

The 54th H.K.C.C. International Salon of Pictorial Photography 2024

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ORGANIZERS

Hong Kong Camera Club Limited cordially invites you and photographers all over the world to participate in the 54th HKCC International Salon of Pictorial Photography 2024, to be held at Level 4, Exhibition Gallery of the Hong Kong Cultural Centre, Kowloon., Hong Kong on **20 - 23 July, 2024.**

The salon is held in conformity with the exhibition standards and regulations of the Photographic Society of America (PSA) and Global Photographic Union (GPU) and our Camera Club (HKCC).

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SALON COMMITTEES

Mr. WONG Chiu Hung (Salon Secretaries)

Mr. LEUNG Ka Fai

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Mr. CHEUNG Yip Tong

Mr. LI Shu Cheong

SECTIONS

There are FOUR (4) sections, all digital:

A) Projected Images Division (PIDC) – Color only (open),

B) Projected Images Division (PIDM) – Monochrome only (open),

C) Nature Division (ND) (Monochrome or Color)

D) Photo Travel Division (PTD) (Monochrome or Color)

The Salon consists of 4 Sections. Salon entrants can submit up to four (4) entries into each of the four (4) Sections. An entrant may enter any or all of the four (4) Sections of the Salon. Entries are limited to not more than four (4) digital images per Section.

Each photo can be presented in only one section.

ENTRY FEE

US\$15.00 for any one (1) section,

US\$25.00 for any two (2) sections,

US\$30.00 for any three (3) or all four (4) sections,

Group discount: 20% off for at least 10 members

The fee can be paid via PayPal to our PayPal Account : hongkongcameraclub@gmail.com

(You may not need a PayPal Account. You may also pay by credit card.)

- a) Participants of **foreign countries** are required to settle the entry fees by PayPal ONLY.
- b) Judging Results and PDF catalogue will be sent by Email.
- c) Color Printed Catalogue can be purchased at US\$30.00 per copy including postage by surface mail.
- d) All Bank cheques, Personal cheques and Postal money orders are NOT accepted.
- e) Any entry without payment completed will not be judged or returned.

CALENDAR

Closing date: 20 May 2024

Judging: 1 June 2024 (PIDM / PIDC)

2 June 2024 (ND / PTD)

Notifications Sent: 9 June 2024

Awards Sent: 1 August 2024

On-line Gallery posted: 1 August 2024

E-Catalogue Sent: 1 August 2024

JUDGES

A) Projected Images Division (PIDC)

Mr. CHAN Hoi (Hon.FHKCC, FHKCC, APSHK, Hon.PSHK, SE35MMPS)

Mr. CHAN Tat-kuen (Hon.FHKCC, Hon.FPSHK, FPSHK, ARPS)

Mr. LAI Wing-chiu (Hon.FHKCC, Hon.EHKCC, FHKCC, FCPA, F35MMPS, FPSNY, FPSEA, FPSA, Hon.FPSSM, Hon.EPSSM, Hon.ECPA, Hon.FPSM, SE35MMS, Hon.EYMCAPS, Hon.ESEAPS, Hon.EPAS, SAWIEP, Hon.FHKPCLA, Hon.FCPA, Hon.EPSNY, Hon.FPSEA, Hon.FMDPA, Senior Associate Member of Wilmington International Exhibition, PSA .Diamond Star)

Mr. MAK Yan (FHKCC, Hon.FHKCC, FPESA, FCPA, EFIAP, FRPS, FAPA, PPSA, FPSHK, FUAPA, F35MMPS, FGPC, FHKPA, Hon.FPSEA, Hon.FCPSA, Hon.FPSSM, Hon.FWKLPA, PSA 5-Star-PPD(C), T3PPD(C))

