



# 1<sup>st</sup> Glad Camera International Digital Exhibition



2024-05

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Sections:    **A General Colour**  
              **B General Monochrome**  
              **C Nature (Colour or B/W)**  
              **D Travel (Colour or B/W)**

All patronages:        **FIAP Patronage:                    2024/0**  
                              **GPU License                                L2**  
                              **Nordic Society of Photography 2024/0**  
                              **AFCC   2024-05**

Entry fee:                **20 € first section and 5 €/section or 22 \$ first section and 5\$/sections.**

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Group Entries            5 authors – 10% discount  
                              Over 10 authors– 20% discount

Note: Group entries refer to photo clubs, associations and other photo organizations. In order to get the special group entry fee offer, the group secretary should send member list to [sdca@sksl.fi](mailto:sdca@sksl.fi) before the registration of each member. Each group member should register individually, and upload images in his personal profile (entering identical postal address for

catalogue shipping for all group members is mandatory!) The organizer would send a general invoice to the group secretary, which once paid, status would be automatically reflected as 'paid' in all member profiles.

**Calendar:**

- Upload time start: 15th July 2024**
- Closing date: 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024**
- Judging: 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024**
- Notification 26<sup>th</sup> October 2024**
- Awards/on-line catalogues sent 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024**
- Exhibition Opening 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**Judges for all sections:**

**Peter Christiansen, photographer, Sweden**  
**Lassi Marttila, Artists, Italy**  
**Ari Laine, EFIAP, Finland**

**Back-up judge:** **Vili Kuronen EFIAP/b, Finland**

**Awards:** **Full series of medals:**

**Best author of Exhibition, FIAP blue pins, and 300 €.**

**4 FIAP Gold, 20 FIAP Honourable Mention,**

**4 GPU Gold, 20 GPU Honourable Mentions,**

**4 NFFF Gold, 20 NFFF Honourable Mentions,**

**4 AFCC Gold, 20 AFCC Honourable Mention,**

**20 SDCA Honourable Mention**

**The happiest photo will receive a special prize of €200 and SDCA HM.**

**The image can be from any section accepted image.**

**a total of 118 prizes**

**Catalogue** All entrants will be sent a link to the pdf-catalogue, which can be downloaded at the salon web page.

**Entry:** **Register on our web site and upload your photos**

<https://gladcamera.fotogenius.es/>

**Information and rules:** <https://www.gladcamera.com>

## **EXHIBITION REQUIREMENTS**

**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 Conditions of Entry. Membership in any photographic organization is not required.

**Sanctions:** Entries will not be accepted from any entrant who is currently sanctioned by FIAP.

### **Image Creation**

Entries must originate as photographs (image-captures of objects via light sensitivity) made by the entrant on photographic emulsion or acquired digitally.

### **Certification:**

By virtue of submitting an image, the entrant certifies the work as his or her own. (Images may not incorporate elements produced by anyone else (for example: clip art, images or art by others downloaded from the Internet). Aliases are not allowed. 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. Note: Entrants who indicate that their images may not be reproduced or used “will not be eligible for awards” or inclusion in audio-visuals of the exhibition “and could be subject to disqualification” by the exhibition sponsors. The exhibition assumes no liability of any misuse of copyright

**Alteration and Computer Generation** Subject to Divisional restrictions (particularly Nature, Photo Travel, and Photojournalism) images may be altered, either electronically or otherwise, by the maker. Adjustments to enhance images or creatively modify images are allowed providing the underlying photograph is retained in a way that is obvious to the viewer. Images may not be constructed entirely with a computer, and must be the sole work of the author

**Re-use of accepted images:** Once an image has been accepted in this exhibition it may not be entered again in any future instances of this exhibition. It may, of course, be entered in any other PSA/FIAP recognised exhibitions but **must always have the same title**.

**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.

### **Titles:**

Each image must have a unique title **that is a description of the image**. That unique title must be used for entry of that image or of an identical Image into any and all FIAP, GPU, NFFF, 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 maker. 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.

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                  **<https://gladcamera.fotogenius.es>**

### **Image and file sizes**

All images must be maximum 1920 pixels horizontal and 1080 pixels vertical side including any borders. Images must be saved as jpg files of a good quality. The file size of a picture

must not exceed 2 MB. Oversized images will be rejected and the entrant will be required to resubmit their entry with properly sized images. The colour profile must be sRGB. The organizer is planning to arrange an exhibition with prints of the awarded works. It is recommended to participate with images with before said pixel dimensions and best quality jpg-compression. The organizer may ask for larger files for printing to exhibition and catalogue.

