

Professional Photographers of North Carolina 2019 Print Competition Rules and Guidelines

PURPOSE

The purpose of this competition is to challenge professional photographer's creativity and allow them to match their work against that of their peers. Submitted images and albums will be judged relative to the 12 elements of a merit print. Please visit <https://bit.ly/2Wk5A1u> to learn more.

These rules pertain to entries created by traditional photographic processes as well as those captured or created electronically.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Any one may enter. Only active members of PPNC in good standing with dues paid and received by PPNC prior to the entry's submission will be eligible for PPNC awards. **Active members are members who attend at least one PPNC function per year.**

2. Portrait Open Category: Entrants must have captured and/or created the original exposure. All entries and elements contained within must have been sourced, composited, manipulated and/or produced digitally by the entrant.

3. Artist Category: All digital work must be done by the entrant, however, the original source components may be created by others.

4. Entries can be of any combination of Portrait Open and/or Artist.

5. Entries may be of the same subject, model, or scene. However, each image must be distinctly unique.

6. Entries previously entered, including any image from an album, and merited (receiving a score of 80 or higher) in a PPNC Exhibit are not eligible.

7. Entry media is digital format only.

8. The entrants name SHALL NOT appear anywhere in or on the image entry.

9. Entries created under the direction of an instructor are not allowed and will be subject to disqualification.

DIGITAL IMAGE SUBMISSION

- Image entries will be submitted through www.printcompetition.com.
- Uploaded files must be sized so the longest dimension is 4,000 pixels.
- Each file must contain an embedded color profile of either sRGB or Adobe RGB1998 and be saved at a JPEG quality setting of 10.
- If after the upload you do not see a thumbnail please contact support@PrintCompetition.com for assistance.



ALBUM ENTRY SUBMISSION

All album entries must be submitted digitally. A set of digital files, in sequential layout, will be judged via digital format. You must designate each album in a category: Wedding or Non-Wedding.

- All page/spread files must have the longest file dimension at 4000 pixels (20 inches at 200 ppi), have an embedded color profile of either sRGB or Adobe RGB 1998 and be saved at a JPEG quality setting of 10.
- Each page/spread can contain as many images as you see fit.
- A minimum of 5 page/spreads and maximum of 20 page/spreads will be accepted.
- Files (page/spread) are to be numbered in viewing order.
- All files must be compressed into ZIP files for submission to www.printcompetition.com.
- Studio name or entrants name SHALL NOT appear within the album files.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION CATEGORIES

You may enter unlimited number of entries. Your top 6 scores will be combined for choosing case awards.

Portrait

Images where the main center of interest is a living subject.

Sub categories:

- Children/Babies
- Men
- Women
- Groups
- Pets and Animals
 - High School Senior

Non-Portraits

For example: flowers, still life, etc.

Subcategories

- Fine Art/Illustrative
- Scenic/Landscapes
- Commercial
- Photojournalism
- Wildlife

Wedding

Must be commissioned/paid wedding.

Sub categories:

- Non Wedding Day (wedding related images such as Bride or Groom alone, engagements, Trash the dress etc)
- Wedding Day

Albums

Sub categories:

- Weddings
- Non Wedding

Artist (formerly EI)

This category allows the entrant to demonstrate their electronic imaging skills and expertise. In addition to the 12 Elements, entries will be judged for digital, artistic and technical proficiency. Entries must have been sourced, composited, manipulated and/or produced by digital means. Images entered in this category may not be entered in any other category. [*continued*]

While the digital work must have been performed by the entrant, the individual elements within the image may have been created by someone else so long as the entrant has permission to use the elements.

Nouveau

Open category and for those who have never entered a professional print competition. **First time entrants only!!**

Aspiring

Open category for children of PPNC members, ages 18 and under.



FEES

• Early entries - \$20 each before midnight July 25th 2019

• Late entries - \$25 each between July 26th and 5pm August 1st 2019

• American Color Imaging (ACI), will again be printing all digital entries submitted before deadline. **DEADLINE TO HAVE YOUR ENTRIES PRINTED BY ACI IS MIDNIGHT, JULY 25TH, 2019.**

*NOTE: NON PPNC members may enter, however, will not be eligible for awards. ONLY Active Members (members who attend at least 1 PPNC function yearly) are eligible for PPNC Print Awards

****The decision of the Salon Chairman is final. Failure to comply with these rules may result in disqualification entry. ****