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HELLO COLLEAGUE,

FOR THIS FIRST ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE U-TO-P, I PRESENT THE RESULTS OF W.P.C, THE GREAT GLOBAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

IN THIS EDITION, YOU CAN DISCOVER THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE WINNERS AS WELL AS THE FINALISTS FROM ALL PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES.

YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO JUDGE THESE PHOTOS AND TO STIMULATE YOU FOR THE NEXT WOLD CUP.

AS YOU WILL SEE, QUALITY PHOTOGRAPHY IS NOT DEAD, IT HAS BEEN RENEWED WITH DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY, PHOTOGRAPHY IS NO LONGER THE PREROGATIVE OF AN ELITE, BUT A VECTOR OF COMMUNICATION, WHICH IS NOT NOT SUFFICIENTLY DEFENDED BY OUR RULERS.

WE MUST ADMIT THAT PHOTOGRAPHY IS EVOLVING IN MANY DIRECTIONS, BUT ONE THING IS CERTAIN: THE ONLY WAY WE HAVE TO GO IS THE QUALITY, THE INVENTIVENESS THAT THE DIGITAL ALLOWS US TO REALIZE, WE MUST STIMULATE OURSELVES TO MORE OF CREATIVITY, LET OUR IMAGINATION TAKE OVER OUR FEARS AND FEARS, WE WILL NEVER BE TOO CREATIVE OR TOO CRAZY IN OUR IMAGES

I HOPE THAT READING THIS MAGAZINE WILL BENEFIT YOU AND YOU WILL APPRECIATE IT, THAT YOU GET A LOT OF INFORMATION, AND THAT THE PLEASURE OF READING IT STIMULATES YOU.

IN ADDITION, I INTRODUCED THIS YEAR THE "EUROPEAN BOOK PRIZE" WHICH IS A EUROPEAN COMPETITION FOR PUBLISHING PHOTOGRAPHIC BOOKS OPEN TO THE WHOLE WORLD, YOU WILL DISCOVER THE DIFFERENT WINNERS AND THEIR PUBLICATIONS.

ENJOY THIS RELEASE AND I WISH YOU GOOD VISION.

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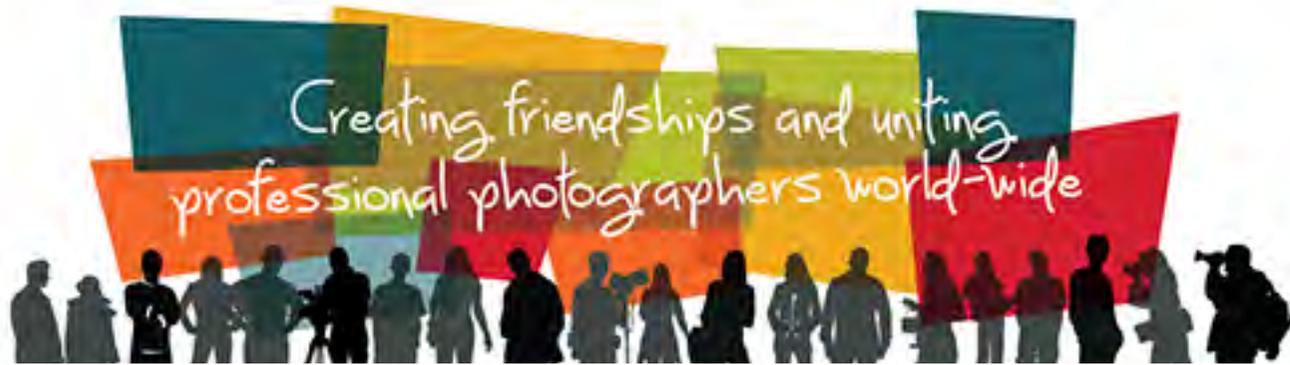
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Creating Friendships and Uniting Professional

Photographers World-Wide

Since its beginnings, photography as an art has brought people together. So it is not surprising that there is a special bond between photographers – regardless of where they come from.

The brotherhood and sisterhood of photography is a bond that transcends language, culture, and geography.

That's the foundation behind the World Photographic Cup, an one of a kind international team competition created in 2013, celebrating photography in a way never dreamed of before.

Sure, there are lots of other competitions, but there is just one World Photographic Cup.

How does it work?

The World Photographic Cup is a competition teams of photographers representing their home countries.



World Photographic Cup 2018

Each country is allowed to enter one team.

Each team develops its own process for choosing images to enter.

Teams may enter up to three images in each of six categories:

Portrait

Wedding

Commercial (including advertising, architecture, industrial, fashion)

Illustrative/Digital art

Reportage / Photojournalism

Nature (Landscape / Wildlife)

Teams may choose to enter the images of a single photographer in multiple categories.

However, no single photographer may have multiple images entered into a single category.

Gold (1st), Silver (2nd), and Bronze (3rd) medals will be awarded to the individual creator in each category.

Teams are awarded points based on aggregate score of top ten placements in all categories.

The World Photographic Cup will be awarded to the national team which receives the highest score.

Commercial



Onni is an Advertising Photographer and Digital Artist from northern Finland. He is specialized in advanced composite photography and retouching. He's humorous style and high quality has been recognised internationally and winning him multiple awards around the world. In 2015 he was awarded the title of Master Qualified European Photographer MQEP, the highest recognition by Federation of European Photographers. In 2018 he was awarded the coveted title of FEP European Professional Photographer of the Year.



Onni Wiljami Kinnunen, Finland WPC Commercial Gold Medal 2018



Ben Shirk, USA WPC Commercial Silver Medal 2018



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Ben Shirk is an internationally award winning professional photographer. Growing up in a log cabin near a small rural farming community of Wilton Iowa he spent his days exploring the woods, swimming in rivers and developing his imagination.

Today his stunning images are known worldwide for the creativity and depth of storytelling.

Ben operates a thriving studio out of that same small farming community attracting clients from across the US creating dynamic images of athletes, children, and families.



BRONZE

I'm Andreas Varro, photographer and digital artist from Sweden.
I work commercially and help businesses to develop ideas and concepts and I visualize those concepts with digital images.
I use my camera and Photoshop as my main tools to convey my concepts.
I also do a lot of personal projects and art in the form of social satire.

Andreas Varro, Sweden WPC Commercial Bronze Medal 2018





Felix Alejandro Hernandez Rodriguez, Mexico WPC Commercial Finalist 2018

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The work of Felix Hernandez has been published in magazines such as Retouched Magazine, Docma Germany, Digital Camera, Digital Photo, DSLR Photography, Good Light Magazine, Cuartoscuro, among others and in digital media such as: Fstoppers, Wired, Petapixel , 500px, DIY Photography, Retouching Academy, Daily Mail, El Pais, Bored Panda, Adobe Creative Mag etc...

