

2025 Savings Bank of Walpole Photo Contest Rules

Calling all amateur or professional photographers:
Show us your best color photography!

Marking 150 years as a community bank makes this year's annual photo contest even more special! We're inviting local amateur and professional photographers to submit their best images for a chance to be featured in our calendar, website, and more.

Winning photos will demonstrate a strong focus on community events and people enjoying the venues, attractions and local businesses of New Hampshire and highlight the unique character and beauty of the state.

From Tuesday, April 1 through Saturday, May 31, 2025, photographers may submit five (5) entries to be considered for the 2026 community calendar, desk calendar, holiday card and note cards and/or five (5) entries to be considered for display on the websites for the NH Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries: Savings Bank of Walpole (SBW) Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVS), Merrimack County Savings Bank (the Merrimack) & NH Trust Company.

Photos should depict some aspect of community life in New Hampshire. For example, send us: a photo of what volunteering in NH means to you; a photo of your hometown hero (and why); and/or a photo of your favorite hometown parade. Other possible subjects might include community events (such as fairs/festivals, or local sporting events), local landmarks, areas of scenic beauty or seasonal pastimes (fishing, ice fishing, sailing, hiking, skiing etc.).

Honorarium for selected images:

A \$100 cash prize will be awarded to the photographer for each photo selected for inclusion in the community calendar, desk calendar, notecards or as determined by NH Mutual Bancorp or on any of our 5 websites or on our social media pages.

We will also be choosing 4 winter photos to use as our holiday cards. If your photo is chosen for a holiday card cover, you will also receive a \$100 cash prize. All winners are responsible for the payment of any federal, state and local taxes on the prize.

Number of Entries: You may submit a maximum of five (5) entries for consideration for the calendar, desk calendar, holiday card and note cards and a maximum of five (5) entries for consideration on the website and social media. Please note: the submission requirements for the calendar are different than the requirements for web submissions so please read these rules very carefully before sending in your submission(s).

Judging: Judging of all submitted photography will be "blind." The name of the photographer will not be known by the judging panel. Judging will be based on suitability of the subject, quality of the photography, and adherence to the purpose of the contest, which is to focus on community events and people enjoying the venues, attractions and local businesses of New Hampshire.

Participation: The photography competition is open to all photographers, amateur or professional. Employees of NH Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries (SBW, MVS, the Merrimack, and NHTrust) are not excluded from this competition.

To enter: Photos will be accepted electronically and may be uploaded by clicking on the calendar photo contest link at walpolebank.com/photo-contest. Electronic submissions must be in either JPEG, TIFF, or PNG format.

Official Rules may be downloaded from our website at walpolebank.com or picked up at any SBW branch office.

1. Assignment of Publication Rights. We cannot, by law, publish any photographs in our calendar, on our website or in other publications without the explicit permission of the photographer. If your photo is chosen, you will be sent a form that you must fill out prior to your status as a winner being finalized. If you do not submit the permission form, you will be excluded from the contest, and another winner will be chosen. These rights are nontransferable and apply only to those photos selected as winners of the contest. All other rights remain with the photographer.
2. Parental Release Form. If any of your submitted photographs features the face of a child under the age of 18, the child's parent or legal guardian must complete and sign this section giving us permission to publish a photo of their child in our calendar, website or any other publication. In order to protect the privacy and safety of children, we cannot consider any photos with children in them without receiving parental consent.
3. W9 Form. Winning photo participants need to submit a W9 BEFORE we mail you the check. A link to the form for downloading and printing can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Format for submitting photos for the calendars, holiday card and note cards:

Please observe the following specifications:
Digital photography must be at a minimum resolution of 300 DPI at 10"x8".

Photographs with slightly lower resolutions will be reviewed, but may be rejected. Full color images require higher resolutions to produce acceptable results.

Digital images must be saved in TIFF, EPS or JPG format.

Savings Bank of Walpole reserves the right to color correct and/or crop photo entries if necessary.

Format for submitting photos for the website and social media:

All submissions must be in color format. Black and white photographs will not be accepted for inclusion on the website.

Please observe the following specifications:

Winning photographs will be displayed on the homepage along the top of the page at the websites for NH Mutual Bancorp and its subsidiaries: SBW, MVSB, the Merrimack and NH Trust Company.

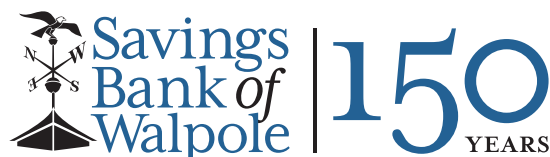
High-resolution digital images must be submitted at a minimum of 72 DPI (higher preferred) at a size of at least 5300 pixels wide x 1920 pixels high. NH Mutual Bancorp reserves the right to color correct and/or crop all photo entries if necessary.

Deadline: Entries must be received by the end of the business day on Saturday, May 31. Entries must be submitted electronically. Winners will be contacted in August.

No payment or purchase is necessary to enter or win. A payment or purchase will not improve your chances of winning. Void where prohibited by law.

Questions: If you have any questions, please call Danielle Ruffo, Assistant Vice President, Community Engagement and Marketing, at 603.355.1627 or by email, druffo@walpolebank.com.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:
Saturday, May 31, 2025



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