

# *Voices for the Marsh 2012*



*Photo by Barbara Warren, Best in Show 2010*

*Presented by*  
***Friends for the Marsh***

A photographic exhibition featuring the works of local artists showcasing a New Jersey marshland and surrounding natural areas in Hamilton, Trenton, and Bordentown

***Opening Venue: The Mercer County Library, Lawrence Branch,  
2751 Brunswick Pike (corner Rt. 1 & Darrah Lane)  
Lawrenceville, NJ***

*Opening Reception:* Saturday, February 4 - reception 2 - 4 PM, award ceremony at 3 PM.  
(Snow date: Sunday, February 5)

*On display:* February 2, 2012 – February 28, 2012,  
during regular library hours:

<http://webservice.mcl.org/branches/lawrbr.html>.

***Second Venue: D&R Greenway Land Trust***  
1 Preservation Place

Princeton, NJ 09540 – 609-924-4646

*On display:* March 1- mid May  
during office hours,  
details TBA



*Friends for the Marsh*, in partnership with D & R Greenway Land Trust, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting the Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown marshlands. Information can be found at: [www.marsh-friends.org](http://www.marsh-friends.org) or call 609-924-4646. For questions about the show, contact the committee at: [marshphotos@marsh-friends.org](mailto:marshphotos@marsh-friends.org)

## Calendar of Events for 2012

**First Venue:** The Mercer County Library, Lawrence Branch, 2751 Brunswick Pike, Lawrenceville, NJ

- **Submission of electronic images for judging** – Submissions will be judged based on electronic images, which must be on a CD, delivered by 5 p.m. Thursday January 5, 2012, addressed to *Voices for the Marsh*, c/o D&R Greenway Land Trust, 1 Preservation Place, Princeton, NJ 08540.
- **Notification of accepted entries** – Notification of acceptances will be made by January 12 via email only.
- **Submission of accepted entries** – Accepted entries must be delivered either to The Mercer County Library, Lawrence Branch, 2751 Brunswick Pike, Lawrenceville, NJ on February 1st from 11 AM - 1 PM, or to D&R Greenway Land Trust, 1 Preservation Place, Princeton, NJ 08540 on Thursday, January 26 - 6:30-8:30 PM.
- **Opening reception and award ceremony - Saturday, February 4, reception 2 - 4 PM, award ceremony at 3 PM.** Snow date: Sunday, February 5.
- **Exhibition dates at The Mercer County Library, Lawrence Branch:** during regular library hours February 2, 2012 – February 28, 2012, <http://webservice.mcl.org/branches/lawrbr.html>.

**Second venue:** D&R Greenway Land Trust – 1 March – mid May; details TBA.

- **Return of Work:** Date, time, and location TBA.

### Awards

- ✓ **Best in Show - Adult**
- ✓ **Best in Show – Youth** (Up to and including high school senior, or 18 years of age if not in school)
- ✓ **Best in Category:** Plants, Wildlife, Natural Habitats, and People Connecting with Nature

Entries will be judged based on artistic merit, professional quality presentation, and their celebration of the natural beauty and diversity of the Marsh. All awards, except the Peoples Choice Award, will be given at the discretion of the jurors and will include Best in Show (\$100) and Best in Category awards (\$75). The Youth category includes students up to and including grade 12. Best in Category awards are open to entrants of all ages.

**Prize sponsors:** Princeton Photography Club & NJ Sierra Club.

### Entry Requirements

- Open to all photographers.
- All photographs must be taken within the Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh borders. See <http://www.marsh-friends.org/> for maps of the Marsh, including access points, trails, and field trips.
- All images created utilizing photographic processes, including black & white and color photography, non-silver processes, Polaroid, and digital are eligible.

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- All photographs should accurately reflect the subject matter as it appeared. Cropping and minor adjustments to color and contrast are acceptable, but no further manipulation of images is allowed.
- Photographs must be available for sale. To support the promotion of future exhibits, *Friends for the Marsh* will retain 40% of sale price and the artist will receive 60% of the proceeds.
- Photographs previously hung in any of the earlier *Voices for the Marsh* exhibitions will not be accepted.

### Jurors

**Photographer: Sally K. Davidson** is a photographer, artist, historian, and educator. Ms. Davidson has taught photography courses for more than three decades, most recently at Grounds for Sculpture. As a professional photographer, Ms. Davidson has recorded many aspects of the real world in commercial projects including meetings, portraiture, and travel. As an artist, she investigates natural objects like trees, flowers, landscapes, and the effects of shadows and reflections. In recent years, she has examined the surfaces of real objects, using a macro lens to create a more intimate view. She is the recipient of the Nikon International Award (1994), and has participated in many juried exhibits. Her photographs appear in eight books published by Crown Publishers, Inc. (Arts and Craft Series). Ms. Davidson holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Chicago.

