The World Photography Organisation has today released the following statement:

Following an assessment of recent developments including restrictions on international travel and large gatherings, the World Photography Organisation has made the decision to cancel this year’s Sony World Photography Awards 2020 ceremony which was scheduled for 9th June.

The overall winners of this year’s competitions will be announced on 9th June, as originally planned. Winners will be revealed across The World Photography Organisation and Sony’s online platforms and channels.

The World Photography Organisation recognises the impact this has on our community of photographers and in response launched the Stay Connected page. Featuring varied online initiatives, activities and resources, Stay Connected aims to support and inspire audiences while celebrating the work of winning and shortlisted photographers.

Upcoming press announcements:

Open shortlist and category winners
15 April

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

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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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