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Harrisburg, Craig Douglas Gephart

Wrightsville Bluebird, Dan Walczyk View near Swatara Creek, Amy Spangler

Marietta Hosts Susquehanna Photo Contest Winners

See the Susquehanna as you've never seen it before when the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership's *Treasured Towns & Landscapes Photo Contest Gallery* comes to the Marietta Art House December $1^{st} - 16^{th}$. The fifteen winning images feature stunning landscapes, unique wildlife, and treasured river town scenes that were captured by local photographers, and selected by a panel of professional judges from over 300 submissions to win this annual photo contest.

Local photographer Daniel Walczyk, of Wrightsville, captured a winning wildlife image of a lone bluebird enjoying a river view for the 2nd annual contest. Enjoy Amy Spangler's winning landscape image taken near Swatara Creek from the 1st annual contest. Al Holliday, of Camp Hill, and Craig Douglas Gephart, of Mechanicsburg, both captured winning images of the river through Harrisburg for the 1st annual contest and these local scenes will be also be on display.

The Marietta Art House is located at 316 East Market Street, Marietta and you can enjoy the images during their gallery hours: Wednesday – Saturday, 12:00pm – 5:00pm and Sundays 1pm-5pm until December 16th. The winning photos will also be on display during the 47th Annual Candlelight Tour on December 2, when the Marietta Art House participates in this traditional holiday walking tour. While you're at the Art House, be sure to enjoy the other local artwork on display, or pick up a holiday gift at the Gallery Art Shop.

Additionally, you're invited to enter your photos of life along the Susquehanna River in this year's Photo Contest. Subjects can include: Scenic landscapes, wildlife, recreation, history, culture, arts, river town life, or scenes with friends and family. Just for Kids: Hershey's Track and Field Games has sponsored a special category for youth 18 and under to share their Susquehanna photos!

"When you hear "Susquehanna" we all imagine something different and unique," says Erin Pierce, Program Coordinator. "We want to see photos that tell your special stories of the Susquehanna and that celebrate the river and her towns as places to enjoy and treasure. This contest is a great excuse to grab your camera and head outside to explore and capture what you see and experience."

Submit your images online at <u>www.susquehannagreenway.org</u> now until February 1, 2013.

Cash prizes of \$150, \$100, and \$50 will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each category. The winning images will be framed and displayed around the state next year.

The Susquehanna Greenway is a corridor of connected trails, parks, river access points, and communities, linking people to the natural and cultural treasures of the Susquehanna River and its West Branch. Over 500 miles in the length, the Greenway is one of our state's greatest resources, conserving the environment for all living things, and creating recreational opportunities for healthy communities.