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Deadline for Steele Creek Park Wildlife Weekend Photography Contest Nears

Friends of Steele Creek Nature Center and Park (FSCNCP) is again sponsoring an amateur photography contest and show. The event will be held in conjunction with the annual Wildlife Weekend celebration at Steele Creek Park. Amateur photographers of all ages, including children and teens, are encouraged to participate. Eligible photographs must be taken at Steele Creek Park in Bristol, Tennessee and be focused on the natural aspects of the park. Prizes will be awarded, based on the general interest, creativity, and technical merits of the photographs. Professional and/or experienced amateur photographers from the Bristol area will serve on the panel of judges. All entries will be displayed at the Wildlife Weekend celebration, scheduled for October 11 - 12 at Steele Creek Park. This annual event features a variety of speakers, interpretive walks, and other activities relating to the natural history of the park and the region.

According to Robin Feierabend, Vice President of the Friends organization and photography show coordinator, "The Wildlife Weekend Photography Contest and Show is always a popular part of Wildlife Weekend. Every year the quality and variety of entries seems to increase. This is a great opportunity for us to promote the beauty and diversity of our park though photography. Most importantly, it’s an opportunity for park-goers of all ages to have fun through the creativity of photography and the wonder of nature."

FSCNCP is a nonprofit, volunteer organization whose primary purposes are to assist the Nature Center staff in educational, recreational, and research activities, to assist with the development and maintenance of park trails, gardens and facilities, and to preserve and protect the natural areas of Steele Creek Park.

The deadline for submitting photographs is Friday, September 27, 2013. Rules and application forms are available at the Steele Creek Park Nature Center, the Bristol Tennessee Department of Parks and
Recreation at the Slater Center on McDowell St., and Mountain Sports Ltd. on Commonwealth Avenue. Application forms may also be downloaded from the Friends website at http://www.friendsofsteelecreek.org, or may be requested by e-mail from mail@friendsofsteelecreek.org.

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