

# CLAA 2023 Photo Contest Rules

Send any questions to [claaphoto@gmail.com](mailto:claaphoto@gmail.com)

## RULES

- Who may enter?** Any CLAA member or family member is eligible. There is no age limit.
- Any geographic limitations?** Photo must be taken on, or within 3/8 of a mile of Clark Lake.
- What makes a winning photo?** Photos will be judged on visual attractiveness and effectiveness of illustrating the CLAA SOS program.
- Do photos need to be from this year?** Yes; from Sep1 2022 through Labor Day 2023
- What format is acceptable?** Digital entries only. Photo size limited to 10 megabytes or less
- Is there a limit on number of photos?** Each person may submit only one photo.
- What if my photo is copyrighted?** No submissions should be of copyrighted material. We will not accept any member copyright request.
- What if my photo includes people?** Any individuals pictured in a submitted photo must have given permission to display their image. It is the responsibility of the person submitting the photo to secure this permission.
- Where will the photo appear?** Any submitted photo may be shared online . CLAA may crop or alter the photo to fit the page but the photo as originally submitted will be used for judging.
- What info do you need?** Each entry must include your Name, Email Address, and approximate Date of photo
- Any other clarification?** A one line explanation may be added to clarify how the photo relates to the SOS program. See page 2 for examples.
- What is the entry period:** **July 1, 2023 through Labor day 2023**  
Entry period may be extended at the discretion of CLAA
- How do I enter?** **Send an e-mail to [claaphoto@gmail.com](mailto:claaphoto@gmail.com) Indicate “2023 Photo entry” in subject line .In the e-mail include your name, e-mail address, approximate date of the photo and how it is relevant to SOS .**

### Limitation of Liability:

By submitting a photo the entrant agrees to all rules and restrictions including the limitation of liability. Limitation of liability: 2 By entering this content, You represent and warrant that your entry is an original work of authorship, and does not violate any third party’s proprietary or intellectual property rights. If your entry infringes upon the intellectual property right of another, You will be disqualified at the sole discretion of CLAA. If the content of your entry is claimed to constitute infringement of any proprietary or intellectual proprietary rights of any third party, You shall, at your sole expense, defend or settle against such claims. You shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless CLAA from and against any suit, proceeding, claims, liability, loss, damage, costs or expense, which CLAA may incur, suffer, or be required to pay arising out of such infringement or suspected infringement of any third party

## Examples OF SOS Relevant Photos

SOS is the CLAA program to involve individual members in preserving the lake and its shoreland. Here are several examples but the examples are not limiting . You can also include photos that demonstrate problem areas with opportunity for improvement **but limit these to your own property.** Be sure to include a one or two line explanation if needed to help the judges see the relevance.

**SOS Near shore (out to 4 foot depth)** – Low impact boating, buoys, bulrush, native plants, waterfront organized to limit width of impact on lake.

**SOS Shoreline (water's edge inland 35-75 feet)** , 35 ft. buffer, native plants , trees, shrubs limited viewing corridor, lightly disrupted shore, plants in rip rap, small projects replacing turf grass with native plants,

**SOS Uplands (out to 1000 ft. from lake)** reduced runoff( gutters, berms, alternatives to hard, compacted surfaces) Curb pollutants (maintenance of septic systems, disposal/recycling, correction of eroded surfaces) Capture and cleanse( rain garden, native plants , rain barrels, water diversion)

**Protected and sensitive areas:** protected shore such as Ridges, Dunes, designated sensitive areas, land trust.

**Bulrush** – Can include photos of bulrushes, or can show volunteers doing one of the studies, healthy or damaged, etc.

**Habitat Protection** – Habitats can include fish sticks, walleye reef, dead falls, trees on shore, bird houses, any bird, animal, turtle, amphibian, etc.,

**Protect from invasive species** – Examples include Clean Boats/ Clean Waters, Phragmites treatment, Invasive plant ID, effects of an invasive such as zebra mussels, etc.

**Community and Shared Responsibility:** maintenance, buoys, signs, docks, demo, , educational meetings, annual meeting, interaction with the townships, attending CLAA sponsored event, volunteer work and buffer buddies.

**Quiet/ Solitude/ Contemplative Nature:** sunrise, sunset, nature panorama, fall colors, clouds, etc.

**Wild side of nature:** thunderstorm, lightening, snow storm, ice shoves, flooding, etc.