17th Annual Pastel 100 Competition

Category: <u>Illustration</u> Deadline: September 1, 2015 Website: <u>graphiccompetitions.com</u>



Pastel Journal, America's leading magazine devoted to pastel artists, has recently opened its 17th Annual Pastel100 Competition. This *international* competition offers cash, prizes and publicity to its talented winners.

Entries are accepted in the following categories:

• Landscape & Interior • Portrait & Figure • Still Life & Floral • Animal & Wildlife • Abstract & Non-Objective

Submitted work must be **at least 80% soft pastel**. Nupastels and other "harder" pastels are considered soft pastels. No oil pastel.

Image requirements for entries: JPG files at least 72dpi and smaller than 5MB. All entrants should be prepared to be able to send a print-quality replacement file should their entry be among those selected as a winner. For publication in *Pastel Journal*, these files should be 300 dpi when saved at approximately 8×10 inches (2400×3600 pixels), ideally, and 5×7 inches (1500×2100 pixels) at minimum.

All early-bird entries - entries submitted before *August 3, 2015* - are 25 USD per image. Entries submitted after the early-bird deadline are subject to the regular entry fees of 30 USD per image. Regular deadline is *September 1, 2015*.

Eligibility

Artists can be from anywhere in the world but must be age 16 or older.

Prize

• First Prize: 5,000 USD cash

• Second Prize: 2,500 USD cash

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Moreover, all top prize winners and place winners will receive features in Pastel Journal (*April 2016 issue*). All winners will be notified by *October 31, 2015*.