

## **MD-DC Breeding Bird Atlas Photo Contest – Second Round**

Last fall the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS) announced a photo contest for pictures of the breeding birds of Maryland and the District of Columbia for the new 2002 - 2006 Atlas. The new Atlas, to be published by the Johns Hopkins University Press, will have a color photograph of each breeding bird. The winning photographs will carry a credit line in the Atlas. This new announcement accompanies a list of specific species for which either no photographs were submitted or the judges felt they would like additional photographs from which to judge a winner. We are also revising the rules for submitting photographs and adding a file naming protocol.

### **Contest Rules:**

Each contestant may **enter only two photographs per breeding bird**. Once again winners will be selected on the basis of originality, technical execution and their potential for helping readers gain **an appreciation of the spirit of the bird**. Fledglings and females are welcome. While birds may be photographed for this contest outside of Maryland or DC, in the event of a tie, preference will be given to the bird photographed in Maryland or DC.

### **Who is eligible?**

The contest is open to all Maryland and DC residents and to members of the Maryland Ornithological Society. A panel of editors will choose the winners. However, in the event there is a tie for any given bird, preference will be given to a photographer who is a member of the Maryland Ornithological Society.

**When to submit?** The deadline to submit is **August 31, 2008**.

**Use of Images.** By entering a photograph in the contest you grant MOS and Johns Hopkins University Press (JHUP) the right to use and publish your photos in the Atlas without compensation. You also grant MOS and JHUP the right to use and publish your legal name online and in print, or any other media, in connection with the contest and agree that any image submitted may be used by the MOS and JHUP for marketing and promotional purposes, including any media such as exhibitions, print and digital media directly related to the Atlas without compensation.

**How to submit.** While photographs may be initially submitted in a low resolution digital format, if the photo is chosen the winner, the photographer must be able to submit the photograph in high resolution digital format – 300 dpi JPEG format, no smaller than 5” x 7” - this is approximately 1500 x 2100 pixels in some software. All digital files should be submitted on one compact disc using the file naming protocol provided. MOS will not return CDs. All questions regarding the file naming protocol should be directed to Bill Ellis (billellis at (@) ellislist dot (.) com). Address all other questions and entries to: Karen Morley, 2719 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21218 410 235-4001