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Igor Sakharov was born in 1964 in Moscow region. He has studied advertising photography in Germany. He has more than 20 years experience in advertising photography and now he is one of the most well-known photographers in Russia.

Igor Sakharov is member of Federation of European Photographers and earned many awards for his outstanding images.



Igor Sakharov, Russia WPC Commercial Finalist 2018

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In a younger age, during my studies at the university I began scribbling graffiti to my notepad. After some time I swapped the walls with monitor screen and spray cans with graphic tablet. After 10+ years working in the advertising industry I was self drawn into photography which become my trully passion. At the moment my biggest focus is on the product and advertising photography where my creativity flow and I can do my best. Loving to learn new technics and to try new things. My biggest achievement so far is the gold medal in commercial category in World Photographic Cup 2017 – Yokohama, Japan.

Dušan Holovej, Slovak republic WPC Commercial Finalist 2018



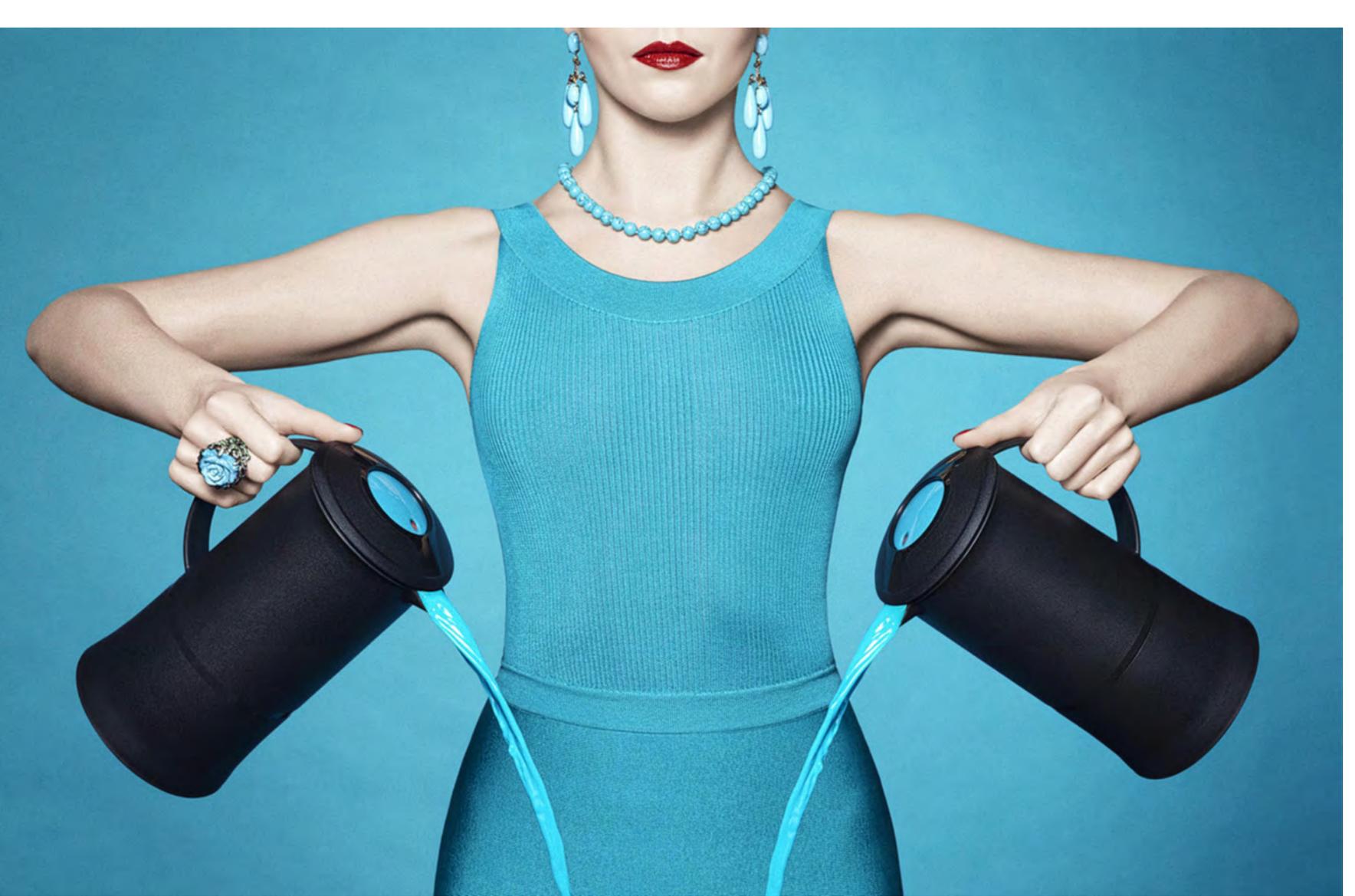
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Brent Lewis, USA WPC Commercial Finalist 2018

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I am a Master Photographer who started into photography, just as hobby taking pictures of my kids. In an attempt to improve my skill, I joined Professional Photographers of America and started endeavoring in International Print competition. There's nothing better than capturing the unique beauty of God's magnificent creation



Andrei Bronnikov , Russia WPC Commercial Finalist 2018

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seriously fascinated by photography in 1995, Andrei Bronnikov works in various genres, including – landscape and scientific photography. And since 2000, he became known "glossy" and advertising photographer, and the general public to sign numerous works for the "Channel" and Russian film projects

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I am essentially a Still Life and Product photographer who arrived into the business as an amateur..So I still pursue photography for the love of it and the piece that has made it to the final of the World Photographic Cup is an image I created to challenge myself with lighting and design.

I am always playing with ideas and creating personal work on a regular basis,Skills that are picked up on personal work are of course transferred to the commercial work... so all in all, a great arrangement.

Vincent O'Byrne, Ireland WPC Commercial Finalist 2018

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Angela Miller, Australia WPC Commercial Finalist 2018



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Angela Miller's freelance work includes food, interiors, product and people. Formally trained in Melbourne as a Graphic Designer, her transition into commercial photography was a natural process. Angela brings experience in Art Direction to her editorial style and the ability to create beautifully crafted and timeless images, full of natural aesthetic. She is an Associate of both the Australian Institute of Professional Photography and internationally renowned WPPI. Recently awarded 2017 AIPP Australian Commercial Photographer of the Year and 2018 WPPI First Place Creative Commercial; capturing the essence of life is always at the heart and soul of her work.

