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2011 COASTAL MARIN PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

San Rafael, CA – Three talented local artists have won a spirited competition focusing on the importance and beauty of the Marin Coast. Scott Johnson, Dianne Arrigoni and Carlos Porrata took top honors out of more than 500 entries in the 2011 Coastal Marin Photography Contest. The contest was organized by the Marin County Community Development Agency (CDA) to call attention to the update of the Local Coastal Program, which is currently underway. Contest judges included Marin County Supervisor Steve Kinsey, along with local professional photographers Ben Nixon and Marty Knapp. Contestants submitted photos representing the following subjects: the scenic coast; ways people use the coast; and coastal wildlife.

After careful review and consideration of all entries received, the contest judges have selected the following top three winning photos:

Winners:

- 1st Place: “*Inverness, Tomales Bay, CA, 2010*” by Scott Johnson
- 2nd Place: “*South of Arch Rock*” by Dianne Arrigoni
- 3rd Place: “*The Point Reyes*” by Carlos Porrata

Prizes:

- Grand Prize: Signature Massage from **Cavallo Point** in Sausalito.
- 2nd Prize: Two-hour kayak rental for two people from **Blue Waters Kayaking**.
- 3rd Prize: \$25 Gift Certificate to **Marin FilmWorks**.

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The Marin County Community Development Agency would like to congratulate our winners and thank everyone who helped make the 2011 Coastal Marin Photography Contest an overwhelming success. This includes all contest participants who submitted their beautiful photos of the coast, our gracious judges who spent significant time carefully selecting the winning entries, and the local vendors who donated generous prizes for the event.

The winning photos can be viewed online at <http://www.flickr.com/groups/marinlcp/>, and will soon be on display at Osteria Stellina in Point Reyes Station. If you have further questions, please contact Alisa Stevenson, Assistant Planner, by phone at (415) 499-7309 or by email at astevenson@co.marin.ca.us.

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