personal definition of "Americana," through the juxtaposition of their own history, lived experience, and culture with the broader iconography of Americana.

Attached are the contest rules, deadlines, and judging criteria. Image entries must be received by **Friday, October 6th**. Entry forms and images can be submitted at any time prior to that date. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place photographs and to the visual arts department of the 1st Place winning school.

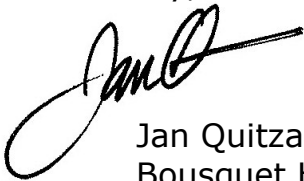
Bousquet Holstein PLLC and its members have been consistent supporters of the arts and education in our cities and counties. As we have done for the past 14 years, our firm will feature the 1st Place winning photograph on our 2023 Thanksgiving card which is mailed to more than 7,500 clients, colleagues, and friends of our law firm.

In early November, we will host an event for our 20 finalists, their teachers, and their immediate families to showcase their photographs. During this event the winning photographs will be announced.

We hope you will encourage your students to participate. We encourage students to use the spring and summer months to create and/or discover the subjects for their images. Students need not be currently enrolled in a visual arts or photography class to enter. They may use any type of camera available to them to participate in this contest including mobile phones or tablets.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,



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STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By entering this contest, student photographers approve and authorize Bousquet Holstein PLLC to publish, print, display, and distribute photographs in Bousquet Holstein printed publications, photo contest materials, social media, internal office galleries, and the firm's website. Participation in the contest is voluntary, and therefore understood that the use of student images on social media, publications, marketing materials, holiday cards, and websites produced by Bousquet Holstein PLLC is also voluntary, and students will receive no financial compensation.

All past winners and finalists of our photography contest are showcased on our firm's website:

<https://www.bhlawpllc.com/about-the-firm/annual-high-school-photography-contest/>

15th Annual Bousquet Holstein Photography Contest Rules

All photographs and corresponding entry forms will be submitted by uploading them to a ShareFile site set up specifically for this contest. It will be important that students and/or teachers create **file names for entry forms and corresponding images that include the name of the school, last name of the student and title of the image.**

(Some abbreviation will keep file names shorter – **EXAMPLE: Henninger-JDoe-OnonSunset**)

Eligibility: Onondaga County and Syracuse City High School Students, currently enrolled in grades 9-12
Tompkins County and Ithaca High School Students, currently enrolled in grades 9-12

Submission Requirements:

- All prints submitted digitally must be as a **HIGH-RESOLUTION JPG/JPEG/PNG** or a **HIGH-QUALITY PDF**.
- A completed entry form must be collected and uploaded to correspond to each image. To ensure accuracy, we would appreciate it if teachers collect and upload ALL images and entry forms and create and submit a list of all students and their entries. *However, students and parents are welcome to submit their images themselves but must provide the same information.*
An Excel or Word list would be preferred:

Spreadsheet/List Set Up Format:

School Name: <i>Henninger HS</i>			Teacher: <i>Mrs. Fitch</i>
Student	Grade	Age	Image Name
<i>John Doe</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Onondaga Sunset</i>
<i>Hayley Mills</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Running for the Hills</i>

- **PLEASE, NO MORE THAN 7 IMAGE ENTRIES PER STUDENT.**
- Students are also asked to get the name(s) and contact information for their subjects and a signed release form if needed. A Bousquet Holstein release form is included in this mailing.

Judging: Entries will be judged on composition, imagination, relevance to theme, and creativity of content. The selection of the top 20 entries will be made by a panel of artists, teachers, photographers, and attorneys at Bousquet Holstein PLLC.

Deadline: All entries must be uploaded and received by **Friday October 6, 2023, 5 PM**. We will confirm receipt via email.

Finalists: Finalists will be notified once the judges have convened and reviewed all images. Students and teachers will be notified **by email**, usually at the end of October-early November.

Prizes: The 1st place winner will receive a **\$500 scholarship** and their school's art/photography class will also receive \$500. The 2nd place winner will receive a **\$300 scholarship**, and the 3rd place winner will receive a **\$200 scholarship**.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR TEACHERS: *Once you have collected all digital image files and entry forms, please use this ShareFile link to upload the images and documents. If this is your first time entering the contest, you will need to set up a login account. Please follow the directions provided on this website:*

<https://bhlawpllc.sharefile.com/i/ic4a0281c9544e9ab>

Please make sure the file names of the images and documents include the name of school, student's last name and image title (abbreviate if possible).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jan Quitzau at 315.701.6437 or send him an email at jquitzau@bhlawpllc.com



2023 PHOTO CONTEST PHOTO SUBJECT RELEASE FORM

Subject or Person(s) Name: _____

I hereby approve and authorize Bousquet Holstein PLLC to publish the photographs taken of me for use in Bousquet Holstein printed publications, photo contest materials, social media and digital marketing services, and the firm's website. I acknowledge that my participation in the images taken by high school students competing in the firm's photo contest is voluntary, and therefore I understand the use of my image on social media, publications, marketing materials, and websites produced by Bousquet Holstein PLLC is also voluntary, and I will receive no financial compensation.

I further agree that my participation in any publication and website produced by Bousquet Holstein PLLC confers upon me no rights of ownership whatsoever. I release Bousquet Holstein and any high school students, teachers or administrators participating in the Bousquet Holstein Photo Contest from liability for any claims by me or any third party in connection with my participation.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____