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GOLD

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Eduardo Gomez, Mexico WPC Illustrative Silver Medal 2018

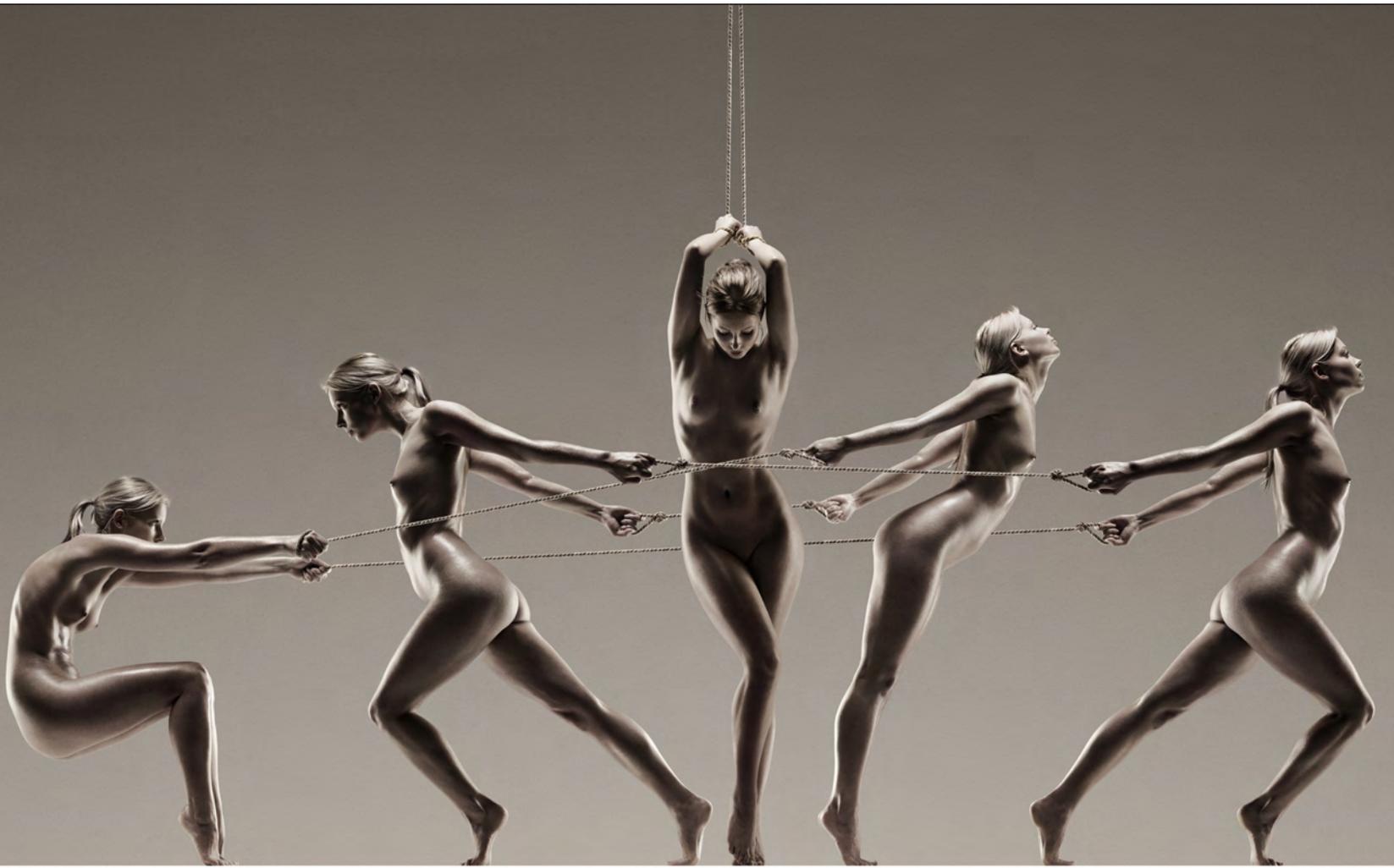
My personal work is mostly about conceptual portrait and artistic nude with a taste for dark, mystery and surrealistic themes. I also enjoy digital manipulation to create places and different scenarios, inspired in dreams, vintage movies, gothic literature, mythology and art.

In the case of female subjects i love to give them a strong dominant look and enhance their beauty, like a diva from Hollywood combined with female characters from mythology.

In case of male subjects i love to characterize them as in the victorian, 19th century period.

So i don't do portraits of people, i like to transform people into characters according how i imagine them.







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Diamantino Jesus, Portugal WPC Illustrative Finalist 2018

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Diamantino Jesus is a photographer working with Diego Freitas as DDiArte since 2003.

After several experiences in the field or digital photography, we discovered the ideal means to express our creativity – Digital Photography artistically touched up.

Within the context historiography of art, the use of photography, and more specifically, touching up photographs, is nothing new. We do however aim to innovate somewhat, in terms of the themes on which our work is based. Regardless of the fact that our main source of inspiration is mythology, up-to-date theme of others that are the simple fruit of our creativity, still remain full of details, of symbols, of images, an attempt to captivate but mainly, as an attempt to stimulate critical thought in viewers

While some of our work can be seen as satirical in a globalized world, yet still full of differences other examples can be seen as purely scenic, to be contemplated at will. If some shout out against discrimination at the same time they pay indelible homage to beauty.

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Daniel Murphy, Australia WPC Illustrative Finalist 2018



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" My passion for photography started about 20 years ago coinciding with my desire to travel,with the predominant body of my work being of a travel nature.

Combining writing and photography enabled me to produce several written articles published in various photgraphic magazines in Australia and New Zealand.

Of more recent times my Photoshop skills progressed after completing tuition at Photography Studies College in Melbourne and my work started to take on a more conceptual/illustrative nature where I felt a little more challenged in re-creating surreal scenarios that simply came from personal imagination."

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Andreas Varro, Sweden WPC Illustrative Finalist 2018



„José D Almeida was born in 1965 in Lisbon but considers himself a “provincial” world citizen and in fact, with no age because for him it is not a result of algebraic sum or chronological, but a state of mind.

He graduated in Design / Graphic Arts School António Arroio, but it is a man of all trades.

Painter and Self-taught photographer, exhibits since 2001, having already counted with several solo and group exhibitions in the Painting and Drawing.

