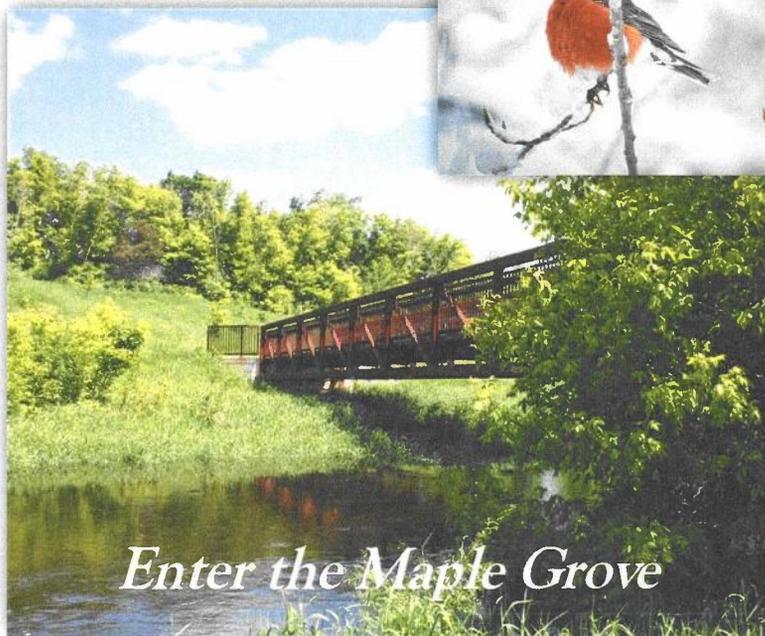
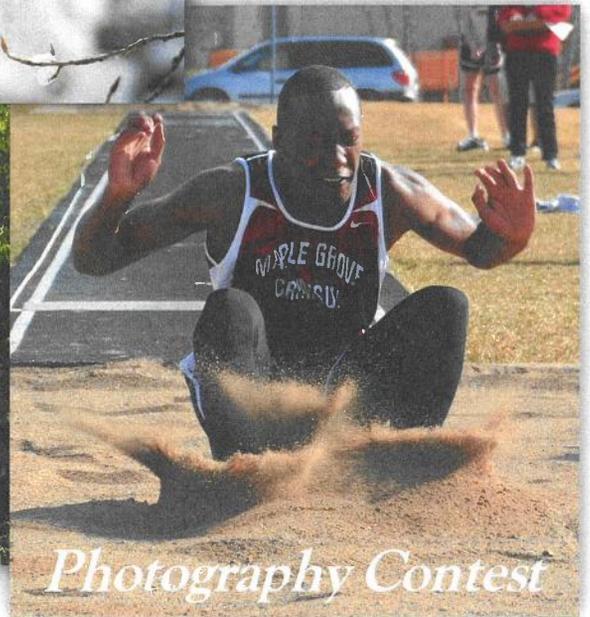




# CAPTURE MAPLE GROVE MOMENTS



*Enter the Maple Grove*



*Photography Contest*

## Share Your Snapshots!

The **Maple Grove Moments Photography Contest** is a great way to show how special our community is! Everyone is encouraged to participate -- residents, business people, and students attending school in Maple Grove. Entries are accepted starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, and the contest runs through July 20th.

**NEW:** Entrants are encouraged to submit their photos and contest entry forms online through a special link on the City website ([www.maplegrovern.gov](http://www.maplegrovern.gov))

A 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize photo is selected in each of the four categories, as well as recognitions in the youth category for those under age 18. Photos must have been taken in Maple Grove in 2011 or later and can depict any of the four seasons.

Photographers may submit up to three submissions for each of the following categories (total of 12):

- **Going Together** (family, neighbors, friends --talking, working, learning, playing, every day activities—e.g., kids in the backyard, birthday parties, shopping, barbecuing, working in the garden/cutting the grass, students getting on the school bus, neighbors talking in front of their home)
- **Going Strong** (celebrating our community through activities and events-- sports, recreation, arts, concerts and/or special gathering places – Central Park, Farmers Market, Town Green, Maple Grove Days, National Night Out block parties, Community Center)
- **Going Natural** (parks, landscapes, plants, flowers, weather/sky)
- **Going Wild** (wildlife, birds, animals, including pets)
- **Youth category** (submissions can pertain to any the categories)

Should participants wish to submit their entries via mail or drop off at the Government Center. They can submit a CD/DVD that includes each individual photo in jpg format. (No slide shows or videos please.) Each photo submission must be accompanied by a separate paper entry form.

Starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, the online option as well as the photo contest packet (in pdf format) will be available on the City of Maple Grove website ([www.maplegrovern.gov](http://www.maplegrovern.gov)). You can also call **763-494-6002** to request a packet by mail or pick up at the Maple Grove Government Center, 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway.

Monetary prizes are awarded in each of the four categories as well as in the youth category with winners being invited to a future City Council meeting to receive their recognition. All photographs are posted on the City of Maple Grove website. Winning entries will be published in the winter 2016 City of Maple Grove newsletter.

The City is proud to partner with Prime Advertising & Design, Inc. for the contest. Photos submitted may be used on our websites as well as in area-wide publications/media such as City newsletter, Facebook page, Parks and Recreation brochures, Residents' Guide, etc.

## Maple Grove Moments Photography Contest Rules

*It is not necessary to provide printed copies of photographs. Only a CD/DVD with the individual photos (in jpg format) is needed.*

**A completed official entry form must accompany each photograph submitted.** Only entry forms with complete, accurate and legible information will be considered.

**All entries must be on one CD/DVD** (that includes each photograph individually in jpg format) with the high resolution digital file sized at least 5 by 7 inches at 300 dpi.

Photographs can be color or black and white.

If a photo submitted does not have a completed entry form or vice versa, it will not be considered.

No email submissions will be accepted.

Photographs with obscene content will not be considered.

Photographs must be previously unpublished. Photographs that have been published in any form prior to entry into the contest will be disqualified. Photos that were submitted in past Maple Grove Moments Photography Contests will not be considered.

The contest is open to Maple Grove residents, business people and students attending school in Maple Grove. All entries submitted must be your own work. (Employees and their family members of the City of Maple Grove, Prime Advertising & Design, Inc. and any sponsors and/or judges are not eligible to enter.)

Photographs must have been taken within the city limits of Maple Grove, Minnesota, in 2011 or later. Photographs from all seasons are encouraged.

Minor digital enhancement is permitted, but images that have been significantly modified or appear unnatural will be disqualified.

If there are identifiable people in the photograph, and it was taken in a non-public space, it is the responsibility of the photographer to obtain permission to use the photograph.

Once they are submitted, photographs/images become the property of the City of Maple Grove and Prime Advertising & Design, Inc. and have all rights for usage. No CD's/DVD's will be returned.

**CD/DVD, and completed entry form (s) must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2016.** They may be brought to the Maple Grove Government Center at 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway during regular business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Monday – Friday). Make sure to mark them to the attention of Photography Contest.

CD/DVD and completed entry forms can also be mailed to Administration Department, Attn: Photography Contest, P.O. Box 1180, Maple Grove, MN 55311. The City is not responsible for any lost or misdirected entries.

## **Maple Grove Moments Photography Contest Judging/Awards**

Entries will be reviewed by a panel of judges selected by the City of Maple Grove and Prime Advertising & Design, Inc.

Photographs will be judged on the basis of creativity, photographic quality, composition, and how an image expresses the theme of the selected category.

All decisions will be final, and judges reserve the right to recategorize or disqualify any entrant.

CD/DVD containing all photos must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2016, to be eligible for judging.

There will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize awarded in each of the categories. First prize winners will receive \$100 each; 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$50 each; and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$25 each. In the youth category, four photographers will be selected to each receive a \$50 award.

Prizes may not be awarded if no acceptable entries are received.

Winners in each category will be notified by phone and/or email. They will be invited to receive their prize at a Maple Grove City Council meeting.

All contest entries received will be posted on the City of Maple Grove website ([www.maplegrovern.gov](http://www.maplegrovern.gov)). Winning entries will be published in the winter 2016 City of Maple Grove newsletter.

# Maple Grove Moments Photography Contest Entry Form

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