



**Blooming Steel**  
WILLIAM HUTCHINGS  
Beaverton

When I saw this photo of the blooming trees offset by the Steel Bridge, it reminded me of springtime in the South where I grew up, when the dogwood trees would radiate their white brilliance. In this photo, the beauty of one of Portland's many great bridges frames the beauty of nature.  
—Cshea Walker, Advertising Representative



**Pawsing to Say Hi**  
ANDREA MUNSON  
Portland

What a great shot! I can't even believe that this bear is real. This guy is so cute. "Give me five," he says. I give this photographer five claws up. It's pawsitively perfect.  
—Kari Tate, Advertising Representative



**It Wasn't Me, Really!**  
LELINDA BOURGEOIS  
Anchorage, Alaska

I picked this picture as my favorite because it reminded me of my dog, Acelee, when she was a puppy. She is so cute, I just want to pick her up and hug her and let her lick my face.  
—Austin Ault, 8-year-old son of Kari Tate



**Backstage at the Rendezvous**  
INDI MCCASEY  
Seattle

Perhaps it's a glimpse of night life with our Pets category winner; I think I spot some secret sideburns in the mirror maze corner. She's suave like that in quite a clever snapshot.  
—Katy Maehl, Production Assistant

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