Jose D'Almeida, Portugal WPC Illustrative Finalist 2018





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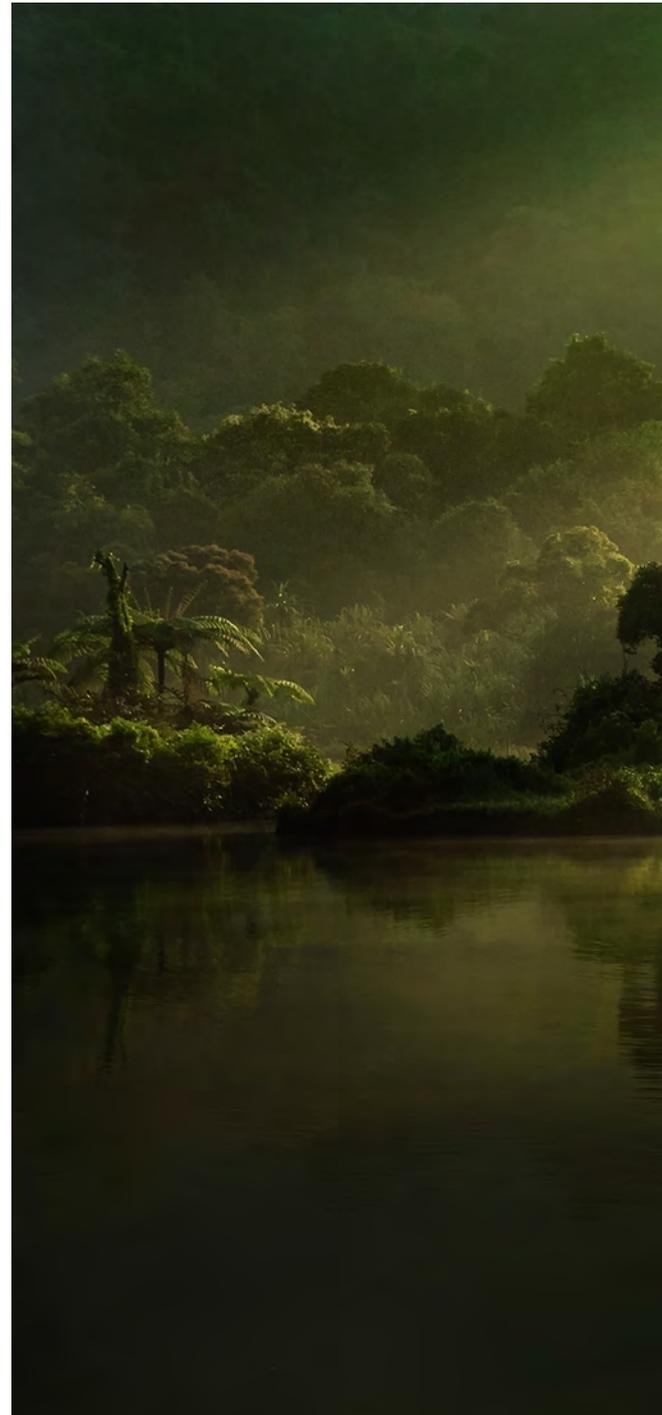
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Nature (Landscape/Wildlife)

Eng Tong Tan, Malaysia WPC Nature Gold Medal 2018



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David Eliud Gil Samaniego Maldonado, Mexico WPC Nature Silver Medal 2018

Self taught professional wedding, advertising and nature photographer from Mexicali.
NPS and Tamron ambassador in Mexico.



Dan McClanahan, USA WPC Nature Bronze Medal 2018

Ames, IA Dan MacClanahan became a photographer in 2009 with the goal of creating a fresh alternative to traditional photography in his market.

His quest was so successful that his work quickly made waves in the photo industry with multiple Grand Imaging Awards, WPPI awards, magazine features and becoming one of the youngest photographers on record to receive all three photography degrees bestowed by PPA.

He owns and operate McClanahan Studio with his best friend and beautiful wife, Alex, and splits his time between advertising photography and modern high school senior photography.

Outside of work Dan is small town Iowa introvert that loves Jesus, his family, punk rock drumming and strong coffee.







Ladislav Kamarad, Czech Republic WPC Nature Finalist 2018

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Apparently the only one, who was working in the elevation over 8000 m above the sea level (without using an oxygen mask) with medium format photographic equipment (Hasselblad). For the time being, he has climbed two eight thousand meter high mountains. Cho Oyu in Himalayas (8201m) and Gasherbrum II in Karakorum (8035m).

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Yane has lived his whole life in the small town of Broome. Despite the regional town being so remote and having little to no access to the photographic world, he picked up a camera at a young age and was self taught in the kind of way you only get through experience and experimentation.

Yane Sotiroski, Australia WPC Nature Finalist 2018



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Sergio Tapiro is a multi-awarded photographer that specializes on volcano and nature photography. He has won the National Geographic Travel Photographer of the Year 2017, 3rd place on World Press Photo 2016, Mountain Photo of the Year 2017, Nature's Best 2017, PDN The great Outdoors 2017, among other awards.

Sergio Tapiro is one of the most well known Mexican photographers around the world, he lives in Colima Mexico, is a member of Mexican Community of Nature Photographers, and loves to be.

Because of his amazing long term (15 years) Volcano Project, Sergio Tapiro has been invited internationally as speaker, artist and workshop teacher. On 2018, he was named Nikon Mexico's Ambassador.

Sergio Tapiro, Mexico WPC Nature Finalist 2018



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Dmitry Arkhipov, Russia WPC Nature Finalist 2018

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Dmitry is a photographer, traveler and polar guide. He traveled and photographed 112 countries so far. His five personal photo exhibitions attracted more than a million people.

Dmitry is a winner of many photo contests such as: EPSON Int'l Pano Awards, Global Arctic Awards, Trierenberg SC, B&W Spider Awards, Int'l Photography Awards, Int'l Color Awards.

Best Russian Photographer of the Arctic 2016 (Global Arctic Awards),

Best Photo Travel Photographer 2017, 2018 (Trierenberg SC).

Dmitry's professional certifications include:

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EFIAP (The International Federation of Photographic Art)

QEP (Federation of European Professional Photographers)

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Daniel Korzhonov, Russia WPC Nature Finalist 2018

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Photographer resident in the Basque country, with more than 35 years dedicated to the photography of social reportage, advertising, landscape and nature.

Jesus de Pedro Garcia, Spain WPC Nature Finalist 2018



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Ken Drake, Australia WPC Nature Finalist 2018

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Ken Drake lives in Brisbane with his wife Beck (with whom he runs Zoo Studio), his dogs, several cats and a clutch of children.

Ken has won more awards for animal photography than any other photographer working in Australia today, with over 120 professional photography awards, and he was given the title of Master of Photography in 2014 by the Australian Institute of Professional Photography.

Ken's work has been published on three continents in four books.

Ken is passionate about animals, is a keen advocate for animal welfare in all its guises and is a proud supporter of animal welfare charities including the RSPCA.

When Ken isn't photographing animals, he is either spending time with his own furred and feathered family, reading up on animal behaviour and welfare issues, or gazing fondly at the many wildlife animals near his house and wondering what on earth they could be thinking, and how he would photograph them.

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Portrait





Keren Dobia, Australia WPC Portrait Gold Medal 2018

I am an accredited professional photographer with a specialty in creative portraiture.

My photographic work is influenced by my background in painting and drawing.

My creativity extends to the design and fabrication of costumes and sets to ensure my ideas come to life the way I imagine.

