Kuala Lumpur International Photo Awards 2018

Category: <u>Photography</u> Deadline: May 5, 2018 Website: <u>graphiccompetitions.com</u>



UPDATE: deadline extended to May 5, 2018.

Now in its 10th year, the **Kuala Lumpur International Photo Awards** continues to engage the global photographic community with the *2018 Call for Entries. KLPA* remains committed to promoting international contemporary portrait photography from South East Asia and the rest of the world, by rewarding some of the top photographers in the portraiture genre.

As in previous years, it seeks fresh and innovative photography from new, emerging and established photographers from around the world. There are two categories:

• Single Image (Open Theme) • Single Image/Photo stories (Open Theme)

In recognising diversity and rewarding effort, this edition of KLPA chooses specifically to highlight the importance of good storytelling in photography, within the contemporary portraiture genre where so many emerging photographers have been photographing recently - project work or the photo story. Special emphasis will also be given to photographers who push the boundaries of conventionality, to producing imaginative, fresh, visually arresting portraits and personally driven and well-researched stories.

KLPA 2018 will be a completely OPEN contest - with no theme to restrict your creativity, no boundaries to hold you back. Portraits may be interpreted in its widest sense, in relation to photography concerned with portraying people with an emphasis on their identity as individuals in relation to their surroundings, status and humanity.

All photographs must have been taken in 2017 and 2018 or part of an on-going project. Basic darkroom techniques (*e.g. levels, curves, dodging, burning, minimal sharpening, colour correction*) are permissible. Photographs can be *Black and White* or *Colour*, in any format. Entrants can enter more than one category, up to 10 images for each category.

The Photographer retains the copyright of all submitted images at all times.

Entry fees start at 15 USD.

Eligibility

Open to photographers from all over the world, including professionals, amateurs, keen hobbyists and students. All contestants must be 16 years of age or over on *30th April 2018*.

Prize

For *KLPA2018*, total of up to **10,500 USD** in prize money, plus three specially commissioned trophies to cherish will be awarded to prize winners.

All prize winners will also be invited to attend the Awards Presentation in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in *September 2018* in conjunction with a public exhibition of finalists portraits at Whitebox gallery situated at PUBLIKA.