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

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.

An image may be entered in only one section.

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**Judgement:**

The judging will take place remotely as an on-line judging. All judges will be using equipment capable of displaying images at 100%. Per FIAP rules the acceptance rate target is at 25%.

The awards will be defined together. The works are shown to the jury either with Samsung 4K display or by Optoma beamer with 1920x1080 resolution by its nature.

If at any time, it is determined in the reasonable discretion of the exhibition organizer or the judges before, during, or after the judging of an exhibition that an entrant has submitted entries where one or more images may fail to comply with these Conditions of Entry, including the stated definitions, the exhibition organizers reserve the right to delete the entry from the exhibition and void any or all acceptances or awards in connection with the exhibition. Fees may be forfeited or refunded in these circumstances. The entrant acknowledges that the decision of the exhibition organizers or the judges is final.

In order to ensure that images comply with the Conditions of Entry and definitions, the exhibition organizers may carry out reasonable measures to verify that:

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

These steps include, but are not limited to, questioning any entrant, requiring the submission of RAW files or other digital files representing the original capture of the submitted image(s), confronting the entrant.

## **DATA PROTECTION**

By entering this exhibition, you are explicitly consenting to the personal details you have supplied, including 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 and accept that entering this exhibition means that the status and results of your entry may be made public.

## **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 FIAP patronage or 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 FIAP patronage or 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. This rule applies regardless of whether or not the creature being killed, injured or stressed is visible in the captured image.

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.

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

### **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.

### **FIAP Nature Definition**

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 recorded. 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 is not allowed.

No modification that changes the truth of a Nature image is allowed. Images may be cropped but no other technique that removes, adds or moves any part of the image is allowed.

Techniques that remove elements added by the camera, such as dust spots, digital noise and lens flare are allowed.

Complete conversion of colour images to greyscale monochrome is allowed. Partial conversion, toning and infrared captures or derivations are not allowed.

Multiple images of the same subject that are combined in camera or with software by focus stacking, exposure blending or stitching (images taken consecutively and combined by overlapping) are allowed

### **Travel Definition**

A Photo Travel image expresses the characteristic features or culture of a land as they are found naturally. There are no geographical limitations. Images from events or activities arranged specifically for photography, or of subjects directed or hired for photography are not permitted.

Close up pictures of people or objects must include features that provide information about the location.

Techniques that add, relocate, replace or remove any element of the original image, except by cropping, are not permitted. The only allowable adjustments are removal of dust or digital noise, restoration of the appearance of the original scene, and complete conversion to greyscale monochrome. Other derivations, including infrared, are not permitted. All images must look natural.

### **Vignettes and Borders**

For the purpose of this exhibition vignettes are not allowed in Photo Travel Digital images. Any border added must be a single border of white or grey, no greater than 3 -5 pixels in width.

### **Breaches of Rules**

#### **FIAP:**

The mention that by the sole act of submitting his/her images or files to a salon under FIAP Patronage, the entrant accepts without exception and with no objection the following terms: - that the submitted images can be investigated by FIAP to establish if these obey to FIAP regulations and definitions even if the entrant is not a member of FIAP, - that FIAP will use any means at its disposal for this undertaking, - that any refusal to cooperate with FIAP or any refusal to submit the original files as captured by the camera, or failure to provide sufficient evidence, will be sanctioned by FIAP, - that in case of sanctions following the non compliance with FIAP regulations, the name of the entrant will be released in any form useful to inform the breaches of the rules. It is recommended to leave the EXIF data in the submitted files intact in order to ease eventual investigations. If, at any time, it is determined in the reasonable discretion of the exhibition organizer or the judges before, during, or after the judging of an exhibition that an entrant has submitted entries where one or more images may fail to comply with these Conditions of Entry, including the stated definitions, the exhibition organizers reserve the right to delete the entry from the exhibition and void any or all acceptances or awards in connection with the exhibition. Fees may be forfeited or refunded in these circumstances. The entrant acknowledges that the decision of the exhibition organizers or the judges is final

**FIAP NOTICE** In order to have legal authority on those who do not respect the rules of FIAP, the organiser must make sure that all participants of an online event under FIAP Patronage tick a box next to which the following text is stated:

"I hereby expressly agree to FIAP document 018/2017 « Conditions and regulations for FIAP Patronage » and FIAP document 017/2017 « Sanctions for breaching FIAP regulations and the red list ». I am particularly aware of chapter II « Regulations for International photographic events under FIAP patronage » of FIAP document 018/2017, dealing under Section II.2 and II.3 with the FIAP participation rules, the sanctions for breaching FIAP regulations and the red list.