I enjoy every aspect of the creative process from concept to completion.

On average my creative portraits can take up to a month of planning, shooting and post production for the creation of a single image.



Erich Carapas, USA WPC Portrait Silver Medal 2018

Erich Caparas was born in the Philippines but grew up in Northern Virginia / Washington DC area.

He has a degree in Economics and Engineering.

Professionally, he worked as a graphics designer photographer in Washington DC and New York. Having started photography in 1977 way before digital, back in the film days. He did all his film processing and darkroom work. He teaches now and specializes in creative portraits.







Haseo Hasegawa, Japan WPC Bronze Medal 2018

I'm Japanese Photographer.
My work is not using CG or synthetic.
I make a story and create a picture from there.
The image of the head is expressed by a story and a photograph.
And I make one photo book.

Japan Advertising Photographers' Association Regular member
Winning a prize:

ONE EYELAND PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS 2014 Bronze

APA AWARD 2015

ONE EYELAND PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS 2015 Silver

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Francis Baltazar stonestreet, USA WPC Portrait Finalist 2018

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Francie's is an artist at heart and found her niche behind the camera in 2004 photographing weddings and artistic portraits. Francie has been honored with World Photographic Cup Top 10 in the World for Portrait and Wedding, Professional Photographers of America Diamond Photographer of the Year, Canon Par Excellence Select, Kodak Elite Award, Grand Imaging Award Top 10 Finalist 3 times.

Francie has earned her Master Photographer & Photographic Craftsman Degree and Certified Professional Photographer designation from PPA. Francie's Wedding Image was featured on the Cover of Professional Photographer Magazine September 2017.

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Fine art portrait artist located in Hawkes Bay, New Zealand.

Loren O'Connor, New Zealand WPC Portrait Finalist 2018



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Fotografi och bilder har alltid varit en passion i mitt liv. Men det var inte förrän jag fick mitt första barn som jag förstod hur viktigt det är att spara minnen i form av bild. När jag väntade mitt andra barn upptäckte jag nyföddfoto genom en tidningsartikel om två amerikanska nyföddfotografer och en dröm om att starta eget företag började ta form. I Sverige fanns då inga fotografer som fotade nyfödda på det sättet och jag började studera de amerikanska bilderna noga och titta på de få klippen med nyföddfotografering på Youtube som fanns då. Sakta med säkert lärde jag mig knepen för att posera sovande bebisar och framför allt lärde jag mig hur man får de små bebisarna att sova lugnt och tryggt. Sedan dess har tillgängligheten till kursmaterial och utbildningsvideos exploderat. Jag har själv gått kurser IRL med stora namn som Kelly Brown, Amy McDaniel och Nicole Miller Smith, samt flertalet onlinekurser med andra stora namn. Allt för att få största kompetens inom säkerhet och posering.

Laila Villebek, Sweden WPC Portrait Finalist 2018



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Jenny Purnone, Sweden WPC Portrait Finalist 2018

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I am a creative photographer from Sweden.
I love cinnamonbuns and travel all around the world.
The travels make me creative and I always have my sketch book and pencils where ever I go.
I have a studio in Tyresö, Sweden and shoot babies, children and families. And weddings.
Just now I have a project call "The Flowers skirts"
I make skirts from flowers and take portraits and make them together in photoshop.
In september I gonna have an exhibition in Sweden.
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How I make my flowerskirts: Youtube: Jenny Purnone -Photo Artist



Gaétan Lecire, France WPC Portrait Finalist 2018

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Located near Vannes (in Brittany-France), I am a professional photographer for about 10 years. I'm also a University professor (photo and video). These two complementary activities feed on each other.

Behind each photo there is a personal or professional story, a journey, a unique moment. For me, photography is, above all, being in order to reproduce and transmit a personality, values. Beyond the subject photographed, I also pay attention to the post-treatment of each photograph: a long and precise work. This quality research was rewarded in particular by a ranking in the top 3 at the France Revlon Style Masters prize for 4 consecutive years, a hairstyle international competition.

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I am a professional equestrian photographer.

I live in Russia but work worldwide. I used to sign my works with my real name, however, some time ago I decided to work under the pseudonym Laerta.

Laerta is the name of my beloved horse who opened a whole new world of horses for me, taught me to love it unconditionally, with all my heart.

She showed to me that a close contact, of a somewhat telepathic nature, is the ideal means of communication between a human being and a horse.

We have been happy together for many years by now.

Paying a sincere tribute to this horse, I sign all my works with her name.

Svetlana Petrova "Laerta"

Svetlana Petrova, Russia WPC Portrait Finalist 2018





Claude Brazeau, Canada WPC Portrait Finalist 2018

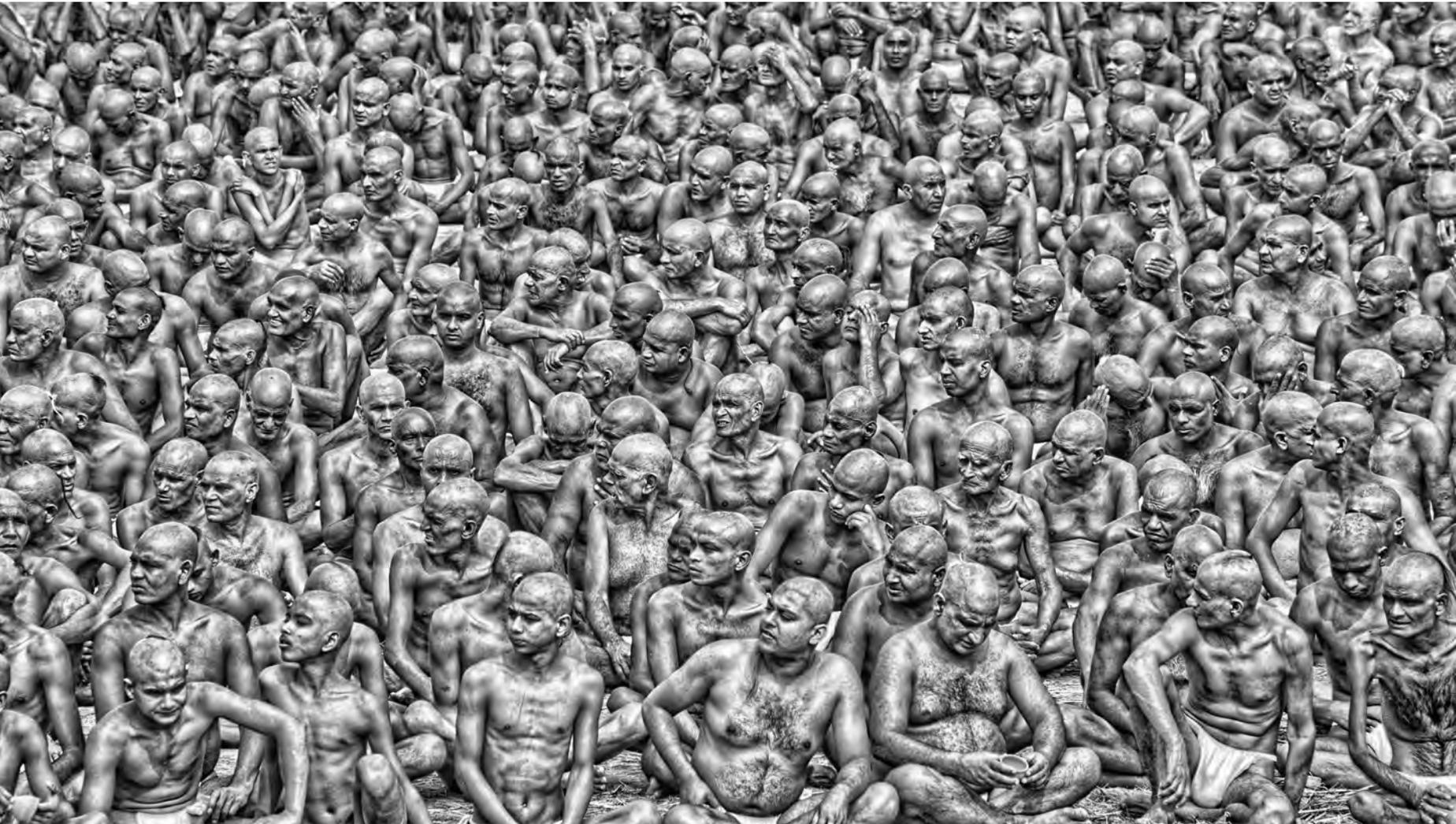
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I Claude Brazeau is a master photographer fourth bar living in the Ottawa / Gatineau area. He's a national and international award winning photographer specializing in portrait, wedding and event photography and a proud member of PPOC (Professional Photographers of Canada) and PPA (Professional Photographers of America).