Mr. Philand WU (Hon.FHKCC, FHKCC, FGPA.HK, Hon.FPSEA, FPSHK, ARPS, Hon.FCAPA, Hon.FGPC, Hon.FYMCAPS, FPSNY, FNCPA, Hon.FHKPC, Hon.FPSLA, MUPHK, Hon.FUPHK, FUPHK, Hon.FICS, MSAP, Hon.FPI, FUAPA, Hon.FAVAA, Hon.EFMPA, Hon.FSWAN, Hon.EPSSM, FPSEA, Hon.Life President HKCC, Hon.Pressident CPA, Hon.Pressident CAPS, Hon.Pressident PSM, Hon.Pressident MDPA)

B) Projected Images Division (PIDM)

Mr. LAU Koon-tan (Hon. FPSHK, FPSHK, Hon. FCPA, FCPA, Hon. ECPA, Hon. ZYPA, Hon. HKCPAC, AFIAP, Hon. FAVAA)

Mr. LEUNG Kai-yiu (Hon.FHKCC, FRPS, FHKMCPS, Hon.FHKPA, Hon.FYMCAPS, Hon.FUAPA, ABSC, Hon.EUAPA, Hon.FHKUPS, Hon.FCUPS, FCPA, EP.PSM, Hon.ECPA, LCFPA)

Mr. NG Lin-sing MH (FCPA, FUPHK, FCHKFPA, Hon.FCPA, Hon.M.UPHK, Hon.FUPHK, Hon.FGPC, Hon.F.TPPC, Hon.FSPS, Hon.FSGPA, Hon.FZYPA, Hon.FSAPA, Hon.FAAVA, Hon.FICS, A.CFPA)

Ms. TANG Sio Fong (FHKCC, Hon.FHKCC, Hon.PSSM, FPSSM, FPAZ, APSM, APSNY)

Mr. Yam Sik (Hon.FHKCC, EFIAP, FPSHK, Hon.FPSHK, Hon.FSGPA, Hon.FZYPA, Hon.ECPA, Hon.FPSC)

C) Nature Division (ND)

Mr. CHAN Chak-wing (FHKCC,FRPS, FCPA, FHKPA, FHKNPS, Hon.EHKCC, Hon.ECPA,
Who's Who Top Ten (CPD 1993)

Mr. FUNG Man-yu, Alex (FRPS, GMPSA, EFIAP/p, FPSEA, FNCPA, FMTRMPC, FGPC, FUAPA, FAPU, APSA, APSHK,
SAWIEP, PSA Galaxy (PPDC, PPDM, PIDC, PIDM, ND, PTD), Hon.FMPC, Hon.FPSEA,
Hon.FHKYMTPA, Hon.FPSM, Hon.FMDPA, Hon.PSEA, Hon.MPC, Hon.UAPA)

Ms SHAW Lingling (FPSHK, FPSEA, FAPA, FZYPA, Hon.ZYPA, AFIAP, GCPA, Hon.ECPA,
PSA Who's who Top 10 2011-2012-2013(PPDC))

Ms. WENG Lien-fen (Hon.FHKCC, FHKCC, FPSHK,FUAPA, FCAPA, ARPS,Hon.ECPA, FHKAPA, HKSAR,Hon.EHKCC,
EEGPC, AFIAP, AWKLPA, ED.PSM, FNCAPA, Hon.PSEA, PSA Who's Who Top Ten 2009 (LCP),
PSA Who's Who Top Ten 2010 (LMP)

Mr. YAU Kwok Hung (FHKCC, Hon.FHKCC, Hon.EHKCC, FPSEA, FCPA, FHKPA,AUAPA,LCFPA, Hon.ECPA,
Hon.EPSSM, Hon.EUAPA Hon.HKPA, SAWIEP,EPPSM, EE.TPPC,Adviser of UAPA,
PSA Who's Who 95,96,97,2003(LCP) Top Ten.)

