

PHOTOGRAPHY

MOBILE PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS 2026

DEADLINE

18 DEC 2026

28 DAYS LEFT

POSTED	ENTRY FEE	ONLINE
20 Nov 2026	US$15 FOR 1 IMAGE	VISIT ORGANIZER

DETAILS / KEEP FOR REFERENCE

SOURCE: GRAPHIC COMPETITIONS

The Mobile Photography Awards 2026 is accepting entries from photographers around the world who create images using smartphones and tablets. Founded in 2011, the international photography competition focuses on work made with mobile devices, from traditional camera photography to experimental images edited with mobile apps.

The competition covers a wide range of subjects, with categories including street photography, black and white, portraits, landscapes and wildlife, architecture, and digital fine art. There is also a separate Photo Essay category for photographers who want to tell a story through a series of images. Each photograph can be entered into up to two categories, giving participants the option to submit the same image under different themes.

Photographs taken in previous years are welcome, and participants can use mobile editing apps to process their work. Editing photographs on a desktop or laptop computer is not allowed, although computers can be used to rename, compress and upload files. Entries are submitted online, with high-resolution JPEG images recommended. Once submissions close, an international jury reviews the photographs anonymously and selects the winners.

Entry fee: US$15 for 1 image, US$30 for 3 images, US$50 for 6 images, US$100 for 15 images, or US$149 for 25 images. The separate Photo Essay category costs US$29 per submission.

ELIGIBILITY

Open to photographers and artists of all ages worldwide, unless prohibited by local law, submitting original images created using smartphones or tablets, with any image editing carried out on mobile devices rather than desktop or laptop computers.

PRIZE

The Mobile Photography Awards 2026 offers over US$10,000 in cash and prizes. The overall winner receives US$3,000 and the title of MPA Mobile Photographer of the Year. Individual photography category winners each receive US$250, while the winner of the separate Photo Essay category receives US$500. Winning photographs may also be included in exhibitions organised by the Mobile Photography Awards, which has previously presented exhibitions in cities including Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Toronto and Melbourne.