Wildlife Photography Competition

With judges - Raymond Besant and Richard Shucksmith

Terms and Conditions

All photographers are invited to submit their best wildlife photographs from Orkney, into one of two sections, 16 and under, and 17 and over, on the day of entry closure date.

Entries open on Monday 15th May, and close on Tuesday 15th August, with the winners to be announced during the festival, 7-13th September.
All entries must be submitted by 17:00 PM Greenwich Mean Time ("GMT") on Tuesday 15th August.

The 2 winners will receive prizes up to the value of £40. The 16 and under will receive a book voucher donated by The Orcadian Bookshop valued at £40 and the 17 and over will receive a lens clean, valued at £40, from Findlays Photoshop. A print of their photo, supplied by WHB Sutherland, will be displayed in Kirkwall during the festival and used in the festival’s marketing material, online and hardcopy.

The photos may be printed in the national media.

Entries for the competition are open to anyone.
Participants under 18 must have permission from their parent or guardian to enter.
If the participant is under 18, their parent or guardian has to enter for them.
The image has to have been taken in Orkney of the wildlife in Orkney.
The image cannot have been previously published or won a competition.
Entries can be with any camera (including a phone camera).
Entries can be in any format including landscape, portrait or square.

All entrants understand and agree that Orkney International Science Festival and its competition partners may use any image submitted to the competition for marketing and promotional purposes. You retain your rights to your photograph, but, by submitting your photo, you grant Orkney International Science Festival and its partners a royalty-free, worldwide, irrevocable, non-exclusive licence to use, publish, display, and distribute the photo on official websites and social channels.

A maximum of two photographs may be submitted per photographer, and the photographer must hold the copyright for each image. The first two received will be taken as entries, and no changes / amendments will be accepted once an image is submitted.

Entries should be submitted via online to e.woodcock@oifs.org and include the following information:

- Your name and a valid email address.
- The location where the photograph was taken (all photos entered must have been taken in Orkney).
- A caption for your photo.
- The name which you are happy to be made public if you are picked as a winner.
- The photo file.

Participants represent and warrant that

- the photographs submitted are original and that they own the rights to their photographs
- the photographs do not violate the rights of any third party
- the photographs do not convey a false or misleading impression
- All information submitted about the photographs are accurate.

By participating in this competition you will be deemed to have read and accepted all of the Terms and Conditions. Failure to comply with any of the Terms and Conditions will disqualify you from participating in the competition.