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SONY WORLD PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS 2020

EXHIBITION CANCELLED DUE TO CURRENT SITUATION

The World Photography Organisation has today released the following statement:

In consideration of the health and safety of our staff and visitors, following UK government advice and in consultation with Somerset House, the World Photography Organisation has decided to cancel the Sony World Photography Awards 2020 exhibition which was scheduled to go on display from 17 April - 4 May 2020.

We are continuing to monitor the situation and are working with Somerset House to try and find alternative dates for the exhibition to run at a later time.

If you have booked a ticket to the exhibition Somerset House will be in touch as soon as possible should you wish to have a refund. Please contact visitor@somersethouse.org.uk for any ticket enquiries.

The Sony World Photography Awards 2020 ceremony is still scheduled for 9 June and will be continually assessed in light of developing events. An updated schedule of winners announcements is included below.

The World Photography Organisation and Sony appreciate the huge impact this will have on our community of photographers and are working hard behind the scenes to bring you a varied programme of online events. The World Photography Organisation will be reaching out to all photographers recognised in this year's awards and together create content which celebrates their work.

Upcoming press announcements:

ZEISS shortlist and winner
31 March

Open shortlist and category winners
15 April

Overall winners of the Professional, Open, Student and Youth competitions
9 June

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NOTES TO EDITORS

ABOUT SONY WORLD PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS

Produced by the World Photography Organisation, the internationally acclaimed Sony World Photography Awards is one of the most important fixtures in the global photographic calendar. Now in its 13th year, the free-to-enter Awards are a global voice for photography and provide a vital insight into contemporary photography today. For both established and emerging artists, the Awards offer world-class opportunities for exposure of their work. The Awards additionally recognise the world's most influential artists working in the medium through the Outstanding Contribution to Photography Awards; previous recipients include Martin Parr, William Eggleston and Nadav Kander. The Awards showcase the works of winning and shortlisted photographers at a prestigious annual exhibition at Somerset House, London. To book tickets please visit worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards-exhibition

ABOUT WORLD PHOTOGRAPHY ORGANISATION

The World Photography Organisation is a global platform for photography initiatives. Working across up to 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, leading international art fairs dedicated to photography. For more details see worldphoto.org. Follow the World Photography Organisation on Instagram (@worldphotoorg), Twitter (@WorldPhotoOrg) and LinkedIn/Facebook (World Photography Organisation). Our hashtags to follow are #sonyworldphotographyawards #swpa.

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