



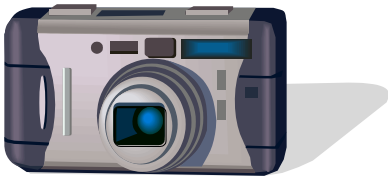
**A SPECIAL INVITATION:  
ENTER OUR 2013 PHOTO COMPETITION  
TO CELEBRATE HAMILTON AND ITS TEN TWIN CITIES**

**Hamilton**

The City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Mundialization Committee are pleased to announce a photo competition to celebrate the City of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada and its ten twin cities, Shawinigan (QC), Mangalore (India), Kaga (Japan), Fukuyama (Japan), Racalmuto (Italy), Valle Peligna (Italy), Ma'anshan (China), Flint (MI), Sarasota (FL) and Monterrey (Mexico).

The theme of the photo competition, "Hands Around the World", reflects the spirit of harmony and international goodwill promoted by the Hamilton Mundialization Committee. All photos must be submitted digitally and must have been taken by a resident of Hamilton or one of its twin cities, in any one of the 11 named municipalities. A maximum of one entry per category will be accepted from each entrant.

Entries may be submitted in the following categories:



- 1) **Images of Peace** - Create original work using any one or combinations of visual symbols or representations of peace.
- 2) **Hands Around the World (Places & Spaces)** - Capture the essence of one of the cities so people will want to learn more and visit.
- 3) **Special Bonds (People)** - Showcase people of these cities, exhibiting the essence of friendship and cultural understanding.

An independent judging panel comprised of local photographic professionals and community members will review the photographs based on technical quality, artistic composition, texture and light, and overall representation of the theme.

An overall winner will be awarded the grand prize of \$500. Additional prizes in the amount of \$100 each will be awarded in the other categories (2), as well as an optional prize (1) for a municipality, if warranted in the opinion of the judges. The winners will be announced at an event at the conclusion of judging.

The deadline for receipt of entries is **September 30, 2013, at 4:30 p.m. (EDT)**. Electronic entries may be submitted online at [www.hamilton.ca/PhotoContest](http://www.hamilton.ca/PhotoContest). Compact disc entries (CD) may also be submitted by mail to the following location:

City of Hamilton  
Customer Service, Access & Equity Division  
Attn: Carolyn Bish  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton ON Canada L8P 4Y5



Complete contest rules and details are available at [www.hamilton.ca/PhotoContest](http://www.hamilton.ca/PhotoContest)