Astronomy Photographer Of The Year 2025

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The Astronomy Photographer of the Year is an annual competition that celebrates the most stunning and awe-inspiring images of space and the night sky from photographers around the globe. Organized by the Royal Observatory Greenwich, this renowned contest invites participants to capture the universe's beauty, showcasing everything from breathtaking skyscapes to intricate close-ups of celestial bodies. With categories catering to various astronomical themes, the competition is a significant platform for both professionals and enthusiasts to share their vision and expertise.

Each year, the competition attracts thousands of submissions, featuring the finest astrophotography that highlights the wonders of our solar system, galaxies, stars, and beyond. With a commitment to diversity and innovation, the contest includes special categories like "People and Space" and "Skyscapes," allowing photographers to blend art and science creatively. Aspiring photographers can also participate in dedicated segments, such as the Young Astronomy Photographer of the Year and the Sir Patrick Moore Prize for Best Newcomer, ensuring an inclusive celebration of talent across all skill levels and ages.

In addition to recognition and cash prizes, winners gain a coveted opportunity to have their images displayed in a high-profile exhibition at the National Maritime Museum, drawing thousands of visitors annually. This platform amplifies the exposure of the winning works, giving participants the chance to leave a lasting mark on the world of astronomy and photography. The competition's unique blend of artistry and science underscores the universal fascination with the cosmos, making it a highly anticipated event in both the astronomical and photographic communities.

A one-off non-refundable entry fee of £10.00 is required from each entrant in the Adult competition; entry to the Young competition and special prizes is free.

Eligibility

The Adult competition is open to anyone aged 16 or over; the Young competition is open to anyone aged 15 or under.

Prize

The overall winner, chosen from the Adult competition category winners, receives £10,000 and the title of Astronomy Photographer of the Year. Each adult category winner receives £1,500, runners-up receive £500, and highly commended entries receive £250. The Young competition winner receives £1,500, with runners-up and highly commended entries also receiving monetary awards. All winners receive a year's subscription to BBC Sky at Night Magazine, and their images are displayed in an exhibition at the National Maritime Museum.