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Reportage





Gail Nogle, United States of America Reportage Gold Medail 2017

Gail Nogle, M.Potog.,CR.,F-ASP graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology. She began her career at Gittings Neiman Marcus where she learned to photograph men, brides, teens, groups, women and children and photographing children has always been her first love and forte.

She opened her own studio in the City of Dallas and has been a professional photographer for over 40 years.

The world has become her studio and her passion has taken her around the world photographing amazing events and places such as Princess Diana's funeral procession in London, a Sahara Desert caravan the floating markets of Kashmir, bathers in the River Ganges, and the Dalai Lama's 77th birthday in Dharamsala, India.



Christopher Ian, Australia Reportage Silver Medail 2018

I am from Australia and the current Silver Medalist from the recent "World Photographic Cup" :

"The pain and solitude of being the last man standing; recording a moment in history as we lose one of the last eye witnesses to "D-Day".

In my lifetime I have seen the last of the Australian WW 1 ANZAC soldiers pass into history. Inspired by this lost opportunity I set about taking the portraits of final remaining WW 2 servicemen and more importantly, presenting them as proud, strong and imposing men, irrespective of their advanced years.

The gentleman in this portrait had spent the previous 6 months in hospital and this was his 1st day back out. He was the last man alive from his regiment, having fought through D-Day, France, Holland and into Germany.

He died on the 1st August, 2016."

“Happy Trails To You”

Christopher Ian M. Photog. (AIPP)







Paul Wright, Canada Reportage Bronze Medail 2018

Paul Wright is a portrait and editorial photographer, based in Whistler, Canada. He creates images that connect us to each other, and to our environment. Portrait and editorial components blend together to create his style.

His life long experience of working with people in many areas of excellence and crisis has formed his deep appreciation and respect for the moments in people's lives.

Paul is accredited Nationally by the Professional Photographers of Canada in Sport Photography, Adventure Sport and Wildlife. He holds his Master of Photographic Arts from the Professional Photographers of Canada.

Press Images may be found in THE CANADIAN PRESS Images ARCHIVES.
<http://www.cpimages.com/fotoweb/index.fwx>

He has been named the British Columbia 2011, "Photographer of the Year", by the Professional Photographers of Canada.

He is an active member of the Newspaper Photographers Association of Canada as well as the Canadian Association of Professional Image Creators.



Markus Berger, Austria WPC Reportage Finalist 2018

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My photography is focused on sports, lifestyle and commercial projects. I am based in Austria but travel and work also internationally. I am supporter by brands Broncolor, Red Bull, Cooph and Clerc Watches. My drive has always been to capture unique moments, striking action or people / characters / athletes. Good vibes are key inside out and translate into my photography. I like coming up with concepts and telling stories visually. I embrace my inner child and every shoot is a new exciting adventure.

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I do enjoy being a professional photographer since almost 40 years. I have my own studio in Södertälje Sweden. Beside working in Sweden my passion is to travel around the world meeting people from all different cultures and taking portraits.

Ulrich Schulte, Sweden WPC Reportage Finalist 2018



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Reportero Gráfico desde hace 38 años. Trabajó en el Diario El Mundo (Medellín), en el periódico El Tiempo (Bogotá) y fue corresponsal de la Agencia Reuters durante dos años.

Laboré en el periódico El Colombiano (Medellín) como Editor Fotográfico.

Dicto conferencias sobre fotoperiodismo a nivel nacional en instituciones académicas y universitarias, soy docente del Diplomado de Reportalismo Gráfico de la Academia Cultural Yurupary y director académico de la institución que lleva mi nombre.

Soy ganador de varios premios de fotografía internacional el Premio World Press Photo 2004 - 2006 y del Premio internacional Sony 2012, 2017 y finalista en el 2018.

Luis Henry Agudelo Cano, Colombia WPC Reportage Finalist 2018



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Kazuyoch Shimoda, Japan WPC Reportage Finalist 2018

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Born in 1949. Learned photography at Sydne di Craiker Studio (NYC, USA) in 1973. After graduation he started a photo studio in 1973. A series of photos he took in Canada “SKETCH OF CANADA” were printed in PHOTO JAPAN magazine in 1994. From 2005, He has started photographing in Xingjian China.



Peter Svoboda, Slovakia WPC Reportage Finalist 2018

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Peter Svoboda – Master QEP (Master Qualified European Photographer), member of FEP (Federation of European photographers) and APFSR (Association of Slovak professional Photographers)

Peter is internationally accomplished Landscape photographer based in Slovakia. Peter's work is mainly focused on landscapes showing a strong mood and interesting light, in color or black&white.

His pictures are known as precisely composed, often capturing rare moments of human presence in Nature, intended to emphasize man's respect to the Nature.

