



2018 Sony World Photography Awards Exhibition Somerset House, London - April 20 – May 6, 2018

- Featuring **Candida Höfer**, Outstanding Contribution to Photography recipient
- Tickets available at www.worldphoto.org/2018exhibition
- Press images available from www.worldphoto.org/press

London: This April, stunning contemporary photography returns to Somerset House, London with the 2018 Sony World Photography Awards Exhibition.

This major new exhibition will feature more than 600 inspirational images from across the Sony World Photography Awards, the world's most diverse photography competition. It will also include three rooms of outstanding works by celebrated German artist **Candida Höfer**, recipient of the Awards' 2018 Outstanding Contribution to Photography prize.

[2018 Sony World Photography Awards](#)

Curated by Mike Trow, former Picture Director, British *Vogue*, the presented winning, shortlisted and commended images have been specially selected from a record-breaking 320,000 submissions to the 2018 Awards, and will cover a wide variety of genres; from architecture to landscape, street photography to wildlife, portraiture to travel.

With all images having been taken in or commissioned for 2017, many of the works in the exhibition are being shown for the first time, providing audiences a true insight to the photographic trends that have shaped the last year.

[Candida Höfer, Outstanding Contribution to Photography](#)

Candida Höfer is one of the world's foremost contemporary photographers. The artist is renowned for her precise methodology and technique, and her powerful portraits of vast, empty interiors are held in collections around the world.

In celebration of Höfer's contribution to the medium of photography, 10 trademark large format photographs have been personally selected by the artist to be shown at Somerset House. This includes three of Höfer's most notable pieces – Musée du Louvre Paris XXI 2005, Hermitage St. Petersburg VIII 2014 and Trinity College Library Dublin I 2004.

Tickets and artist prints

Tickets for the exhibition are on sale now at www.worldphoto.org/2018exhibition. For the third year running, the exhibition's artworks have been printed and framed by our Official Exhibition Partner, theprintspace. In addition, theprintspace have facilitated an online print store via their creativehub web app. This gives exhibition visitors and the online community the opportunity to purchase their favourite artworks from the exhibition as fine art prints and have them delivered within 48 hours. A curated collection of images are available to buy now at the online store.

shop.worldphoto.org.

2018 Exhibition Book:

The official 2018 exhibition book features the incredible winning and finalist images from this year's competition and will be available at the bookshop at a discounted price of £25 (RRP £39.98). It also includes a special collection of works by *Outstanding Contribution to Photography* recipient, Candida Höfer, alongside an essay on her career.

2019 edition

The 2019 Sony World Photography Awards opens for entries 1 June, 2018. All entries are free at worldphoto.org/swpa

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LISTINGS

- **Title: 2018 Sony World Photography Awards Exhibition**
- **Dates: 20 April - 6 May**
- **Opening Times: Monday - Friday, 10am-9pm / Saturday - Sunday, 10am-8pm**
- **Venue: Somerset House, London, WC2R 1LA**
- **Ticket Price: £6-£18**
- **Book tickets at www.worldphoto.org/2018exhibition**

NOTES TO EDITORS

About World Photography Organisation

The World Photography Organisation is a global platform for photography initiatives. Working across more than 180 countries, our aim is to raise the level of conversation around photography by celebrating the best imagery and photographers on the planet. We pride ourselves on building lasting relationships with both individual photographers as well as our industry-leading partners around the world. The World Photography Organisation hosts a year-round portfolio of events including the Sony World Photography Awards, one of the world's leading photography competitions, and PHOTOFAIRS, international art fairs dedicated to photography with destinations in Shanghai and San Francisco. For more details see www.worldphoto.org.

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About Somerset House

Inspiring contemporary culture

Somerset House is a new kind of arts centre in the heart of London, designed for today's audiences and creatives. Offering a diverse and dynamic public programme of contemporary arts and culture, we are also a home to a large community of creative businesses, artists and makers, including [Somerset House Studios](#). One of the city's most spectacular and well-loved spaces, we are a place where art and culture is imagined, made and experienced by our 3 million visitors every year.