D) Photo Travel Division (PTD)

Mr. CHAN Ping-hung (Hon.FHKCC, FHKCC, FCPA, FUAPA, Hon.EHKCC, FKPS, APSHK, ARPS, AGPC)

Mr. HO Shun-kau (PSA Who's Who 2011,2012,2013 Top Ten, EFIAP, SAWIEP, FPSEA, FNCPA, FGPC, FHKAPA,
F(S)HKAPA, FHKYMTPA, APSHK)

Mr. LUI Kwong-lam, David (Hon.Life Adviser UPHK, FUPHK, FPSEA, Hon.FUPHK, Hon.FSWAN, Hon.FHKAPA,
Hon.FPSEA, FHKNPS, Hon.PSEA, Hon.ESPSEA,Hon life Advisr PSHK, APSA)

Mr. Healthy, K. H. TAM (FGPC, FSGPA, FWKLPA, Hon.FPSEA, Hon.FHKCC, ARPS, APSHK, Hon.FYMTPA, Hon.CMGPC,
Hon.FGPC, MHGPC)

Dr. Jeffrey TSANG (AHKCC, Hon.FUAPA, FUAPA, Hon.FGPC, Hon.FPSEA, APSHK, Hon.PSHK)

“Note: The Society reserves the right to the composition of the Judging Panels with prior approval from PSA, if required.”

AWARDS

Total 148 Awards

PSA Gold Medal 1 per section

GPU Gold Medal 1 per section

HKCC Gold Trophy 1 per section

HKCC Silver Trophy 2 per section

HKCC Bronze Trophy 3 per section

HKCC Silver Medals 5 per section

HKCC Bronze Medals 10 per section

PSA Ribbons 6 per section

GPU Ribbons 6 per section

Also

Gold Trophy for Best set 1 per section

Gold trophy for Best HKCC Member 1 per section

**** SPECIAL AWARDS**

HONG KONG CAMERA CLUB LIMITED grants a title of Hon. EHKCC with certificate of merit to any successful participant who has THREE or more entries accepted annually for 3 consecutive years in the same section of the HKCC International Salon, thereby accrediting the participant to enjoy the privilege of permanent exhibition gratis for future entries to the HKCC Salons. Overseas eligible applicants are required to write an application by email to the Salon Chairman with payment US\$15 (via PayPal) for the cost of mailing the certificate.

Note that the PSA only allow 10% of the acceptances to receive an award.

CATALOG

PDF catalogue will be sent by Email.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

IMAGE AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

This exhibition is open to anyone; however, an entry may be rejected when the Sponsor or the Exhibition Organizers, in their reasonable discretion, believes the entry does not conform to exhibition rules and these ES-COE. Membership in any photographic organization is not required. Entries will not be accepted from any entrant who is on the **PSA Penalties List for Ethics Violation**. Entry fees are not refundable in these circumstances.

Image creation and ownership

In all sections of the exhibition, images must originate as photographs made by the entrant. They may not incorporate identifiable images produced by anyone else (for example: clip art, replacement skies, or stock images). *Images created in whole or in part by image creation software (frequently called 'AI' images) are not allowed.* Editing or alteration of images is permitted within the limits specified in the relevant section definitions that are available here <https://psa-photo.org/page/division-definitions>

Any person submitting or attempting to submit a totally AI generated image that does not begin with a light capture from the maker, from any Photographic Society of America exhibition, social media, event, or publication, other than for editorial purposes, shall be prohibited from PSA for a period of from 3 years to life.

PSA Star Ratings: To receive proper Star ratings credit from PSA, entrants must provide their names and country exactly the same way in each exhibition. Aliases are not permitted. Please contact PSA in the event of name changes or relocating to another country. Using one's name differently in different exhibition exposes the entrant to the risk that many of their acceptances may not be recognized by PSA Star Ratings.

Reproduction: The entrant permits the sponsors to reproduce all or part of the entered material free of charge for publication and/or display in media related to the exhibition. This may include low resolution posting on a website. The Photographic Society of America (PSA) may request specific permission from entrants to reproduce entered images in its educational materials. The terms of that permission will be mutually agreed between the entrant and PSA except in the circumstances where the entered image is found to breach the PSA Ethics Policy. In those circumstances the image may be reproduced by PSA, without the entrant's further permission, for educational purposes to illustrate serious exhibition rule violations. For those reproductions, the entrant's name will be withheld.

