



# John's Picture Perfect Contest

John Hawkins,  
Club CEO

WIN A  
**\$25** TARGET  
GIFT CARD

"This picture was taken on vacation at the Albuquerque Museum of Natural History two years ago. I call it 'You Don't Scare Me.'"

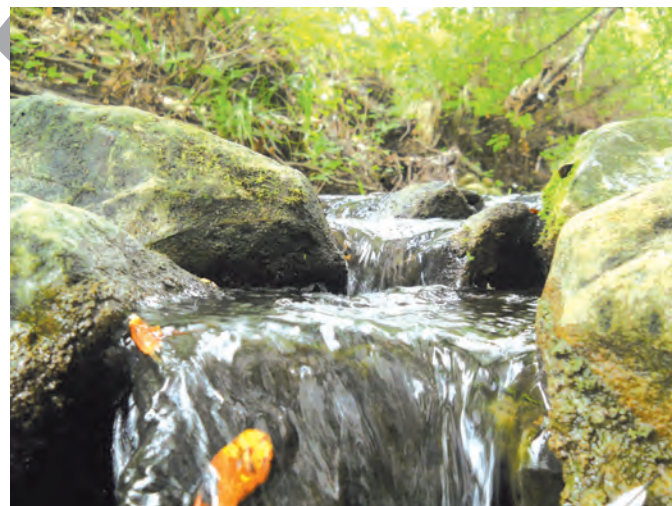
– Douglas Dow

**John's comment:** Ha! I love this picture; the expression on your little boy's face says it all! Nice work, Douglas!



"I was hiking at Buck Gully Reserve in Newport Beach when I looked over and saw this beautiful creek along the trail, so I walked over, put my foot on a rock, and leaned over as much as I could, to get a close-up. This is my best shot."

– Aden Gomez, Club Member since 2003, son of Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager



**John's comment:** Aden, you are a chip off the old block! The colors are extremely rich, the depth of field you captured gives it an almost 3D effect, and you were able to show the water in motion with just the right shutter speed. Nice work!



Here is a shot that Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager, took of his son, Aden, taking this picture.

"Our little cowgirl. This picture captures my three-year-old niece, Jacqueline Mia, exhausted at the stables after a long day of horseback riding."

– Rebecca Pereida-Lantz, LAPD Communications Division

**John's comment:** How cuuute! That is just simply a precious photo, Rebecca, simply precious! Thanks for sharing!



"On our way home from the American River Resort, I saw this beautiful tree. My husband was driving, but I was determined to get a picture of it. I got it... but I also managed to get a road sign in the shot, too!"

– Yuri Zaich, Personnel

**John's comment:** The road sign is perfect; it fits perfectly. It's almost saying, pass this tree with car." I love it! Thanks, Yuri!



"This is a picture of City Hall taken June 5. The picture was taken with my cell phone."

– Renee Ramirez, LAFD

**John's comment:** Renee, you really captured the beauty of City Hall in this picture, with the blue sky, puffy clouds and the rich greenery of its landscaping. Nice shot, and the fact that it was with your cell phone is even more amazing!

"I took this picture from the headquarters, across City Hall from the seventh floor. I work for Central Division."

– Juanita S. Campos

**John's comment:** What an intriguing photo, Juanita! It has a very retro feel to it, mixed with a side of film splicing. Thanks, Juanita. I just love this shot!



"I took this picture from inside a hospice, where my co-worker, Dion, is resting. He's not doing too well. I wish him comfort, peace and blessings."

– Cecille Consebido, Public Works/Sanitation

**John's comment:** What a peaceful photo, and it's even more peaceful knowing your friend, Dion, gets to view this as he is resting. Thank you, Cecille.



## RULES:

- The contest is open to all Club members in good standing. Non-members are welcome to submit, but only Club members are eligible to win the monthly prize.
- If your photograph does not win, you are welcome to re-submit.
- Winners are chosen by Club staff. All decisions will be final.
- You must certify (if asked) that you indeed took the picture. No ringers!

- Photos can be submitted either on paper or digitally. Please don't send both.
- If you want your print photo returned, please write your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.
- Photos can be of any subject matter: vacation, portraits, families, landscapes, still lifes, pets, etc. Subject matter must be appropriate for *Alive!*

- Paper prints can be mailed to: Picture Perfect Contest, *Alive!*, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
- When you send digital photos through the Internet, please send the full, original digital file yourself, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print.

- We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com
- The contest is all in good fun: The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering *Alive!*, or for delays in the transmission of responses.