

## United States Department of the Interior

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Cuyahoga Valley National Park 15610 Vaughn Road Brecksville, Ohio 44141-3097

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Dear Photographer,

The National Park Service is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016. In recognition of the Centennial, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, in partnership with Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, has planned several signature events developed to honor this milestone and engage the community in and around northeast Ohio in celebrating our local park.

One of the exciting programs we are working on is a collaboration with Akron Symphony Orchestra. On Friday, November 4, the audience at E.J. Thomas Hall in Akron will listen to the talented musicians of the Akron Symphony Orchestra while experiencing a visual montage of images from Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Designed to complement the orchestral pieces being performed, the visual component will be choreographed by Nicholas Bardonnay, Artistic Director and CEO of Westwater Arts, using images from Cuyahoga Valley National Park that we provide to him (henceforth ARTIST). Samples of Westwater Arts productions can be found on their website, www.westwaterarts.com.

We are inviting local photographers to share their talents and love of Cuyahoga Valley National Park by sharing their images.

Image criteria and process for submissions:

- 1. Images must be the intellectual property of person submitting them. Photographer retains ownership and unrestricted use of any photographs submitted.
- 2. All images must be digital format.
- 3. Images must have been taken within the boundaries of Cuyahoga Valley National Park.
- 4. Images should to be horizontal and at least 3,300 pixels wide by 2,200 pixels high in size. Files at 4,000 pixels wide or larger are ideal, since that provides ARTIST with enough resolution to crop the photos as panoramas. For all submitted photos, ARTIST may crop, color correct, and adjust images to fit the needs of visual piece.
- 5. All images should be in color. Black and white are accepted for historic photographs only.

- 6. Photographers will not be financially compensated but will be recognized in the concert program.
- 7. All images must be submitted by Friday, July 29, 2016.
- 8. Image files must contain first and last name of photographer, or where appropriate, organization name in the digital file name of each submitted photograph.
- 9. Each photographer is limited to 200 submitted images.
- 10. We are seeking images from the following main categories: flora, fauna, Cuyahoga River and waterways, landscapes, people and activities, farming.
- 11. Use of an image is determined by Artist. Not all images can be used. Images will not be used for another purpose without prior permission. No images will be returned.
- 12. To start the submission process, email cuva\_social\_media@nps.gov using the subject header Akron Symphony Project. You will receive a return email that contains a photo release and details on how to upload images to CVNPs ftp site.

Please contact Karen Kopchak at karen\_kopchak@nps.gov if you have questions.

Thank you for your consideration!

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