FIAP documents 018/2017 and 017/2017 must be linked to this paragraph so that participants can consult it

## **RULES**

**1) Digital images are accepted to the themes A, B, C, D.**

- A) Open colour. This covers all subjects and includes creative images. Monochrome images may not be entered in Colour sections.
- B) Open monochrome. This covers all subjects and includes creative images.
- C) Nature. Colour and monochrome images accepted.
- D) Travel. Colour and monochrome images accepted.

**2) This competition is run under FIAP, NFFF, AFCC and GPU rules.**

FIAP = Fédération Internationale de l'Art Photographique

PSA = Photographic Society of America

NFFF = Nordic Photographic society

SKsL = AFCC = Association of Finnish Camera Clubs

GPU = Global Photographic Union

SDCA = Stella Development Consulting Association SDCA ry

All acceptances accrues to FIAP, GPU, SKsL (AFCC) and Nordic Society of Photography (NFFF) honorary titles.

**3) Each entrant is limited to 4 (four) images per section.**

Entries are limited to not more than 4 images per section, category, or class.

An author may not enter identical or similar photographs into different categories and sections of the same salon. A monochrome image and a colour image from the same capture are considered the same image and must have the same title.

All parts of the image have to be photographed by the author who is holding the copyright of all works submitted.

**4) It is strictly forbidden to the author to put text, a signature or any other distinctive mark on any work.**

**5) Work names**

There is need of special naming of images; the given name will be used in the catalogue. Entrants are encouraged to type the names the way they will be printed.

**6) Following FIAP rules**

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evidence, will be sanctioned by FIAP, - that in case of sanctions following the non-compliance with FIAP regulations, the name of the entrant will be released in any form useful to inform the breaches of the rules. As mentioned in II.2) it is recommended to leave the EXIF data in the submitted files intact in order to ease eventual investigations.

Each entrant to FIAP salons must observe the rules of FIAP and conform to the regulations of the present document and document 017/2017. Any author, whose image shows any suspicions about the compliance with FIAP regulations or definitions, can be requested by the organiser or by FIAP, to submit the original capture file (file containing the data recorded by the sensor; ie: the RAW or the original unretouched JPEG files) plus the file of the images immediately before and immediately following the questionable image. If he/she fails to provide what is required, he/she can be sanctioned. The names of sanctioned entrants will be put on a list, which will be sent to the organisers of FIAP salons. Their participation in any event of FIAP will be restricted or banned depending on the case. In addition they cannot be appointed as judges of FIAP salons, in a salon under FIAP patronage, organise a salon with FIAP patronage, nor apply for FIAP distinctions and they lose the right to use any FIAP distinctions they have formerly received. **IMPORTANT:** Concerning digital entries, authors must preserve intact with no alteration, the original metadata of images. In case of dispute relating to compliance with FIAP regulations, the fact of FIAP not being able to access this important data could result in the author being sanctioned. Any person who is found guilty of using photographic material that was not captured in camera by that person will be excluded for life from FIAP activities. Salon chairmen, persons closely involved in the organisation of the salon and persons in charge of the handling of the salon software are not allowed to participate in the salon.

- 7) **Permission to reproduce any image in an internet exhibition and in online and pdf-catalogue is assumed.** Also permission to reproduce any image in printed catalogue is assumed. The accepted pictures will be shown as a presentation in the Salon shows.
- 8) **The organizers may refuse to accept an entry, image or title at their discretion.**
- 9) **Copyright**  
The exhibition assumes no liability for any misuse of copyright. Copyright of the images accepted for catalogue and support of our salon retained by the author.
- 10) **Entries must originate as photographs, i.e. image captures via light sensitivity, made by the entrant.**
- 11) **By virtue of submitting an entry the entrant certifies the work as his own and 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 includes web galleries.**
- 12) **Submission of an entry signifies acceptance of all our conditions.** The same image (monochrome or Colour version) cannot be enter different sections of exhibitions in the

same year. In previous exhibitions, images approved for exhibition may not be offered for the second time.

- 13) NOTICE: When an entrant fills in the Entry Form to submit an entry the entrant will see a feature to affirm he or she has read these Conditions of Entry when he or she fills out the entry form. If the entrant does not so affirm the entry will not be submitted.**

All entries shall conform to the stricter of these definitions for acceptances to be validated by all the International Organizations granting recognition or patronage

- 14) FIAP Monochrome definition**

Definition of the black and white photography (monochrome) A black and white work fitting from the very dark grey (black) to the very clear grey (white) is a monochrome work with the various shades of grey. A black and white work toned entirely in a single colour will remain a monochrome work able to stand in the black and white category; such a work can be reproduced in black and white in the catalogue of a salon under FIAP Patronage. On the other hand a black and white work modified by a partial toning or by the addition of one colour becomes a colour work (polychrome) to stand in the colour category; such a work requires colour reproduction in the catalogue of a salon under FIAP Patronage.

