NATIONAL AWARDS 2021
WINNERS ACROSS 51 COUNTRIES ANNOUNCED

The World Photography Organisation is delighted to reveal the National Award winners for the Sony World Photography Awards 2021.

The National Awards program is an initiative set up by the World Photography Organisation and Sony to support local photographic communities around the world, with 51 countries taking part this year.

Over 330,000 images from 220 territories were submitted to the Sony World Photography Awards 2021 and over 165,000 were entered to the Open competition (from which the National Awards winners were selected).

All National Award winners receive Sony digital imaging equipment.

The overall winners in the Student, Youth, Open and Professional competition of the Sony World Photography Awards 2021 will be announced on the 15 April 2021 via the World Photography Organisation’s digital and video platforms. For more information about winners and shortlists please visit www.worldphoto.org
This year’s National Awards winners are:

Argentina - Dante Mogni 
Austria - Michaela Steiner 
Bangladesh - Sabbir Hossen 
Bulgaria - Eniz Karadzha 
Cambodia - Sean Channal 
Chile - Ramón Rodríguez 
Croatia - Tomislav Veic 
Czech Republic - Zdeněk Voš'Neill 
Denmark - Sussi Charlotte Alminde 
Estonia - Höije Nuuter 
Egypt - Abdelhamid Fawzy Tahoun 
Finland - Matti Virtanen 
France - Lauriane Bieber 
Germany - Astrid Susanna Schulz 
Greece - Thoedoros Apeiranthitis 
Hungary - Krisztna Kovács 
Iceland - Viktor Einar Vilhelmssson 
Italy - Davide Giannetti 
India - Shreejit Borthakur 
Indonesia - Hardijanto Budyman 
Japan - Yukihiro Ono, Winner 
Japan - Hiroki Nose, 2nd Place 
Japan - S. Muramatsu, 3rd Place 
Kuwait - Naser Alomari 
Latvia - Janis Palulis 
Lithuania - Simas Bernotas 
Mexico - Brian Mena Laureano 
Myanmar – Min Min Zaw 
Nepal – Prajwal Battarai 
New Zealand - Murray Chant 
Norway - Emil Wieringa Hildebrand 
Philippines - Donell Gumiran 
Poland - Kamila J. Gruss 
Qatar - Ila Al-Mushaifri 
Romania - Cristina Venedict 
Russian Federation - Evgeniy Ivanov 
Saudi Arabia - Naif Albugami 
Serbia - Vladimir Zivojinovic 
Singapore - Wong Chek Poh 
Slovenia - Aljaž Žnidaršič 
South Africa - Azelda Olivier 
Sri Lanka - Isira Sooriyaarachchi 
Sweden - Shal Apeloig 
Taiwan - Hui Pin Lai, Winner 
Taiwan – Chia Jung Chou, 2nd Place 
Taiwan – Yu Liang Chueh, 3rd Place 
Thailand - Saowanee Suntararak 
Turkey - Mehmert Aslan, Winner 
United Arab Emirates - Mireia Vilaplana 
United States - Patrick Mueller 
Vietnam - Tuan Nguyen Quang

IMAGES AVAILABLE AT WORLDPHOTO.ORG/PRESS

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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 14th 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, Mary Ellen Mark, Candida Hofer and Nadav Kander.

SONY WORLD PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS COMPETITIONS
The Sony World Photography Awards 2021 competitions include:

- **Professional competition** - Judged anonymously on a body of work, 10 categories to enter, including a newly introduced ‘Environment’ category.
- **Open competition** - Judged anonymously on a single image, 10 categories to enter.
- **Youth competition** - Judged anonymously on a single image responding to monthly themes, for photographers aged 12-19.
- **Student competition** - For academic institutions, a body of work responding to one brief on the theme of ‘Invisible Lines’. Shortlisted photographers then submit a series of images responding to a second brief.
- **National Awards** - All images entered into the Open competition are automatically considered for the National & Regional Awards programme which celebrates local photographic talent in more than 50 countries and is judged anonymously upon a single image.
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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