

MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL 2010 PHOTO ESSAY CONTEST

a Social Documentary Project

A photo essay is generally known as a series of related photographs focusing on a specific topic that is intended to be viewed collectively - often with captions. Western Nevada College, in collaboration with the Multicultural Festival Committee, is sponsoring a photo essay contest. The theme for the 2010 Festival is "Rhythms of our Community". One of the goals of hosting a Multicultural Festival is to raise awareness of diversity in our culture. To capture an aspect of this broad topic of diversity, we would like you to think about how rhythm is expressed in various communities.

THEME: Rhythms of our Community

The best photo essays will attempt to capture diversity in our local community with our chosen theme of rhythm as applied to your subject(s).

RULES & GUIDELINES:

- Must have a series of photos – between 4 and 8.
- Size of photos can be between 4x6 and 8x10.
- Must be mounted on (¼"thick) posterboard.
- Must have typed captions explaining key elements of the photo
- Must have a clear theme of rhythm and diversity
- Must be photos taken in Northern Nevada
- No professional photographs.

THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- What group, event, issue, or community is shown?
- What do you learn about it in the photo?
- What story are the photographs telling?
- What details in the photographs help to tell the story?
- What sort of response do you want the audience to have?

Judging will take place two weeks prior to the event. Winners will be notified. A panel of art and photography instructors, in addition to festival committee members will be judging the work. On the day of the event, we will give the festival participants a chance to vote for their favorite photo essay. Therefore, there will be a grand prize winner, a second place winner by the judges and a "People's choice" winner.

Grand Prize = WNC Scholarship for a 3 credit course and \$100 WNC Bookstore Gift Card

DEADLINE for Submissions: 5pm, Friday, April 16th, 2010. No late submissions.

Important: Submissions should have your contact information and be delivered to:

Western Nevada College
2201 W College Parkway
Dini Building – Student Center
Carson City, NV 89703
Attn: Shelly Bale

Contact:
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