Entries will not be accepted from entrants who indicate that their images may not be reproduced in materials related to the exhibition. The exhibition assumes no liability of any misuse of copyright

Re-use of accepted images: Any image that has been accepted in this exhibition, past or present, may not be entered again in the same Division Star Ratings Class in any future instances of this exhibition. It may, of course, be entered in any other PSA recognised exhibitions but **must always have the same title. Re-titling in another language is not allowed.**

Entry: An Entry consists of, up to and including, four (4) images entered by a single entrant into the same Section. An entrant may only enter a specific Section once. Entrants may not enter identical or similar images into the same section or different sections of the same exhibition. Similar is defined as almost identical in subject, composition, props, lighting, or technique so that a reasonable person viewing the entries together would decide the entrant has duplicated the previous image except for minor changes.

Titles: Each image must have a unique title that relates to the content of the image. That unique title must be used for entry of that image or of an identical Image into any and all PSA-Recognized exhibitions. Titles must be 35 characters or fewer. No titles may be visible to the judges, and nothing in the image may identify the entrant. Titles may not include file extensions such as .jpg or .jpeg (or any other camera capture filenames such as IMG 471). Titles may not consist of personal identifiers possibly augmented by a number; or include words such as “untitled” or “no title”. Titles may not consist solely of numbers unless those numbers are prominently contained within the image, such as a contestant number in a race.

Color and Monochrome:

Color and Monochrome images from the same capture that share substantial pictorial content in common will be considered the same image and must be given the same title.

DIGITAL ENTRIES

- 1) Participation of Salon Websites: All entries of digital images, please upload the files to the following address: <http://www.hongkongcameraclub.com/salon>
For any enquiries, please e-mail: (hkccsalon@gmail.com).
- 2) Digital Images must be in a compressed 「JPEG」 format with a maximum size of 1920 pixels horizontal x 1080 pixels vertical and a solution of 300 dpi, regardless of portrait or landscape orientation. Images will not be compressed or rotated by the Society. Images that are smaller than the maximum size will be displayed against a black background exactly as they are submitted. The maximum file size must be less than 5 MB.
- 3) The Digital Image's Title shall be in English characters containing the entrant's name and followed by a sequential number in order of 1 to 4. Do not use camera capture filenames as the image's title.
- 4) Any entries not conforming to the above requirements may not be shown to the Judging Panel and the entry fee will not be refunded.

The Exhibition will be conducted in accordance with the rules of the PSA

An entrant's images will not be presented to the judges consecutively. An entrant's four images will be distributed throughout four rounds of judging in that section. Distribution of images will be in the same round order as submitted by the entrant. At no stage will a judge be able to view all the entrant's images together.

JUDGING METHOD

- 1) The judges will watch and Judging together on site
 - (a) Digital images will be displayed on by Viewsonic (PX706HD) 3,000 Lumens 1080p Home Projector to the judges to view at the same time and at a single location for judging.
 - (b) The equipment will be colour calibrated, sRGB color space is recommended as it provides better quality under the display and projection for judging and showing at the exhibition. Do not use ARGB, ProRGB or CMYK color space.
 - (c) In either case that projection equipment or computer monitors are required to be capable of displaying images at 100% of the image resolution and that images will be displayed at exactly 100% of their resolution (that is, that the images will not be enlarged beyond their native resolution).
 - (d) The Society shall not be responsible for any loss and error during the process of reading digital images.
- 2) Target range: The target acceptance range will be **(24%-30%)**

DATA PROTECTION

By entering this exhibition, you are explicitly consenting to the personal details you have supplied, including physical addresses, email addresses, being held, processed and used by the exhibition organizers for purposes associated with this exhibition. You also explicitly consent to such information being sent to organizations that have accorded official recognition, patronage or accreditation to this exhibition. You acknowledge, agree and accept that by entering this exhibition, your participation status which includes your first and last name, name of the country used during registration at the exhibition, number of sections entered and number of photos entered in those sections will be made public in a published status list and that the results of your entry shall be made public in exhibition gallery, exhibition catalog. You also agree and accept the policy regarding non-compliance to the rules of PSA.

