



Rockford Public Library

## Merrill Markoe Author Visit Photo Contest Rules & Prizes

The Rockford Public Library (RPL) invites you to enter the *Merrill Markoe Cutest Dog Photo Contest*. You must read the following rules, terms and conditions **before** submitting any photos.

### Eligibility

The contest is open to all anyone at least 13 years of age, except employees, relatives of employees and contractors of Rockford Public Library. The contest is open to all participants regardless of residence or library card holder status, as the laws of their jurisdiction allow participation. If you are under 13 years of age and would like to submit a photograph, you will have to ask a parent or guardian to do so on your behalf.

**All photographs must be taken and submitted of your own pet.**

### Rights

An entrant **must** hold all rights to a photograph he or she submits to the contest. Individuals submitting photos into the contest retain full rights to their photos, including ownership, but through the act of participation (entering a photo into our contest and tagging those photos with the appropriate contest tags) will also grant to RPL, a non-exclusive, worldwide, irrevocable, royalty-free license to reproduce, distribute, and display the submitted photos which might include, by example, methods listed below:

The right to publish the image in any format, including on the web and in print publications or presentations, such as newsletters, brochures, fundraising appeals, public service announcements, grant proposals, reports, awards, thank-you cards, displays, mailings and invitations.

The right to use the photo's title, your name, city, state, and country of residence in our publications.

The right to keep the files provided, and to archive the images on CD or in other electronic forms, so that your photos can be used to support our mission and be properly credited.

We reserve sole rights to eliminate and/or delete photographs that we deem to be objectionable or of dubious provenance. No prior warning or notification will be required of RPL and is done at RPL's sole discretion.

RPL will reserve the rights to change or modify all text associated with a photo entered into the contest. This would include titles of the photo, accompanying descriptions, and tags.

### Deadline

Submissions for the Photo Contest will be accepted between **May 16th, 2012 and June 13, 2012**. Winners will be announced at the Merrill Markoe Author Visit on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Maddox Theater, Rockford College. You need not be present to win!

### Contest Awards

Prizes will be awarded to the photos which receive the most votes. The number of prizes and awards will be determined by the number of sponsored prizes received by RPL for this promotion and will not be known until the day of the event. You need not be present to win!

*Rockford Public Library has, at its sole discretion, reserved the right to terminate, suspend, or modify the photo contest.*