



Contest rules PHOTOGRAPHY

NELOS 20th International Underwater Photo & Video Festival

Provinciehuis Antwerpen 27-28 november 2010.

CATEGORIES

PHOTO MASTER

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| 1) PHOTOPRINT COLOR | GOLD – SILVER - BRONZE |
| 2) PHOTOPRINT BLACK&WHITE | GOLD – SILVER - BRONZE |

PHOTO BEGINNER

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| 3) PHOTOPRINT COLOR/BLACK&WHITE | GOLD – SILVER - BRONZE |
| 4) DIGITAL PORTFOLIO | GOLD – SILVER - BRONZE |

SLIDESHOW

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| 5) Digital slideshow (diaporama) | GOLD – SILVER - BRONZE |
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SPECIAL PRIZES

From all photo print entries, a jury will attribute a number of special prizes according to the topic.

Topics may include: best model photo - cover photo - nature conservation,

- Zeeland waters, Project Seahorse

Rules

Photography

- *The competition is open to all national and international photographers. Professional photographers are not allowed. The official languages of the festival are Dutch and English. For categories 1 to 5 each, three medals are awarded: gold, silver and bronze. In case of insufficient entries, the jury sets the right to merge or to make changes.*

For the "special prizes" one winner for each prize will be chosen amongst all submitted photo prints regardless of category. Concerning the judging of the special prizes, the jury will be assisted by a representative of the sponsor of that price.

A photo print or digital image can only win once in the category of "special prizes".

Entries from previous "Nelos" contests are not allowed.

All works must be received no later than October 15 by the organizers. They should be sent to:

- **FOTO&FILM FESTIVAL NELOS**
- **p.a. Duikershuis Nelos, Brusselsesteenweg 313-315,**
- **2800 Mechelen, België.**

The subscription fee is € 5 per photo sent or digital portfolio.

The participation fee is € 10 for the first slide show.

€ 5 for each additional slide show.

Each contestant may submit multiple works in the same or different categories.

The total registration fee must be at least € 15 (photos + digital sets). Further, the participating photographers will have personally free access throughout the duration of the festival.

The registration fee must be paid into account:

737-0147729 - 41 of the AC NELOS IBAN: BE88 7370 1477 2941

BIC: KREDBEBB

The communication state: NELOS festival 2010 + name of participant.

Bank name: kredietbank

Beginner: NELOS photographer Level I or Level I candidates (enrolled in a course at a NELOS Instructor) which have not won any gold medal in NELOS underwater photography contests junior division / novice.

Master: All other photographers.

Photo prints:

All photo print entries must be accompanied by a digital image carrier, CD or DVD, with a digital version of the submitted works.

Minimum resolution 300 dpi, 1920x1280. It also must contain a photograph of the photographer. (Portrait). Both photos in JPEG.

The submitted prints have a maximum size of 30 cm to 45 cm, and are not smaller than 30 cm to 40 cm. They should not be framed and are to be delivered, preferably on solid surface in a sturdy envelope (not on a roll!). The maximum thickness (incl.underground) 2.5 mm.

On the back, the name of the author, address, phone number, title, and selected

category (1 to 3) are clearly stated.

Entries with insufficient postage or after the above date arrived, are automatically disqualified.

Photos: The organizers of the festival will try to show all works. Only a selection of the best 200 works will be appropriately exhibited. All works will be projected on screens. (Beamer), in the exhibition hall during the festival

The subject is free, but must clearly be taken under water.
half / half shots are allowed.

Digital portfolio:

This category for the juniors, consists of a portfolio of three images in "jpg". Minimum resolution 300 dpi, 1920x1280, or the highest resolution your camera allows, delivered on a digital carrier (CD, DVD, ...)

The subject is free. All images will be named:

"Familyname.Firstname.DP.number(1.2 or 3). Jpg"

Each participant may submit more than one portfolio, but can only win one prize in that category. When submitting multiple portfolios, follows a numbering after the filename. DP

Eg: "bond.james.DP1.1.jpg"

Digital slideshow :

The images can be stored on a CD-ROM or DVD. This should be done with a "wmw" file, "exe" file, "mpg" file or a standard DVD. The writing must clearly closed. If in doubt ask confirmation of ability to play by the organization.

The show must consist of minimum 60% underwater images.

The performance should not be less than 2 minutes and not more than 9 minutes, including titles and finishing.

Each participant may submit more than one slideshow, but can only win one prize in that category.

The decision of the jury is final and not negotiable. No correspondence regarding the decision of the jury will be conducted.

All submitted work can be used by NELOS, BEFOS, for promotional non-commercial purposes without compensation, provided the name of the author is clearly indicated. All winning work in the category "Special prizes" can be used by the sponsor of the price for promotional purposes without compensation, provided the name of the author is mentioned.

The audiovisual commission NELOS takes no responsibility for damage or loss of submitted work or registration fee.

Through the registration the participant agrees with these rules. The non-compliance with these regulations, will have the effect of elimination of the participant, without refund of registration fees.

The projection of the winning works and award ceremony, category "Photography", will be held on Saturday, November 27, 2010 at 18.00 hours at the festival. The prizes won by participants who can not attend the festival, remain available one month after this date.

No prizes shall be sent to addresses of Belgian participants.

After the festival, all material is to be collected at the
Secretariat NELOS:
Brusselsesteenweg 313 to 315
2800 Mechelen Belgium

Grouped footage can be arranged, provided proxy signed document from the authors is delivered.

No pictures will be sent to addresses in Belgium. Unclaimed works will be kept in the archives or will be destroyed, if not collected one month after the festival ends.

Foreign entries are charged € 20 (taxipost europe + / - 5 kg) by inscription, for the return of their works, or they choose not to receive back the entries.