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# News Release



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## Okefenokee NWR Announces Photography Contest Winning Photo Featured on the 2021 Refuge-Specific Annual Pass

Folkston, GA... The Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge is announcing the annual nature photography contest, where the winning photograph will appear on the 2021 refuge-specific annual pass. Nature photography is unmatched at Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge with beautiful landscapes, abundant wildlife, and unique flowering plants.

The refuge will accept entries from amateur, non-professional, photographers only. Entries must be received by September, 15 2020 to be eligible. All photo entries must be taken on the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge. The winning photo will be featured on the 2021 refuge-specific annual pass and may also be used in promotional materials for the refuge. For a full list of rules and entry information, please visit the refuge website at [www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee).

And...back by popular demand, the refuge is hosting a Fall Nature Photography Workshop with John Reed. Although after the submission period for the photo contest, this one-day instructional and hands-on workshop is a great way for photographers from beginner to expert to practice or refine their skills with an award-winning local photographer. The workshop will be held on Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Cost for the one day workshop is \$60, register in advance by emailing [Okefenokee@fws.gov](mailto:Okefenokee@fws.gov).

Get outdoors, bring your camera, and visit the refuge today!

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The Suwannee Canal Recreation Area is the main entrance to the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and is located 11 miles southwest of Folkston, GA off Hwy 121/23. Entrance fees are \$5 per vehicle/\$1 per bicycle for a daily pass (good for 7 days). Annual passes are also available. The refuge is open daily and offers a variety of opportunities for the visiting public. Call 912-496-7836 or visit the refuge website at [www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee) for hours of operation, upcoming events, and entrance fee information.

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