Peter's work was been exhibited in galleries around the Globe, published in international magazines and awarded in many prestigious international competitions.

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Hello,

My style of photography is rooted in photojournalism. I love to travel around the world to catch beautiful or special moments. I am a storytelling photographer. My creativity is noticeable by the way I play with the light, the moments and the locations. Fotografiepolak is working very hard, with a lot of fun to create beautiful images. So with the "know how" to catch the light in difficult circumstances, my prior business became wedding photography. I am trying to grow everyday, that's the reason that I still follow a lot of workshops !!!! I LOVE MY JOB....

Evi Polak, Belgium WPC Reportage Finalist 2018



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Andy Cheung, Australia WPC Reportage Finalist 2018

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Andy Cheung is the director / owner photographer of ArcK Photography and is an Accredited Professional Photographer. We are a multi-award winning portraiture and sports photography studio located at the leafy suburb of Turrumurra, Sydney, Australia. We were awarded the prestigious title of "2016 & 2017 NSW Professional Sport Photographer of the Year" by AIPP.

At ArcK, we don't just take beautiful images, we capture the true personality, character and spirit of our clients. Blending the visual aesthetic of portrait photography with the authenticity of photojournalism, we create meaning-rich, fulfilling and valuable experiences and imagery for our clients

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Wedding





Raymond Phang, Singapore WPC Wedding Gold Medal 2018





Marcelino Munoz, USA WPC Wedding Silver Medal 2018

<http://www.>







Deric Wan Kin Tong, Malaysia WPC Wedding Bronze Medal 2018



Silvio Pinto Portugal WPC Wedding Finalist 2018

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Anka was born on December 4, 1980. She spent her childhood with books on art and her mothers' drawing tools, covering acres of paper with her drawings. In 1997 she entered the Moscow Architectural Institute deciding to follow in her mothers' footsteps. But at the end of 1997 her mother was diagnosed with cancer and died in less that a year. Then her father died in 1999.

In 2006 Anka noticed that her inspiration often came from photos and decided to take up photography. Since that time Anka took part in numerous projects -magazine's publications and covers, book and CD covers, exhibitions.

She engage digital photo art and analog film photography as well.

In 2013 Anka with her husband moves to live in Porto, Portugal.

Anka Zhuravleva, Russia WPC Wedding Finalist 2018



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Jose Presencia is a veteran professional photographer based in Alicante, Spain. I have been a professional photographer for 25 years, stopping the time with my camera, watching smiles, tears, hugs, joy, love, humor and celebration pass before my eyes.

Jose Presencia Crespo Pepe, Spain WPC Wedding Finalist 2018



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Jun Matsuoka, Japan WPC Wedding Finalist 2018

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Jun Matsuoka ,Professional wedding photographer shooting wedding ceremonies throughout all of Japan,and in Paris recently.

After mastering the basics of photography by the master of the landscape photograph of Kamakura, Mr Hiroshi Harada,I established a company of wedding photograph in 2007. Aiming at unrealistic beautiful photos and snapshots full of documentaries.

(My gold medals award in the wedding photo contest in Japan)

Gold medal at the wedding photos Award 2014 ,Hometown Wedding Category.

Gold medal at the wedding photos Award 2013 ,Best Wedding shot Category.

I am taking photos of my customers' wedding ceremonies every week-end.

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Erich Caparas, Usa WPC Wedding Finalist 2018

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Erich Caparas was born in the Philippines but grew up in Northern Virginia / Washington DC area. He has a degree in Economics and Engineering. Professionally, he worked as a graphics designer photographer in Washington DC and New York.

Having started photography in 1977 way before digital, back in the film days. He did all his film processing and darkroom work. He teaches now and specializes in creative portraits.

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Francie's is an artist at heart and found her niche behind the camera in 2004 photographing weddings and artistic portraits. Francie has been honored with World Photographic Cup Top 10 in the World for Portrait and Wedding, Professional Photographers of America Diamond Photographer of the Year, Canon Par Excellence Select, Kodak Elite Award, Grand Imaging Award Top 10 Finalist 3 times.

Francie has earned her Master Photographer & Photographic Craftsman Degree and Certified Professional Photographer designation from PPA. Francie's Wedding Image was featured on the Cover of Professional Photographer Magazine September 2017.

Francis Baltazar Stonestreet, USA WPC Wedding Finalist 2018





XiaojunFan, China WPC Wedding Finalist 2018

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<http://www.>

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And the Winner is

Unites States of America



Australia - USA - Mexico

BEST TEAMS

1st	USA
2nd	Australia
3rd	Mexico
4th	Sweden
5th	Russia
6th	Malaysia
6th	Portugal
8th	Finland
8th	Japan
10th	Ireland
10th	Singapore

About the World Photographic Cup – The rganization

The WPC was founded in 2013 as a cooperative effort by The Federation of European Photographers (**FEP**) and Professional Photographers of America (**PPA**), and it is now upported also by UAPP United Asian Professional Photography (**UAPP**) and Australian Institute of Professional Photography (**AIPP**).

Its singular goal is to unite photographers in a spirit of friendship and cooperation.

A Governing Committee has been created to conduct the ongoing affairs of the competition.

The committee is formed by :

Jean Félix Bernetel (France),

Bert Behnke (USA),

Don Dickson (USA),

Kylie Lyons (Australia),

Don MacGregor (Canada),

Bent Nygaard Larsen (Denmark),

Noboru Okamoto (Japan),

Neil Warner, (Ireland),

with Giuseppe Scozzi (Italy) in the position of CEO and **David Trust** (USA), Chief Auditor.

WPC Information on how are judged and presented the photos

Unlike any other professional photographic competition, the WPC is an Olympics-styled event with national teams competing against other national teams in a spirit of friendship and unity.

Each team is made up of three images in each of the six categories: Commercial, Illustrative / Digital Art, Nature (Landscape, wild life...), Portrait, Reportage and Wedding

A photographer may have more than one image in the competition, but not more than one in any given category.

Individual team members compete for Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals, while their teams are competing for the Cup!

The judging is conducted by judges from all over the world. Actually, each entering team entitled one judge, and the judges are especially trained for the World Photographic Cup. It is a blind judging, which means judges never met with each other, and at no time were they given the name or country of the image they were judging. Each image in the competition is scored by the judges in four areas: impact, creativity, technical excellence and composition

In addition to the individual medals, points are given out to each country: 10 for first place, 9 for second place, 8 for third place, 7 points for 4th place and so on. So everyone in the top-10 contributes points to their team total.

Which means every top-10 finish is crucial for winning the World Photographic Cup !

You have the possibility to look the integrality of the photos in competition on the website of the WPC.

http://www.worldphotographiccup.org/wpc_gallery/world-photographic-cup-winners-2018/



Photography by Neil Loomes and Richard Colles AIPP members

WPC associations delegates meeting in Australia

February 2018

Who Will Win the WPC 2019?