SUBJECT MATTER AND SECTION DEFINITIONS

Statement on Subject Matter - applicable to all sections

The fundamental rule that must be observed at all times and **applies to all sections** offered in exhibitions with PSA recognition is that **the welfare of living creatures is more important than any photograph**. This means that practices such as baiting of subjects with a living creature and removal of birds from nests, for the purpose of obtaining a photograph, are highly unethical, and such photographs are not allowed in any exhibition with PSA recognition. Under no circumstances may a living creature be placed in a situation where it will be killed, injured or stressed for the purpose of obtaining a photograph. Images that show live creatures being fed to captive animals, birds or reptiles are not permitted under any circumstances.

There are also concerns about the use of aerial photography, drones, helicopters, low flying aircraft. These should not cause any interference with other individuals or animals which causes a disturbance in their normal activity or disrupt the way any individuals or animals interact with their environment. Entrants in PSA recognized exhibitions should comply with all relevant laws and regulations, associated with aerial photography, in the country in which the image was taken.

Entry into PSA recognized exhibitions is conditional on accepting these policies. The content of images must comply with the General Conditions and with the Division and Section definitions listed in these conditions. Images that - in the sole opinion of the judges- do not comply, will be disqualified so the entrant may be aware of the problem when considering entry into other exhibitions with PSA recognition.

PSA Monochrome Definition

An image is considered to be Monochrome only if it gives the impression of having no color (i.e. contains only shades of grey which can include pure black and pure white) OR it gives the impression of being a greyscale image that has been toned in one color across the entire image. (For example by Sepia, red, gold, etc.) A greyscale or multi-colored image modified or giving the impression of having been modified by partial toning, multi-toning or by the inclusion of spot coloring does not meet the definition of monochrome and shall be classified as a Color Work.

Greyscale Monochrome images may be entered for Nature, Photojournalism and Photo Travel but toned images are not permitted for these sections

Monochrome images may not be entered in color sections of PPD or PID.

Editing Guidelines for Nature, Photojournalism and Photo Travel

These sections require images to be truthful records, so there are limits on the amount of manipulation allowed.

PSA statement of subject matter applies to all sections.

Editing Guidelines

Processing or editing must be limited to making the image look as close to the original scene as possible, except that conversion to grayscale monochrome is allowed.

Allowed editing techniques:

- Cropping, straightening and perspective correction.
- Removal or correction of elements added by the camera or lens, such as dust spots, noise, chromatic aberration and lens distortion.
- Global and selective adjustments such as brightness, hue, saturation and contrast to restore the appearance of the original scene.
- Complete conversion of color images to grayscale monochrome.
- Blending of multiple images of the same subject and combining them in camera or with software (exposure blending or focus stacking);
- Image stitching – combining multiple images with overlapping fields of view that are taken consecutively (panoramas);

Editing techniques that are not allowed:

- Removing, adding to, moving or changing any part of an image, except for cropping and straightening.
- Adding a vignette during processing.
- Blurring parts of the image during processing to hide elements in the original scene.
- Darkening parts of the image during processing to hide elements in the original scene.
- All conversions other than to complete grayscale monochrome.
- Conversion of parts of an image to monochrome, or partial toning, desaturation or over-saturation of color

PSA/FIAP Nature Definition

Content Guidelines

- Nature photography records all branches of natural history except anthropology and archaeology. This includes all aspects of the physical world, both animate and inanimate, that have not been made or modified by humans.
- Nature images must convey the truth of the scene that was photographed. A well-informed person should be able to identify the subject of the image and be satisfied that it has been presented honestly and that no unethical practices have been used to control the subject or capture the image. Images that directly or indirectly show any human activity that threatens the life or welfare of a living organism are not allowed.
- The most important part of a Nature image is the nature story it tells. High technical standards are expected and the image must look natural.
- Objects created by humans, and evidence of human activity, are allowed in Nature images only when they are a necessary part of the Nature story.

