

# Novel Noir Photo Contest

*Hosted by Canton Free Library  
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## **Agreement Form and Contest Rules and Regulations**

This contest is open to amateur photographers only, ages 16 and up. A professional is defined as one whose primary source of income (50%) or more results from his/her photographic work.

Theme: Novel Noir

The Noir genre is devoted to fictional crime stories that are dark and cynical. When used in film, the term refers to the stark contrasts of light and shadow in black and white cinematography that is often associated with popular detective films of the 1940's and 1950's (i.e. The Big Sleep) The genre is still popular, and newer examples are coined neo-noir, to include color films made in the 1970's onward (i.e. Blade Runner).

The Canton Free Library is asking you to envision your favorite novels and depict them stylistically through noir style photography. While using novels that already are noir themed (mystery, detective, crime) may make the task easier, it is also completely acceptable to use novels in other genres to influence your Novel Noir masterpiece.

How to Enter:

Please submit up to 3 photographs that are Novel Noir themed. Photographs may be emailed to [jhenry@ncls.org](mailto:jhenry@ncls.org) through Oct 23, 2021 . **Please include the following in your email:** your name, phone number, title of photo and novel you were influenced by. All photos must be in JPG format.

Photographs selected for the contest will be rated online from October 25-29, 2021. Selected photos will be displayed online at the Canton Free Library's website, <http://cantonfreelibrary.org> from November 1, 2021-December 3, 2021. Contest winners will be announced on the Library's website.

Prizes are sponsored by Brewer Bookstore and will be awarded as follows: 1st prize: \$50 gift certificate, 2nd prize: \$30 gift certificate, 3rd prize: \$20 gift certificate.

## Rules:

While we encourage our community to share their creative photos with us for display as part of the exhibit, no Canton Free Library employee or immediate family, no member of the Canton Free Library Board of Trustees or Friends of the Canton Free Library are eligible to win prizes.

Contestants must submit a signed entry form prior to the virtual exhibition.

Photographs must be suitable for a family environment.

All images must be submitted by the original contestant. By submitting an image, the contestant represents and warrants that:

- a. The contestant is the sole and exclusive owner of the image and has the right to license such image as provided herein.
- b. To the best of the contestant's knowledge the image does not infringe any copyright, trademark right, or right of privacy or publicity, and does not defame any third party.

It is the responsibility of the contestant to obtain written or verbal release for public use from all persons in the photograph submitted. The photographer accepts all liability from the use of a photo where this release has not been obtained. The Canton Free Library is not responsible or liable for implications resulting in the publication of any submitted photo.

Contest winners will be asked to grant to the Canton Free Library the use of their photograph and their name for promotional purposes without payment or additional compensation unless prohibited by law. In addition, by giving permission, you grant to the Canton Free Library a non-exclusive, perpetual, irrevocable license to use your photograph exclusively for the purposes of promoting the photography contest in the future.

## Permission:

I have read and understood the contest rules and regulations. The submission of my photograph, along with my signature below, indicates my acceptance of all rules, regulations, and releases associated with the contest.

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Printed Name	Date	Signature
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Printed Name of Parent/Guardian if under 18	Date	Signature of Parent/Guardian if under 18
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