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**Downtown Norfolk Council Selects Winners of Guide Cover Contest**

*Winners to be featured in the 2014-2015 Guide to Downtown Norfolk*

**Norfolk, VA** (May 16, 2014)—The Downtown Norfolk Council (DNC) engaged the Norfolk community with a contest aimed at amateur and professional artists, designers and photographers seeking images for the cover of the 2014-2015 Guide to Downtown Norfolk. Nearly 100 images were submitted through email and on Instagram using the hash-tag #NFKContest. Submissions were accepted until March 15.

“We were ultimately looking for great images of our city from the perspective of our community and received so many unique images that we designed a cover using more than one winning photo from the contest,” commented Mary Miller, President & CEO of the Downtown Norfolk Council. “The contest attracted contestants from around the Hampton Roads region, and we were thrilled with the response and passion for downtown Norfolk.”

**Three winners have been selected and notified:**



**First Place, Peter Squicciarini:** \$400 cash and a \$50 gift card to a Downtown Norfolk restaurant.



**Second place, Suping Li:** \$100 cash and \$50 gift card to a Downtown Norfolk restaurant.



**Third place, Stephen Halley:** \$50 gift card to a Downtown Norfolk restaurant and Downtown Norfolk drink tumbler.

Two of the winning images will be featured on the cover of the Guide and the third place winner will be featured inside the publication. Two of the winning images will be featured on the cover of the Guide and the third place winner will be featured inside the publication. Two additional photos from the Contest submitted by Mario Marasigan and by David Richardson will be featured inside the Guide as well.

All submitted images are property of Downtown Norfolk Council, through the Guide to Downtown Norfolk Contest, for use for advertising or other promotional purposes. Submitters not selected for the current Guide to Downtown Norfolk were afforded the opportunity to have their work featured in future DNC projects, marketing materials through a photography release.

The 2014-2015 Guide to Downtown Norfolk is approximately 60-pages and serves as a resource for visitors, residents and workers to navigate everything downtown has to offer. The guide highlights downtown Norfolk restaurants, businesses, attractions and includes a detailed map. 20,000 copies will be printed and first distributed to DNC members and guests at the Downtown Norfolk Council Annual Meeting on June 18, 2014. The Guide to Downtown Norfolk will then be distributed at key locations throughout downtown and beyond.

To request the 2014-2015 Guide to Downtown Norfolk, please contact [tboone@downtownnorfolk.org](mailto:tboone@downtownnorfolk.org).

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