PHOTOGRAPHY

WORLD FOOD PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS 2026

DEADLINE

08 FEB 2026

ENTRIES CLOSED

POSTED	ENTRY FEE	ONLINE
6 Dec 2025	FOR ADULT ENTRANTS THE FEE IS £3...	VISIT ORGANIZER

DETAILS / KEEP FOR REFERENCE

SOURCE: GRAPHIC COMPETITIONS

The World Food Photography Awards is an international photography competition recognizing outstanding visual storytelling about food, culinary culture, and global food traditions. It invites photographers from around the world to capture the many dimensions of food, from production and preparation to shared meals, cultural rituals, and contemporary food issues. Designed to showcase both artistic excellence and narrative depth, the competition attracts submissions ranging from fine-art food photography to documentary projects and commercial food imagery.

Each year, the Awards highlight the evolving relationship between food and society, celebrating work that reflects creativity, technical skill, and emotional resonance. Photographers are encouraged to submit images that explore topics such as farm-to-table journeys, street food, food waste, sustainability, cultural heritage, and compelling chef or restaurant stories. By featuring diverse visual perspectives, the competition provides a global platform for emerging and established photographers to gain recognition in the food-media landscape.

Beyond honoring exceptional imagery, the World Food Photography Awards serve as a catalyst for industry visibility and career advancement. Winning and shortlisted photographers benefit from international media exposure, professional networking opportunities, and participation in a high-profile exhibition hosted in London. The competition's broad category range, authoritative judging panel, and global reach make it a significant event in the world of food photography, inspiring creators to push the boundaries of visual storytelling each year.

Entry fee: For adult entrants the fee is £35 (covering up to 6 images); additional entries cost £7 each. Entry is free for under-18 (Young) categories, and for certain student and special categories.

ELIGIBILITY

Open worldwide to photographers of any experience level and age (with separate adult and under-18 / student categories), from any country.

PRIZE

The overall winner receives a top prize of £5,000, has their work exhibited at the Mall Galleries in London, and gets a dedicated profile on the Awards website plus international press exposure.