

Volunteer

Photographer

Position Description



Volunteer Photographers use their artistic vision and talents to photograph recreational opportunities and stewardship of Larimer County Department of Natural Resources along with capturing the natural beauty of our parks and open spaces.

Larimer County Department of Natural Resources
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Our mission is to establish, protect and manage significant regional parks and open lands providing quality outdoor recreational opportunities and stewardship of natural resources values. We are committed to fostering a sense of community and appreciation for the natural and agricultural heritage of Larimer County for present and future generations.

Position Summary:

Volunteer Photographers capture the story of Larimer County Department of Natural Resources (LCDNR). Photographers use the tools of their trade combined with strong artistic vision to document special events, volunteer activities, scenic and recreational shots as well as capturing the essence of Larimer County's amazing natural resources. Selected photographs are used in annual reports, promotional materials, newsletters, presentations, LCDNR's website and where a picture says more than words ever could

Benefits:

- Be an integral part of promoting LCDNR's mission and fostering stewardship values
- Showcase your photography talents
- Flexible schedule
- Participate in fun appreciation and social events
- Complete 20+ volunteer hours in a calendar year and receive a LCDNR parking pass



Photo by J. Sumrall-Ajero

Requirements:

- Required to submit a portfolio which must be reviewed and approved by staff before being accepted as a volunteer
- Must have experience with photography and editing
- Must provide your own camera and other equipment
- Good communication skills both written and verbal
- Takes initiative to schedule volunteer time
- Follows staff guidance and instructions for specific assignments
- Friendly, courteous and respectful
- Good physical condition: able to walk, bend, stoop, & carry
- Provide your own reliable transportation
- Understanding and acceptance of the potential risks for this volunteer role such as inclement weather, potentially dangerous rattlesnake or other wildlife encounters, and uneven terrain



Photo by B. Bombaci

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Duties:

- At least once a month, schedule time to photograph a LCDNR property or event
- Review and edit photos prior to submission
- Submit photos to online folder for use by LCDNR. Submit only the best photos
- Follow established conventions for naming or labeling photos
- Coordinate with Public Information or other staff on photography assignments including on LCDNR properties that are not open to the public
- Wear your volunteer name badge when volunteering and represent LCDNR in a professional manner
- Use offeror.larimer.org, LCDNR's volunteer software, to manage your volunteer schedule and complete Photography Site Visit reports
- Open & read emails from LCDNR announcing upcoming assignments & other information
- Display appropriate volunteer on-duty parking pass when at a fee site
- Abide by all rules, regulations and safety guidelines while on Larimer County property

Photography Use Conditions:

- Copyright will remain with the photographer. Larimer County will credit the photographer on the webpage, social media, or other media where it is used
- Larimer County may at its discretion crop, reduce, enlarge, darken, lighten, place text over, or otherwise alter the image to suit the form of media in which the photos is being used
- Larimer County is under no obligation to use or publish any submitted photograph that does not meet suitable standards or quality of subject matter
- Larimer County agrees not to sell any submitted image or give permission to anyone to use an image without prior written permission from the photographer

Training:

- New Volunteer Orientation (1 hour)
- Review Volunteer Photographer Submission Guidelines



Photo by R. Cerkoney

Schedule:

- Volunteer Photographers create their own schedule (year-round, weekdays & weekends, at locations that work best for their personal schedule, interests, and/or physical abilities)
- Specific photography needs will be requested on occasion and volunteer photographers may choose to assist with assignments that best fits their schedule, interests, and/or physical abilities

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Next Steps....

1. Submit a Volunteer application
2. Schedule an interview with Volunteer Engagement staff
3. Submit a photo portfolio for approval
4. Receive approval from staff
5. Attend Training
 - a. New Volunteer Orientation
6. Start volunteering!

Questions?

Contact Julie Enderby
Education & Volunteer Specialist
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The Larimer County Natural Resources Volunteer Program is not obligated to provide a placement, nor are you obligated to accept the position offered. Opportunities for volunteers are provided without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex or age. Larimer County is committed to equality of opportunity.