

# World Press Photo Contest 2016

Category: [Photography](#)

Deadline: January 13, 2016

Website: [graphiccompetitions.com](http://graphiccompetitions.com)



The annual **World Press Photo Contest** is at the core of *World Press Photo's* activities and it has come to be regarded as the most prestigious international award for photojournalism in the world. It offers an overview of how press photographers tackle their work worldwide and how the press gives us the news, bringing together pictures from all parts of the globe to reflect trends and developments in photojournalism.

The main overall prize, the *World Press Photo of the Year*, is awarded for the single photograph that is not only the photo-journalistic encapsulation the year, but represents an issue, situation or event of great journalistic importance, and does so in a way that demonstrates an outstanding level of visual perception and creativity.

Judging takes place at the beginning of *February* each year. The contest jury comprises 19 picture editors, photographers and representatives of press agencies from different parts of the world, with widely divergent backgrounds. This brings to the process a breadth of experience, a variety of perception and a contrast in viewpoint that keeps judging dynamic and bolsters objectivity. This year the contest is headed by jury chair *Francis Kohn*, photo director *Agence France-Presse*.

Categories:

â€¢ **General News**

â€¢ **Spot News**

â€¢ **Sports**

â€¢ **Contemporary Issues**

â€¢ **Daily Life**

â€¢ **People**

â€¢ **Nature**

â€¢ **Long-Term Projects - Individual**

â€¢ **Long-Term Projects - Group**

Please note, a username and password are required to enter and can be requested until 7 *January 2016*. The **final deadline** for submitting entries is *13 January 2016*.

**There is no entry fee**

### **Eligibility**

All professional press photographers, photo agencies, newspapers and magazines from anywhere in the world are invited to submit their best news-related pictures from the previous year.

### **Prize**

The jury gives first, second, and third prizes in all categories. **First-prize** winners in each category receive a cash prize of 1,500 EUR (*approx. 1,630 USD*). Winners of **second and third prizes**, and those receiving honorable mention, receive a *Golden Eye Award* and a diploma.

The premier award, the **World Press Photo of the Year**, carries a cash prize of **10,000 EUR** (*approx. 10,870 USD* ). In addition, *Canon* will donate a professional DSLR camera and lens kit to the winning photographer.

The annual **Awards Days**, a two-day celebration of the prizewinners, takes place in Amsterdam on *22-23 April 2016*. The prize-winning pictures are presented in an exhibition that travels year-round to about 100 cities in 45 countries.

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