

4th Annual Achill Calendar Digital Photography Competition

In aid of St. Colman's Care Centre, Achill, Co. Mayo.

Who may participate?

This competition is open to everyone. You do not have to be an experienced photographer to enter. All you need is a digital camera, a bit of a creative flare and the desire to win the top prize of €500!

Entrance Fee:

A charitable contribution in the form of an entry fee of €10, for up to 3 images, is required. A person may enter as often as they wish. (please see rules and regulations).

Where Achill Begins... The Demographics:

The Achill Parish begins approx 2.5 miles from Mulranny on the road to Achill Island and approx 3 miles from Mulranny on the Curran Peninsula road. Signs on the left hand side of each road will welcome you to Achill. **Your photograph(s) can be taken from anywhere between these signs and the end of Achill Island and also on the smaller Islands of Achill Beg or Innisbiggle. They can be taken from onshore or offshore.**

Judging:

The photographs will be judged an independent panel of judges.

The prints will be judged on the following criteria

1. Originality of the picture idea
2. Photo content and treatment of the subject matter
3. Composition and presentation
4. Suitability for inclusion in the calendar, which is produced in A4 landscape format

The Prizes:

There will be prizes awarded for:

- * 1st - €500
- * 2nd - €250 voucher for photography equipment at a specialist retail outlet
- * 3rd - High quality Digital Camera 8.0+mps
- * An additional non-cash prize will also be awarded to the top entry received from participants under 18 years. (Under 18 years on Nov 01 2011)
- * Small non-cash prizes for runners up
- * A special prize will also be awarded for the top School's group entry

The best 13 photographs will be printed in the 2013 edition of the Achill Calendar which will be on sale to the general public by May 2012. All competition entries will be displayed throughout 2012 at the St Colman's Care Centre in Achill.

How to enter:

To enter this competition, all you need to do is to *read the rules and regulations, complete an entry form and submit it with €10.00, an A4 print of your photograph(s) together with a JPEG High Resolution file of the photograph(s) on a CD or DVD* addressed to: **Photography Competition, St Colman's Care Centre, Keel, Achill, Co. Mayo**

Closing date for entry is November 4th 2011. Entries must be postmarked before this date.

Finalists will be notified by post or email and will be published in the Mayo News Newspaper by 31.01.12.

About St Colman's Care Centre:

St. Colman's Voluntary Committee was established in 1986 to develop and manage health care and personal social services for older and disabled people on Achill Island. The organisation has since remained responsible for the provision of a comprehensive network of care services and social programmes supporting the older population of the Achill parish.

St. Colman's Care Centre is operated in co-operation with the Health Service Executive West, FÁS, and partnership organisations and is supported by the Achill community. Over the years St. Colman's has proved a vital resource to the social development of the island. A whole generation of older people have already benefited from quality care and support in their own community. Current services include day care, meals on wheels and a broad range of social programmes and healthy ageing initiatives.

The aims of the service are:

- * **To provide** therapeutic and social facilities for older people, in order to improve their health and well-being.
- * **To provide** care and support for those with chronic illness, so as to allow people to live as independently as possible within the community.
- * **To provide** advice and support to families and carers.
- * **To promote** active and healthy ageing by providing access to a range of opportunities, information and advocacy.

