Calling all budding photographers! The Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership (CAVLP) are launching a seasonal photography competition to showcase the beautiful Clyde and Avon valleys. The final images may be used by CAVLP for exhibitions, postcards and a website to celebrate the natural and built heritage of the area.

Winners will be picked throughout the year after each seasonal closing date, as per below, with overall winners picked in September 2016. Each winning photographer will win a framed print of their photograph.

Entrants are invited to submit photographs on the themes below which highlight the unique landscape and cultural heritage during the changing seasons within the Clyde and Avon valleys.

**Entry categories**

**Autumn** (closing date 30 November 2015)
- Woodlands
- Orchards
- Designs in the Landscape
- Agriculture and Horticulture
- Industrial Heritage

**Winter** (closing date 29 February 2016)
- Woodlands
- Built Heritage
- Geology (Rivers and Rocks)
- Play
- Inspired by the Landscape

**Spring** (closing date 31 May 2016)
- Woodlands
- Wildlife
- Orchards
- Geology (Rivers and Rocks)
- Industrial Heritage

**Summer** (closing date 31 August 2016)
- Woodlands
- Wildlife
- Built Heritage
- Agriculture and Horticulture
- Play
Background

The Clyde and Avon Valleys Landscape Partnership is a Heritage Lottery Fund supported organisation which funds projects to enhance, conserve and celebrate the landscape and cultural heritage unique to this area.

The CAVLP area is centred on the mid-Clyde valley, as illustrated in the map below. It is recognised as an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV) in current Local Plans for its unique mosaic of characteristics including orchards, estates and ancient woodlands outstandingly rich in biodiversity, industrial heritage and geology.

It is well known for attractions such as Chatelherault Country Park and New Lanark World Heritage Site, but there are many, more hidden features of the landscape which make it special. This photography competition aims to capture the beauty of this diverse and somewhat mysterious landscape throughout the seasons.
Competition Details

- All ages and photographic abilities welcome.
- All images must have been taken in, or looking into the CAVLP Area of Great Landscape Value (see map on previous page) in the last five years.
- Both digital and print images are eligible for submission (format details below).
- Both panoramic, and black and white images are eligible for entry.
- If entrants would like the return of their prints after competition judging, postage or collection arrangements should be made.
- Photographic entries may be used by CAVLP in promotional materials such as website, printed materials and social media but copyright will remain with the photographer.
- Photography credits will be acknowledged.

Winning Entries

- Winning entries may be showcased on the CAVLP website and used in press releases to local media.
- Winning entries may be used to produce an exhibition stand highlighting the local distinctive landscape or postcards/posters for campaigns to promote the area.
- Winning entries may also be included in a CAVLP exhibition celebrating successes of the Landscape Partnership.

For more information on the Clyde and Avon Valleys, please refer to www.clydeandavonvalley.org.

Competition closing dates:

**Autumn: Midnight, Monday 30 November 2015**

**Winter: Midnight, Monday 29 February 2016**

**Spring: Midnight, Tuesday 31 May 2016**

**Summer: Midnight, Monday 29 August 2016**

Entries should be sent to info@clydeandavonvalley.com at the specifications as per below.

Judging

- Photographs will be judged by the CAVLP team, members of partner organisations and a professional photographer. Scoring will be based on creativity as much as technical skill.
- Winners will be notified within four weeks of the competition closing date and details published on the CAVLP website www.clydeandavonvalley.org.
- Participants will be sent details and invited to the awards ceremony after the closing date.
**Entry format**

Entries will be accepted in digital or print format according to the stipulations below.

**Digital**

Digital images should be emailed to info@clydeandavonvalley.com at the specifications as per below.

- Image files should be at least 2MB in size.
- Images should be submitted without watermarks, borders or signatures.
- File names are for your reference only. CAVLP will provide a unique identifying number for each image.
- Images should be emailed to the address above with a caption describing the entry.
- Each print should be identified in the email with a title and location of the entry as well as the entry category.
- Please make sure you retain exact copies of each image submitted.

**Print**

Physical prints according to the format below, should be sent to:

Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership, David Dale’s House, Rosedale Street, New Lanark, ML11 9DJ.

- Prints should be between 5” x 7” and 12” x 16”.
- Images should be submitted without watermarks, borders or signatures and do not require mounts unless you prefer them to have one.
- Each print should be clearly labelled on the back with your name, title and location of the entry as well as the entry category.
- Images should be sent to the address above with a cover letter containing a caption describing the entry and your contact details.
- Please make sure you retain a copy of each print.

If you have any queries about the competition, or require further information, please contact the Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership Team:

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