



Community Photography Show at the Mercer Island Community Center Gallery

August 24 through October 16, 2026

Open to All Mercer Islanders 18 and over

Community Reception

Wednesday, August 26, 5 - 7 PM at the MICEC

8236 SE 24th Street, Mercer Island, WA 98040

Community Center Hours:

9 AM – 7 PM Monday-Thursday

9 AM – 5 PM Friday & Saturday

2026 MIVAL Community Photography Show at MICEC

Whether you're a seasoned photographer or someone who simply loves capturing moments on your phone, this community photography show is for you. All skill levels encouraged to participate. Open to all Community Members 18 and over.

Show us what you see and what interests you. We're looking for images that reflect spirit, people, and places seen through your unique perspective. This is an opportunity for you to share your photos of Mercer Island, your travels, or whatever else has inspired you.

We encourage you to bring framed work if possible, and we will also have a "community wall" where prints produced from your submitted jpegs will be displayed all together. This is a public space so no images that are unsuitable for children please. The final decision for whether a piece is displayed will be made by the curator/display

committee. Cellphone cameras produce good images so don't stress over cameras and lenses. The remainder of the MICEC wall space will be available for larger framed photographs.

ENTRY GUIDELINES: There are two entry categories. You may enter either or both.

Category A - Jpeg Submissions:

Use the online registration to enter information about you and your photos. MIVAL will produce prints from your Jpeg files suitable for the community wall. A maximum of 4 files per person please. When emailing your JPEGs, send them at the best resolution, don't downsize in your email. *There is a \$20 entry fee to enter up to four jpeg images.*

Be prepared with your jpegs when you register. Please email your Jpegs after you register. When sending your jpegs please include **"For Photography Show"** in your subject line. Submitted files should be titled as follows:

LastName_FirstName_title.jpg. Email your Jpeg photographs to jamescarlson@mival.org.

Category B – Framed submissions:

For those MIVAL members and Islanders with printed and framed photographs, these will be displayed on interior walls of the Community Center. We **encourage** all styles and sizes that *are ready to hang**. Please be sure to put your name and title on the back of your framed work. **You may enter one or two pieces.** *All work must have hanging wire on the back. *There is a \$20 entry fee for up to 2 framed works.*

SALES:

You have the option of selling your photograph(s) if there is interest from a visitor to the show. All sales will be handled by MIVAL. The photographer will receive 75% of the sales price. If a piece is sold, the photographer will be notified. 8X10" prints of submitted JPEGs will be made available for sale at \$20 ea. **MIVAL will handle all sales.**

ENTRY FORM DEADLINE: **August 7, 2026**, complete with payment and Jpegs.

ENTRY FEE: \$20 for each category. A link for payment is at the end of this registration form.

[ONLINE REGISTER HERE:](#)

<https://forms.gle/RVGgqwZ8BfBgBBX38>

UPLOAD/DROP-OFF/CHECK-IN:

JPEGs must be uploaded during online registration. There is a maximum of 4 files each no larger than 10MB.

Framed photography to be dropped off on August 22, 11 - Noon, at

Mercer Island Community Center
8236 SE 24th Street, Mercer Island, WA 98040
Saturday, August 23, from 11am to Noon

ART PICK-UP: All framed photography must be picked up on **Saturday, October 17, from 10 to 11 AM** unless prior arrangements have been made.

TIMELINE SUMMARY:

- August 7** Last day for event registration and jpeg submissions (Sunday)
- August 22** Framed prints - Check-in, 11 – Noon at Community Center (Saturday)
- August 24** First Day of Show at the MICEC (Monday)
- August 26** Artists Reception at the Mercer Island Community Center 5 – 7 PM
- October 16** Last day of Show (Friday)
- October 17** Framed Print pick-up 10 – 11AM (Saturday)