

UKCA (PAPHOS) ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2009/2010

(Organised by the UKCA (Paphos) Camera Club)

RULES

- 1) The competition is open to all members of the UKCA (Paphos) Club. All entrants must be paid-up members at the time of entry and presentation.
- 2) Each photograph must be the entrant's own property, and must have been taken by the entrant him/herself. All photographs must have been taken on or after 1st September 2009.
- 3) All photographs submitted must be printed on paper which is not larger than A4 or smaller than A5. Commercially printed entries will be acceptable. Images may be "cropped" to suit the subject, providing they are printed on paper within the max/min size requirements. *(Please remember that this is a photographic competition, therefore badly focused or poorly printed photographs, and/or the use of inferior paper(s), may result in the judges rejecting otherwise excellent entries.)* The Camera Club reserves the right to exclude from judging any entries deemed to be offensive.
- 4) Photographs should not have an overlay, i.e. a cardboard "window-mount" (or similar) on the front. However, backing card is permissible providing the card does not exceed the size of the paper.
- 5) There will be four Sections (see page 3) which will be judged independently of each other. An engraved trophy, to be held for a year, will be presented to the winner of each of Sections 1, 2(1) and 3. Permanent replica trophies will also be presented. In addition signed certificates will be awarded to all first, second and third places in all four Sections/Categories.
- 6) Original medium may be "film" or "digital".
- 7) The Camera Club will appoint a member to supply a Unique Reference Number (URN) to each entrant upon submission of the completed Application Form. Application Forms will be available for download, and copies will be placed in the UKCA Club foyer from the beginning of September 2010. Full details regarding entry procedures will be found on the form.
- 8) The relevant Section, Category (if applicable), Title (if wished) and entrant's URN must be shown on the back of each photograph submitted. *Please take care not to press too hard since this may mark through and spoil the photograph.*
- 9) Each photograph or portfolio (see Section 2, Category 1) must be accompanied by an entry fee of €1. Entry fees may be cash or cheque, please make any cheque(s) payable to "UKCA Paphos".
- 10) Photographs, accompanied by the relevant fees, should be placed in a sealed envelope and may be submitted at any time during UKCA Club opening hours from 1st October 2010 onwards. A large secure box will be placed in the club foyer for posting entries. Entries may also be submitted by mail - please mark your envelope "Photo Competition".
- 11) Closing time and date for receipt of entries is 9.00 pm on Monday 1st November 2010. No entries will be accepted after this deadline – there will be no exceptions.

12) Judging by a team of 3, chaired by a member appointed by the Camera Club, will take place during early November. Judges will know the Section, Category (if applicable) & Title of all photographs, but will not know the identities of the relevant photographers. The judges' decisions will be final and not open to discussion under any circumstances.

13) A Presentation Evening will be held at the UKCA (Paphos) Clubhouse on Thursday 25th November. All entries will be exhibited for viewing before and after the presentations. Winning entries will be announced during the evening and prizes, trophies and certificates will be awarded to the winners.

14) It is the individual entrant's own responsibility to ensure that photographs are entered in the correct Section/Category.

15) The Camera Club may ask to use any photographs entered into the competition for promotional material intended to further the aims & ambitions of the Club. Any such use will be credited to the relevant photographer.

16) In Section 2 the term "Advanced" should be taken to include professional, ex-professional and serious amateurs. (*"Advanced" entrants should not submit photographs in Section 1!*)

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Competition Co-ordinator 2010

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Section 1 - Amateur.

Each Amateur entrant may submit up to 3 photographs in each of the following four Categories. (ie a maximum total of 12 photographs.)

- 1) **Portrait** *People only.* (Posed/un-posed, individuals/groups etc – please be sure to obtain parents' permission before taking any photographs of children.)
- 2) **Cyprus Landscape** (Including seascape/scenery)
- 3) **Open** (Anything, anywhere)
- 4) **Typical Cyprus** (Industry, Culture, Lifestyle, History etc)

Photographs will be judged against each other in each Category to determine the four winning entries. Second and third places will also be chosen.

The four winning entries will then be judged against each other to determine the overall UKCA (Paphos) Amateur "Photograph of the Year". The entrant submitting the overall winning photograph will be awarded an engraved trophy.

Any "Amateur" winning a total of two, or more, from any of the Categories in Section 1 (not necessarily in the same year) will be expected to enter the Advanced Section in subsequent competitions. This will automatically include any winner(s) of the amateur "Photograph of the Year" competition.

Section 2 - Advanced.

This section is intended to showcase the talent within the Club, and to be an inspiration to those just starting on their photographic journey!

Members may enter either or both of the following Categories

- 1) **Portfolio** (Must contain six Photographs) Each Advanced entrant may submit a maximum of two portfolios. (*Note that each completed portfolio should be accompanied by a single entry fee of €1*) Photographs may be of any subject(s) but will be judged as a portfolio. Entrants who would like to have their portfolio(s) titled, and/or laid out in a specific pattern for judging and exhibition, are asked to include a note to this effect. The entrant submitting the winning portfolio will be declared the UKCA (Paphos) "Advanced Photographer of the Year" and will be awarded an engraved trophy.

Highly Commended and Commended places will also be selected.

- 2) **Open** (Anything, anywhere)

Maximum three photographs. All entries will be judged against each other to determine the overall winner. Second and third places will also be chosen.

Section 3 – Open to all.

Creative Digital Magic

Maximum three entries. Each entry must start off with one or more true photographs of any subject. Other than that it may contain all the wizardry of computer manipulation. Photographs will be judged against each other to determine the winning entry. The winner will be presented with the "Brian Crawford Trophy."

Second and third places will also be chosen.

Winners may be asked for a disk showing "layers" etc.

Section 4 – Open to all.

Humorous Photograph.

Maximum three photographs. Any topic & style will be acceptable (but keep it clean!) All entries will be judged against each other to determine the overall winner. Second and third places will also be chosen. Certificates will be awarded for first, second and third places.

Make the judges laugh!