- 15) FIAP Nature Definition**

Definition of Nature Photography Nature photography is restricted to the use of the photographic process to depict all branches of natural history, except anthropology and archaeology, in such a fashion that a well-informed person will be able to identify the subject material and certify its honest presentation. The story telling value of a photograph must be weighed more than the pictorial quality while maintaining high technical quality. Human elements shall not be present, except where those human elements are integral parts of the nature story such as nature subjects, like barn owls or storks, adapted to an environment modified by humans, or where those human elements are in situations depicting natural forces, like hurricanes or tidal waves. Scientific bands, scientific tags or radio collars on wild animals are permissible. Photographs of human created hybrid plants, cultivated plants, feral animals, domestic animals, or mounted specimens are ineligible, as is any form of manipulation that alters the truth of the photographic statement.

No techniques that add, relocate, replace, or remove pictorial elements except by cropping are permitted. Techniques that enhance the presentation of the photograph without changing the nature story or the pictorial content, or without altering the content of the original scene, are permitted including HDR, focus stacking and dodging/burning.

Techniques that remove elements added by the camera, such as dust spots, digital noise, and film scratches, are allowed. Stitched images are not permitted. All allowed adjustments must appear natural. Colour images can be converted to greyscale monochrome. Infrared images, either direct-captures or derivations, are not allowed.

Images entered in Nature sections meeting the Nature Photography Definition above can have landscapes, geologic formations, weather phenomena, and extant organisms as the

primary subject matter. This includes images taken with the subjects in controlled conditions, such as zoos, game farms, botanical gardens, aquariums and any enclosure where the subjects are totally dependent on man for food.

## **17) Payment**

Entry fee payment could be made with credit/debit cards through PayPal (even without registration).

Each participant would be redirected to PayPal website for payment during entry registration process. Entry fee is 25 € for first section and 5€/section.

Entries without fees or with incorrect fees will be rejected.

### **Drone Photography Rules (legal operation):**

Drones are legally described as an unmanned aircraft system (UAS) which can produce either a single image or multiple images which are shown as video and is controlled by an operator (photographer) on the ground.

All UAS operators are responsible for knowing and following all laws and regulations where they operate, whether local, state, national or international, particularly in parks, refuges, recreational and designated wilderness areas.

The following United States FAA Requirements as of August 2019 are included as a courtesy. Contact the FAA at [www.FAA.gov/UAS](http://www.FAA.gov/UAS) or the country where photographing for the most up-to-date rules:

The rules for the use and flight of UAS are different in different countries and any PSA member must follow and adhere to the rules of the country where the images are captured.

Aerial Photography (International): Many countries have their own rules and regulations governing aerial photography, especially drone, usage. It is the responsibility of the Photographer (pilot) to be informed of the polices of the country or region in which they are flying (photographing). When submitting aerial images that depict a foreign country the photographer must include a statement that all applicable rules and regulations of that country have been observed.

Ce salon a reçu le Haut Patronage de la FIAP  
This salon has received the High Patronage of FIAP

**2020/xxx**



**Fédération Internationale de l'Art Photographique  
International Federation of Photographic Art**

Fédérations et associations nationales, associations régionales  
et clubs affiliés sur les cinq continents.

National federations and associations, regional associations  
and clubs affiliated on all five continents.

Distinctions photographiques mondialement reconnues.  
World-famed photographic distinctions.

Les acceptations obtenues à ce salon  
comptent pour l'attribution des distinctions FIAP.

Acceptances obtained in this salon  
are taken into account for FIAP distinctions.

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**GLOBAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNION - GPU (former UPI)**

is a worldwide interactive organization for anyone interested in photography, be they casual, serious amateurs or professional photographers.

Founded in Goirle, The Netherlands, September 2007, GPU brings together professional and amateur enthusiasts of all ages and levels of achievement. As a nonprofit organization, its mission is to promote and enhance the art and science of photography in all its phases.

Individual members are offered a wide variety of activities: photo and digital competitions, photo exhibitions in different countries, study groups via mail, web site access, photo books, magazines, Photo festivals, distinctions, titles, and a raft of other activities.

Have look on the site: [www.gpuphoto.com](http://www.gpuphoto.com)



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