Team Australia

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Team Belgium

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Team United States

Team Captain: Rich Newell
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Zizi Lazer - 'futur Proche'

Du 6 décembre 2018 au 27 janvier 2019 –
Centrale.lab – Place Sainte-Catherine 16
1000 Bruxelles

World Press Photo

Du 10 novembre 2018 au 13 janvier 2019
La Cité Miroir – Place Xavier Neujean, 22
4000 Liège

Back From the Darkness

Du 23 novembre 2018 au 13 janvier 2019
Studio Baxton – Place de la Vieille Halle Aux Blés 29
1000 Bruxelles

Exposition photo ' Burning Man : sous la poussière, la plage '

Du 15 novembre 2018 au 16 janvier 2019
Liber – Rue Des Deux églises, 112
1210 Saint-Josse-Ten-Noode

'Mémoires végétales': Photographies de Alain Ceysens et Jean-François Urbain

Du 12 décembre 2018 au 20 janvier 2019
Galerie Verhaeren – Rue Gratès, 7
1170 Watermael-Boitsfort

Catherine Maria Chapel - Photographies

Du 1er décembre 2018 au 6 janvier 2019 Bruxelles
Art22 Gallery – 56 Place du Jeu de Balle
1000 Bruxelles

Exposition | Le Travail à l'échelle humaine

Du 6 décembre 2018 au 7 février 2019
Pointculture Bruxelles – Rue Royale 145
1000 Bruxelles

Croisière au Cercle polaire. Été 1929.

Du 22 septembre 2018 au 24 mars 2019
La Maison Losseau – 37 Rue de Nimy
7000 Mons

Expo photos Kids of the World d'Elena Shumilova

Du 8 octobre 2018 au 8 janvier 2019
Abbaye – Rue de l'Abbaye 55
1495 Villers-la-Ville

Omnibus - Photos de rue de Sylvia Pigarella

Du 1er décembre 2018 au 20 janvier 2019

Office du Tourisme et du Patrimoine – Musée de la Porte – Rue de Bruxelles 64
1480 Tubize

Expo-focus de photographies 'Dis Monsieur, c'est quoi grandir ?'

Du 19 octobre 2018 au 3 février 2019

Musée en Piconrue – Place en Piconrue, 2
6600 Bastogne

Obsessions - Exposition Photos

Du samedi 12 au dimanche 20 janvier

Espace Vanderborght – Rue de l'Ecuyer 50
1000 Bruxelles

Faites le mur

Du lundi 14 janvier au vendredi 22 février

Espace Wallonie – Rue de France, 3
6000 Charleroi

Les Saisons de la Photo / Exposition photos nature

Du 26 mars 2018 au 1er avril 2019

Place du Marché, 15
6870 Saint-Hubert

Gérald Livin : Skatepark,

Du 16 novembre 2018 au 12 janvier 2019

Galerie Pascal Goossens – 98, Rue de Flandre
1000 Bruxelles

'fo-Tuo' par Olivier Thieffry

Du 14 novembre 2018 au 27 janvier 2019

Galerie Satellite – Rue du Mouton Blanc
4000 Liège

Opening L-Festival • Vernissage Béa Uhart: 'Chosen'

Du 22 novembre 2018 au 19 janvier 2019

Rainbowhouse Bruxelles – Rue du Marché au Charbon 42
1000 Bruxelles

Je suis humain

Du vendredi 25 janvier au jeudi 14 février

Centre Culturel de Bastogne – Rue du Sablon 195
6600 Bastogne

Everydayharder

Du jeudi 31 janvier au dimanche 14 avril
Galerie Satellite – Rue du Mouton Blanc
4000 Liège

Exposition de la campagne #DeLaReussiteParmiVous

Du 15 novembre 2018 au 15 janvier 2019
Parc Royal, en Face du Palais – Place Des Palais
1000 Bruxelles

Bieau Borinage. Photographies de Mara De Sario

Du 14 octobre 2018 au 31 janvier 2019
Maison Rouge – Rue Félix Maigret de Priches 42
7030 Saint-Symphorien

Thierry Cantillon 'Asia' et Mathieu Bauwens 'Myosotis'

Du mercredi 23 janvier au dimanche 24 février
Galerie Verhaeren – Rue Gratès, 7
1170 Watermael-Boitsfort

Charleroi Museum of Photography <http://www.museephoto.be/actuelles.html>

Avenue Paul Pastur 11,
6032 Charleroi

Robert Frank; courtesy Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York. Collection Maison Européenne de la Photographie, Paris

Les Américains
ROBERT FRANK
22.09.2018 > 20.01.2019

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LISA DE BOECK & MARILÈNE COOLENS
22.09.2018 > 20.01.2019

Face to face

MANFRED JADE
22.09.2018 > 20.01.2019

GALERIE DU SOIR

Anneke D'Hollander
22.09.2018 > 20.01.2019

BOITE NOIRE

Pierre Liebaert – Libre maintenant
22.09.2018 > 20.01.2019

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Expo:

Gordon Matta-Clark: Works 1970–1977

Expositions

du 21 novembre 2018 au 20 décembre 2018

David Zwirner 24 Grafton St, Mayfair, Londres W1S 4EZ, Royaume-Uni

Clément Chapillon, Promise Me a Land

Expositions

du 4 octobre 2018 au 20 décembre 2018

MAC Maison des Arts Place Salvador Allende 94000 Créteil France

Gilles Lorin, Tirages platine–palladium

Expositions

du 26 septembre 2018 au 21 décembre 2018

Kunsthandel Joërg Maaß Rankestraße 24, 10789 Berlin Allemagne

« **3jours1femme** » à la Galerie L'Aberrante

Expositions

du 9 novembre 2018 au 21 décembre 2018

La Galerie L'Aberrante 21-1 Rue du Faisan, 34920 Le Crès France

Au bout des fusils, Mélanie Wenger

Expositions

du 12 octobre 2018 au 21 décembre 2018

Stimultania 33 rue Kageneck 67000 Strasbourg France

Sophie Calle, Deux projets: Parce que & Souris Calle

Expositions

du 13 octobre 2018 au 22 décembre 2018

Galerie Perrotin Paris 76 rue de Turenne 75003 Paris France

FAKE i REAL ME à Paris, Corinne Mariaud

Expositions

du 10 novembre 2018 au 22 décembre 2018

Galerie Myriam Bouagal 20 Rue du Pont aux Choux, 75003 Paris France

Dawoud Bey: Lieux d'Histoire, à la Stephen Bulger Gallery

Expositions

du 24 novembre 2018 au 22 décembre 2018

Stephen Bulger Gallery 1356 Dundas St W, Toronto, ON M6J 1Y2, Canada

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May 2019

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