

The Belchertown Wildlife & Landscape Photography program is an intergenerational opportunity to participate in learning, exploration, and expression. It's a partnership between the Clapp Memorial Library, Town of Belchertown Planning Department, and Town of Belchertown Conservation Commission.

Belchertown Wildlife & Landscape Photography Workshops

Participants in the workshops will learn more about wildlife and landscape photography from photographer Mark Lindhult, who leads the Quabbin Photo Group. Youth-focused photo programs at the Quabbin will be exploratory. Meet other local photographers while learning new skills, build a portfolio of work, and then submit your top photos to the photo contest.

Upcoming Workshops

- → Photography Technique (adult), at Clapp Memorial Library on Saturday, February 24 from 2-3pm led by Mark Lindhult
- → Photography in the Field (adult), meet at Clapp Memorial Library and Shoot at Town Common on Saturday, March 2 from 2-3pm led by Mark Lindhult
- → <u>Teen Beginner Photography</u> workshop for teens & tweens @ Les & Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor's Center on Sunday, February 11 at 1pm led by Ed Comeau
- → Focus on Youth photo explorations for preschool through 4th grade with families @ Les & Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor's Center on Sunday, February 11 at 12pm led by Jennifer Whitehead

Belchertown Wildlife & Landscape Photography Contest

The photo contest is open to all Belchertown residents, including youth, teens, and adults, who may submit up to 3 images in either or both categories of wildlife and landscapes. These photos must have been taken in Belchertown, and indicate in the application where they were taken and other details about the images. Participation in the workshops is not required for the photo contest.

- → Here is a link to the Conservation department's listing of Belchertown's many conservation lands to explore and photograph: Town Conservation Lands
- → More details on the rules, terms, and conditions of the contest can be found here. You will have to download, sign, and then upload your signed copy to your application.
- → Submission portal for photo contest here: https://form.jotform.com/240284182706152

Belchertown Wildlife & Landscape Photography Exhibition

Judges, including artists and conservation leaders, will select the top three winners in each age group and wildlife or landscape category will be displayed at an in-person exhibition in May 2024 at the Clapp Memorial Library. An opening event and celebration will take place on Friday, May 3, 2024. All of the eligible photos submitted will be of top photo selections and online exhibition of all submissions tagged by location.

Belchertown Wildlife & Landscape Photography Exhibition at Clapp Memorial Library: May 1 - 31, 2024

Exhibition Opening & Awards Ceremony: May 3, 2024