**Naturalist: Jenn Rogers, County Naturalist**, (Mercer County Park Commission) has been educating people of all ages about the natural world since 2002. Currently, she plans and develops the County's nature education programs, organizes volunteer efforts, coordinates deer management and is active in park management. She partners with non-profit groups working to strengthen environmental initiatives, including the Central Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team. Jenn is a native of New England and has a B.S. in Wildlife Management from the University of New Hampshire.

### Reproduction Rights

*Friends for the Marsh* reserves the right to reproduce all or part of an entry for publication specifically for the benefit of current or future *Voices for the Marsh* exhibits. If used, credit will be given to the photographer. Entrants retain ownership and all other rights to future use of their photographs.

### Conditions & Liabilities

Photographs must be framed, wired, and ready for presentation. Accepted photos must not be removed until the exhibition closes. Photographs will be handled with care, but *Friends for the Marsh* and *D&R Greenway Land Trust* will not be held liable for any loss or damage to photographs or frames while in transit to or during exhibitions. Artists can provide their own insurance during the judging and exhibition period if desired.

## Entry Fee and Instructions

### Submission for Judging

- **Submissions will be judged based on electronic images**, which must be on a CD, delivered by 5PM Thursday January 5, addressed to *Voices for the Marsh*, c/o D&R Greenway Land Trust, 1 Preservation Place, Princeton, NJ 08540. CDs will not be returned.
- Each artist may submit up to five entries. A nonrefundable fee of \$7.00 will be charged for each entry, or \$30.00 will be charged for five entries. Make checks payable to “Friends for the Marsh Photography Exhibit”. **Please include check and the completed Registration Form with CD. All information on the Registration Form is required.**
- For each entry, the photographer must specify the photo **category** in which it is being entered: **Plants, Wildlife, Natural Habitats, or People Connecting with Nature.** The *Voices for the Marsh* Committee reserves the right to reassign an entry to a different category.
- Label the CD with your name and *Voices of the Marsh* Photo Contest.
- Each image must be 300 dpi and scaled to 6” x 4”.
- **Name the file containing each image with the following four elements, separated by an underscore:** (1) **Y or A** (Youth or Adult); (2) **F, W, H, P** (F for Plants, W for Wildlife, H for Natural Habitats, and P for People Connecting with Nature); (3) **your last name and first initial of your first name;** (4) **title of the image.** **For example**, for an adult entry in the Plants category with a title “Virginia Bluebells”, submitted by Reggie Smith, the filename must be: **A\_F\_SmithR\_VirginiaBluebells.jpg.**
- To receive the jurors’ decision, please provide an email address on your Registration Form.

### Submission of Accepted Entries

After notification that one or more of your entries are accepted for inclusion in the show, please adhere to the following requirements.

- **Submission of accepted entries** – Accepted entries must be delivered to either The Mercer County Library, Lawrence Branch, 2751 Brunswick Pike (corner Rt. 1 & Darrah Lane), Lawrenceville, NJ on February 1 from 11 AM - 1 PM, **or** to D&R Greenway Land Trust, 1 Preservation Place, Princeton, NJ 08540 on Thursday, January 26 - 6:30-8:30 PM. Please retain a copy of the Registration Form for your records. When photographs are delivered, an entry label, as it appears on the Registration Form, must be attached to the back of each photograph.
- When you submit your framed images, you are encouraged to celebrate the Marsh by displaying your work in the size that you feel best expresses it.
- Quality matters. Please use archival paper for digital prints, and proper fixing for those developed using traditional methods.
- When delivered, photographs must be framed and wired for hanging. No clip-type frames allowed. Improperly framed/wired photos will be disqualified. Black frames with white mats are preferred.

For questions contact the committee at [marshphotos@marsh-friends.org](mailto:marshphotos@marsh-friends.org).

Please help us make this show a success by distributing a copy of this flyer to other photographers who might be interested in participating. Thank you!

# *Voices for the Marsh* Registration Form

**This Registration Form must accompany both the CD with your entries.**

Please print.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Category:  Adult  Youth (18 years or younger)

*Voices for the Marsh* Entry 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Dimensions Framed: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Selling Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location of photo in the Marsh \_\_\_\_\_

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*Voices for the Marsh* Entry 4

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Dimensions Framed: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Selling Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location of photo in the Marsh \_\_\_\_\_

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*Voices for the Marsh* Entry 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Dimensions Framed: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Selling Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location of photo in the Marsh \_\_\_\_\_

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*Voices for the Marsh* Entry 5

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Dimensions Framed: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Selling Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location of photo in the Marsh \_\_\_\_\_

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*Voices for the Marsh* Entry 3

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Photo Dimensions Framed: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Selling Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location of photo in the Marsh \_\_\_\_\_

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