- Photographs of human-created hybrid plants, cultivated plants, feral animals, domesticated animals, human-created hybrid animals and mounted or preserved zoological specimens are not allowed.
- Images taken with subjects under controlled conditions, such as zoos, are allowed.
- Controlling live subjects by chilling, anesthetic or any other method of restricting natural movement for the purpose of a photograph is not allowed.

Photo Travel

A Photo Travel image is a portrayal of the real world we live in, as it is found naturally. There are no geographic limitations.

Content guidance:

1. If the image is predominantly or exclusively a land-, sea- or cityscape, these “scapes” must include characteristic, distinctive and recognizable physical features, although it is not necessary that the image identify the exact location;
2. Images that predominantly or exclusively depict people and their activities must illustrate a distinctive culture of a country, region, or continent;
3. Images that predominately or exclusively depict animal populations are allowed, if the animals are in their native environment and are characteristic of that country, region, or continent;
4. Portraits or other close-ups of people or objects, in addition to meeting the above paragraphs as applicable, must include elements depicting some of the surrounding environment to make it obvious that the image was not taken in a studio setting;
5. Images from events or activities arranged for photography, or of subjects directed or hired for photography, are **NOT allowed**.
6. Time exposures are allowed, if they do not dominate the image as a special effect (star trails, for example, are a dominating effect).
7. Highly distorted images such as those produced by fish eye lenses are **NOT allowed**.

Non-compliance

See the PSA Ethics Policy at <https://psa-photo.org/page/ethical-practices>.

See the PSA statement on Subject Matter at <https://psa-photo.org/page/division-definitions>

If, in the-discretion of the exhibition organizer or the judges, an entrant has submitted that may fail to comply with these Conditions of Entry, they are allowed to request unedited or raw files of the submitted image.

For composite images all files are required.

Exhibition organizers may verify that:

- a) the images are the original work of the entrant
- b) the images comply with the rules and definitions as set out in these ES-COE

Such entries may be referred to PSA for further investigation of possible ethics violations.

PSA retains the right to investigate all complaints, impose penalties if deemed necessary, void the acceptances of any image found to violate the PSA rules, include the entrant's name on the list of sanctions provided to Exhibitions, and share such investigations with FIAP. Entrants automatically agree to these terms by the act of entering the Exhibition and agree to cooperate with any investigation.


If another party is processing and/or submitting images on the entrant's behalf, the entrant will still be held responsible for adhering to the entry rules **and will be subject to penalties for any violations** to these Conditions of Entry or to PSA's Statement of Ethics.

NOTICE: When entrants fill in the Entry Form to submit an entry they will see the following feature to affirm they have read these Conditions of Entry

"I hereby confirm that I have *read* and *understood* and *agree to* the Conditions of Entry of this exhibition. I have read and understood the PSA document to be found at https://psa-photo.org/resource/resmgr/pdf/exhibitions_/exhibition-entrants-agreemen.pdf . I am aware that PSA may apply penalties for non-compliance to these Conditions of Entry"

Failure to agree will mean that the application will not proceed.

The sponsors of this International Exhibition of Photography have been awarded Recognition by PSA, the world's largest patron of international photographic exhibitions. PSA, although it has provided recognition, is neither a sponsor nor directly involved in the operation of this exhibition.



Valid acceptances received by PSA Members in recognized sections of this exhibition are eligible for PSA Star Ratings, listing in the world-wide PSA Who's Who of Photography and credited towards the PSA Distinctions of QPSA, PPSA, EPSA, MPSA, MPSA2, GMPSA, GMPSA/B, GMPSA/S, GMPSA/G, and GMPSA/P.

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