

ANNOUNCING THE ANNUAL



Discover America Through Postcards® Contest

Photo Contest

October is “Discover America Month”

Celebrate the anniversary of Columbus’s discovery of America by visiting a public place in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, or South America. Take a photo, write a short caption (50 words or less) and submit the image and words to the Annual “Discover America through Postcards” contest.

Four images will be selected and made into e-postcards featured on the *Postcards from America*® website (<http://www.postcardsfrom.com>) during the month of October. The winner will be announced on the following New Year’s Day .

The contest is open to subscribers. Subscribe at www.postcardsfrom.com/h/frcrds.html (subscriptions are free) and return to this page to complete your registration.

Qualifications

1. Entrant must be the photographer and sole owner of the photo.
2. Entrant must be 13 years old or older and, if under 18, must have signed permission from his or her parent or legal guardian.
3. Photo must be an original shot of a public location in either North or South America or any of the 50 states, including Alaska and Hawaii. The location must be clearly identified, e.g., Rainbow Falls, Hilo, Hawaii.
4. Horizontal pictures are preferred over vertical. Any vertical photographs submitted may be cropped to fit a horizontal format.
5. Scenic photos only. Images with identifiable people in frame will not be considered.
6. Maximum of two photos per entrant.
7. Photo may be mailed or emailed. If mailed, photo should be no larger than 8 x 10. If emailed, format should be in jpeg or gif format no larger than 2 megabytes). Photo may be color or black/white. Postcards from America reserves the right to crop or redesign photos. (Note: photo entries will not be returned. Be sure to retain a duplicate for yourself.)
8. Photo must be accompanied by a brief photo caption (50 words or less) describing the image.
9. After Columbus Day, each week in October an image will be selected as a finalist and made into an e-postcard. Entries will be accepted until **October 31**. The sooner you enter the better your chances. Enter today.
10. Only subscribers may enter (subscriptions are free).

Register for the contest at <http://postcardsfrom.com/contest/welcome.html>, or fill in this form.

Official Entry Form

Contestant Information:

**Required*

*Name: _____

*Mailing Address: _____

line 2 _____

line 3 _____

*Email Address: _____

When submitting your photos be sure to use this same email address. It validates your entry.

*Telephone: _____

(If under 18, phone number of the legal guardian)

*Age: **13 to 17** **18 or over**

Please circle one

IMPORTANT: If 18 years old or older, you're almost done with this form. Go to page three to sign the agreement.
If contestant is between the ages of 13 and 18, a parent or legal guardian must complete the next step.

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

line 2 _____

line 3 _____

Email Address: _____

When submitting your photos be sure to use this same email address. It validates your entry.

Telephone: _____

(If under 18, phone number of the legal guardian)

Age: **under 18** **18 or over**

Please circle one

Notification, Prizes And Publication Of Winners

Four images will be selected as finalists and made into e-postcards featured on the Postcards from America website during the month of October.

All four finalists receive an autographed copy of the

companion book Discover America Diaries, Volume I. The Grand Prize winner, announced on New Year's Day, receives the book plus \$100.

Winners will be notified via email. Entrants must respond with acceptance within seven (7) days of notification.

The Fine Print

Contestant (or parent or legal guardian of contestant) grants WriteLine LLC permission to publish the photo, entrant's name and home town (or, at entrant's request, just their home state) on the *Postcards from America* website and in any additional publications. **Entrant's address and phone number will not be published, nor will this information be shared with third parties.**

WriteLine LLC assumes no responsibility for submissions. Entrants agree that WriteLine LLC has the right to use, without further compensation, their photographs for promotion & publication on WriteLine's websites, as well as other related uses.

Each image must be the original work of the person submitting the image. Entrants under 18 years of age must submit a release from a parent or guardian or be disqualified.

Damaged, mutilated or otherwise illegible entries will be disqualified and discarded upon receipt without further consideration and without notification of entrants.

The addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of entrants will not be sold or otherwise provided to any third parties.

By participating in this contest, entrants expressly acknowledge compliance with these Official Rules, and waive all right to, and hold harmless, sponsor and its advertising and promotions agencies from any loss, damage or expense arising out of or in connection with participation in this contest or the acceptance, use or misuse of any prize, or resulting from acceptance, possession, or use of any prize, including without limitation, personal injury, death, and property damage, and claims based on publicity rights, defamation, or invasion of privacy.

Return of any prize notification as undeliverable will result in disqualification and an alternate winner will be selected.

By participating in this promotion, entrants agree to be bound by the Official Rules. Sponsor is not responsible for any typographical or other error in the printing of the offer, administration of the promotion or in the announcement of the prizes. WriteLine LLC is

not responsible for electronic transmission errors resulting in omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operations or transmission, theft or destruction or unauthorized access to or alterations of entry materials, or for technical, network, telephone equipment, electronic, computer, hardware or software malfunctions or limitations of any kind, or inaccurate transmissions of or failure to receive entry information by WriteLine LLC or presenter on account of technical problems or traffic congestion on the Internet or at any website or any combination thereof. If, for any reason, this promotion is not capable of running as planned, including infection by computer virus, "bugs", tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes beyond the control of WriteLine LLC which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of this promotion, WriteLine LLC reserves the right at its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers with the entry process, and to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the promotion. Caution: Any attempt by a participant to deliberately damage any website or undermine the legitimate operation of the contest is a violation of criminal and civil laws and should such an attempt be made, Sponsor reserves the right to seek damages from any such participant to the fullest extent of the law.

By submitting an entry, you acknowledge and agree that your entry is your original work and understand that it becomes the sole and exclusive property of WriteLine LLC and its subsidiaries, with the right to edit, modify, publish, broadcast, publicize, market submitted images at our discretion at anytime or otherwise use in any way the entry, your name and likeness, without further compensation to you whether or not judged a winner and you will provide written consent upon request.

Postcards from America and *Discover America Through Postcards* are registered trademarks of WriteLine LLC.

I accept the terms and conditions stated in this agreement.

Name: _____
Contestant (If under 18, then parent or legal guardian)

Date: _____

WriteLine LLC reserves the right to disqualify entries which do not conform to the above qualifications. Entries will be evaluated based on appeal, content and photographic skill.

How to submit your entry

You're ready to go.

Remember... each entry must include:

- 1) Photo (print or jpeg file)
- 2) Name of geographic location (site name, city/locale and state/province)
- 3) Photo caption of 50 words or less
- 4) Your email address. (Be sure to use the same email address you entered on this form. It identifies your entry throughout the process.)
- 5) The 3-page *Discover America Through Postcards Contest* entry form.

To submit an entry **via U.S. Mail**, send entries (prints or electronic files on Zip disks or CD Roms) to:

DISCOVER AMERICA THROUGH POSTCARDS®
Photo Contest
P.O. Box 777
Bethlehem, NH 03574

To submit entries **via Email** (specify the subject as "Photo Entry;" attach a photo jpeg or pdf file no larger than 4 megabytes; and include the required information in the body of the message) send to:

contest@postcardsfrom.com

Good Luck!

Discover America Through Postcards®

