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## Arbor Day 2024 Photo Contest

Arbor Day was founded by journalist and politician J. Sterling Morton in celebration of nature. The first Arbor Day occurred on April 10, 1872, in Nebraska. It's estimated that nearly one million trees were planted that day.

Today, in New Jersey, Arbor Day is celebrated on the last Friday of April. A popular tradition is to plant a tree in memory or to honor a loved one.

To celebrate Arbor Day and the recent award of a \$1 million grant from the USDA Forest Service to maintain the city's existing street tree canopy and plant new trees wherever possible, SustainableEHC, the city's green team, will hold its first-ever Arbor Day Photo Contest.

*"Other holidays repose upon the past;  
Arbor Day proposes for the future."  
J. Sterling Morton, Founder of Arbor Day*

### Contest Rules

- Contest open to Egg Harbor City students and community members, no professionals
- Categories: Middle, high school, adult
- Contest Theme: "The Art of the Tree"
- Photos must feature a tree(s), preferably one(s) growing in Egg Harbor City
- Submit entry form and photos in jpg format, landscape ONLY 10 MB or less on the sustainableEHC.org website at <http://www.sustainableehc.org/photo-contest.html>
- Limit up to two (2) submissions per person
- Submit your own work not published elsewhere
- Photo must have been taken in the last 12 months
- No AI generated or enhanced photos permitted
- If there are people in the photo, they must not be the main focus, and you must obtain a release

- Photos will be published on the SustainableEHC website and FB page
- By submitting photos, you are granting SustainableEHC the right to publish photos in promotional materials. Credit will be given to the photographer.
- Photos will be judged anonymously based on adherence to theme, impact and composition
- Judges: Brenda Ruth, Dave Griffin, Joe Bruno
- Ribbons awarded for age group category winners: first place, second place, third place, honorable mention; first place winners become eligible for Overall Winner Awards
- Overall Winner Awards: First place \$100, second place \$75, third place \$50, honorable mention \$25 gift card
- Public voting for Best in Show will be held at the Egg Harbor City Arbor Day Celebration, 3-6 p.m. Friday, April 26, 2024, at Peace Pilgrim Park, 500-block London Ave.
- Deadline for submissions April 15, 2024



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