

## RULES

### THE COMPETITION

Before entering the Commonwealth Photographic Awards, please read through these Rules. They contain all the information and criteria for entering this competition.

1. No entry fee is needed
2. All entrants must be over 18 years of age, unless otherwise stated for specific prizes. Entry is restricted to residents of Commonwealth countries and previous Regional or Overall winners may not enter.
3. The closing date is Friday 27 April 2007. All entries must be received on or before this date to be considered for this competition.
4. There are three categories in this competition:
  - the Regional/Overall Category award;
  - the 'Canberra Times/CPU Young Photographer' residency award;
  - the 'Three Pictures - One Story' award.

Entrants can only enter one category and may only enter once. Multiple entries may lead to disqualification.

5. The theme for all entries is '**Achievement**'. Please note that good interpretation of the theme is taken into consideration by the judges.

## HOW TO ENTER

### 6. FORMATS

#### FORMAT FOR REGIONAL/OVERALL CATEGORY

**No entry form is needed.**

**Prints** may be black & white or colour and no larger than 8" x 12" (230mm x 350mm). Larger prints will not be accepted.

**Digital** photographs can be supplied on a CD compatible with a windows-based PC.

#### FORMAT FOR CANBERRA TIMES RESIDENCY

**Entry must be on the form provided.** Entrants must be aged 21-25 at the time of entry and must submit three different photos relating to the theme '**Achievement**'. Entrants must be residents of developing Commonwealth countries and aged 21-25 on the deadline date of the competition, ie Friday 27 April 2007. Entrants must submit three images, all depicting the theme of the Awards but covering three different subjects or moments in time. Entrants must take up their residency within one year the Judges' announcement of the winners of the Awards.

**Prints** may be black & white or colour and must be 8" x 12" (230mm x 350mm). Larger prints will not be accepted.

**Digital** photographs can also be supplied on a CD compatible with a windows-based PC. The photographs must be clearly labelled on the CD in the file names as well as on the back of the printed off copies of the digital photos.

## **FORMAT FOR THREE PICTURES - ONE STORY**

**No entry form is needed.**

Entrants must submit three photos taken in sequence so that they tell a story relating to the theme '**Achievement**'.

**Prints** may be black & white or colour and must be 5" x 7" (or 130mm x 180mm). Larger or smaller prints will not be accepted. The sequence must be marked 1, 2 or 3 on labels on the back of each photograph.

**Digital** photographs can also be supplied on a CD compatible with a windows-based PC. The photographs sequence must be clearly labelled on the CD in the file names as well as on the back of the printed off copies of the digital photos.

## **7. ALL ENRIES**

- Entrants must indicate which of the three categories they are entering.
- Photographs must have been taken after 17 January 2004.
- Kindly say how you heard of the Awards.

## **LABELLING**

Please PRINT your name, address, email address, telephone, mobile and fax number on a label on the back of the photograph.

## **DIGITAL**

Digital images sent electronically will not be accepted.

Photographs should be submitted at their native resolution with no interpolation applied. Save images as TIFF or JPEG at the highest possible quality setting (e.g. 12 in Photoshop). The file on the CD should carry your full name (first and last name). You must submit a printed copy of the photograph with the CD and write in capital letters the file name on it together with your full contact details on the back of the photo.

## **8. CAPTION**

Include a paragraph (approx 50 words) explaining why you think your photograph is significant and giving details of what it shows. The captions are displayed with the winning photograph(s) in the exhibitions. *NB For the 'Three Photos - One Story' award, only one paragraph is required but for The Canberra Times award, one paragraph for each of the three entries should be submitted.*

## **9. WHERE TO SEND ENTRIES**

All entries should be sent to:

Photoawards,  
CPU,  
17 Fleet Street,  
London EC4Y 1AA,  
UK.

## **PRIZES**

10. There are six **Regional** winners. One Regional winner will be voted the **Overall** winner and will win £1,000 GBP. The remaining five **Regional** winners will each receive £250 GBP. Three further people from each region will be 'highly commended' and a further two people from each Region will be named as 'Runner-Up'. Unfortunately, these winners do not receive any prizes.

11. The winner of **The Canberra Times/CPU Young Photographer Award** will win a 4-week photographic residency at the paper.

12. The winner of the '**Three Photos - One Story**' category will win £250 GBP.

## **GENERAL**

13. Photograph(s) may be digitally enhanced to remove spots or scratches. Entrants may enhance the picture to make it brighter, clearer etc but not manipulate the content. The CPU and the judges reserve the right to exclude any photograph they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity.

14. You must be the sole author and owner of the copyright in the photograph(s) entered. By entering a photograph(s) into the Awards, you agree to grant a royalty-free non-exclusive licence to the CPU, its affiliates and sponsors of the competition for the photograph(s) entered to be published in connection with the competition.

15. Employees and agents of the CPU or any organisation or company connected with the competition are not eligible to take part in the competition, nor are their relatives or members of their families or households.

16. Judges will be appointed by the Commonwealth Press Union. The Judges' decision on all matters relating to the competition is final, and no correspondence will be entered into. Should the quality of entries fall below the standard required, the CPU reserves the right not to award prizes.

17. Entries will not be returned or acknowledged. Only winners will be contacted. The organisers accept no responsibility for entries lost, damaged or delayed in the post.

18. These rules and the competition are governed by English law.

19. The promoter is: Commonwealth Press Union, 17 Fleet Street, London EC4Y 1AA. For all queries contact +44 20 7583 7733 or email [jane@cpu.org.uk](mailto:jane@cpu.org.uk)