St Colman's Care Centre, Achill Calendar 2013 Digital Photography Competition

Rules and Regulations

1. The Achill Calendar is produced in A4 landscape format. It is advisable therefore that all photographs be taken in landscape format so that they are suitable for publication in the calendar.
2. The judging panel will be an independent group chosen by the organisers of the competition and the decisions of the panel will be final. No correspondence will be entered into under any circumstances in relation to the results of the competition.
3. Each entry (maximum 3 images) must include a non-refundable contribution of €10.00, payable by Cash, Cheque or Money Order to St Colman's Care Centre - (Registered Charity no. CHY16473). Payment can only be accepted in Euros. Each entrant will be issued with a receipt sent by email to the email address provided on the entry form.
4. A person may enter the competition as often as he/she wishes.
5. All entries must be received on or before 4th November 2011. No entries will be accepted after this date.
6. Participants must submit A4 print(s) of the submitted photograph(s) in full colour, un-mounted and unframed, attached by a paper clip to the entry form.
7. Each print submitted must have a LABEL ON THE BACK, with the photograph title, when and where the image was taken, name and address of entrant, telephone no. and email address. No personal information will be used outside of its necessity for the competition.
8. Each entry must include copies of the photograph(s) in JPEG High resolution format on DVD or CD that can be opened and processed on standard computers. *Images cannot be accepted by email.*
9. The submitted photograph(s) must be accompanied by the relevant entry form. The entrant must be the author of the photograph(s) submitted. ***The photograph(s) must not have been published previously in any form.***
10. The entrant must obtain any releases or authorisations required, which are the sole responsibility of the entrant. If a photograph contains a readily identifiable person as a subject, the entrant must ask permission to use their image(s) and have them, or their parent or guardian, sign the waiver on the entry form.
11. The entrant must certify that nothing exists that may interfere with their entering the photograph(s) in this competition or granting of authorisations to use the photographs in the calendar or otherwise.
12. The photograph(s) submitted must not be defamatory, offensive or obscene or violate or infringe on the trademark, copyright, publicity, privacy or other rights of any third party.
13. In submitting photograph(s) to this competition the entrant irrevocably grants to **St Colman's Care Centre, Achill Island** and its employees, officers and assigns (hereinafter referred to as "RELEASED PARTIES"), the right to use, reproduce, adopt, distribute, alter, publish and publicly display the photograph(s) that are the subject of this Agreement for any purpose in relation to the promotion, distribution and sale of the Achill Calendar, and to attach the entrant's name to the photograph(s).
14. All entry forms, submissions, photographs, cd's and dvd's will be retained by the organisers of the competition, but will only be used by them under the terms of these Rules and Regulations.

Achill Calendar 2013 Digital Photography Competition Entry Form

PHOTOGRAPHER'S CONSENT, WAIVER OF LIABILITY, INDEMNITY AND RELEASE

I, _____[name of photographer], have read the Rules and Regulations and agree to comply to them in full. I also agree to pay **€10.00** in the form of a charitable contribution made payable to **St Colman's Care Centre** (Registered Charity # CHY16473) by Cash, Cheque or 'an post' Money Order. I understand that this **€10.00** contribution allows me to submit **up to three** photographs with each entry form.

I understand that at all times **I remain the exclusive owner of the copyright** in every photograph I submit with this entry form.

Notwithstanding the above, I irrevocably grant to **St Colman's Care Centre, Achill Island** and its employees, officers and assigns (hereinafter referred to as "RELEASED PARTIES"), the right to use, reproduce, adopt, distribute, alter, publish and publicly display the photograph(s) that are the subject of this Agreement for any purpose in relation to the promotion, distribution and sale of the Achill Calendar. This Agreement is entered into in consideration of my participation in the competition and publication of my name in a photographer credit in connection with any publication of such photograph(s) by the RELEASED PARTIES.

I warrant and represent that each photograph, the subject matter of this Agreement, is original to me in all respects. I am the sole and exclusive owner of the copyright in the photograph(s). No part of them is taken from or based on any other work; no part infringes the copyright or any other right of any person; the use by the RELEASED PARTIES of the photograph(s) in any form whatever will not in any way, directly or indirectly, infringe on the rights of any person.

I waive any right to inspect or approve any finished product, before use by the RELEASED PARTIES under the terms of this Agreement. I release and discharge the RELEASED PARTIES from any liability by virtue of any blurring, distortion, alteration, optical illusion or use in composite form, loss or damage, whether intentional or otherwise, that may occur in the processing or preparation of the finished product.

I agree to indemnify the RELEASED PARTIES from and against any and all loss, damage, costs, charges, legal fees, recoveries, judgments, amounts paid in settlement, penalties, and expenses that may be obtained against, imposed on, or suffered by the RELEASED PARTIES by reason of (1) any violation or infringement of any proprietary right or copyright; (2) any libellous or unlawful matter contained in the photograph(s); or (3) any invasion of privacy or trespass in the taking or publication of the photograph(s) from any use that may be made of the photograph(s) by the RELEASED PARTIES. I also agree to indemnify the RELEASED PARTIES for any such amounts arising from my breach of any covenant, representation, or warranty of this Agreement.

I declare that I am eighteen (18) years old, or older, and am legally competent to execute this Agreement or that I have acquired the written consent of my parent or guardian.

I understand that the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital, that this instrument is legally binding, and that I have voluntarily signed this document

I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS, BY READING THEM, BEFORE SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT.

Name (BLOCK CAPITALS please): _____

Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Signature of entrant: _____
(or that of parent or guardian if under 18)

If a photograph contains readily identifiable person(s), I have included all names, addresses and telephone numbers of such persons below, along with their signature of consent to waive liability, indemnity and release.

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Photograph no. 1 Title: _____

Location: _____

Date: _____

Photograph no. 2 Title: _____

Location: _____

Date: _____

Photograph no. 3 Title: _____

Location: _____

Date: _____