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Dear Principal / Head of Art / Photography Club

PSSA SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The National PSSA Schools Competition is about to take place and we would appreciate it if you could inform your learners about this competition. While not every school has a Photography Club, there are the individual learners who are keen on photography and could benefit from exhibiting their work. The Top 10 images will be printed and exhibited at the PSSA stand at the Annual Photo Expo at the Coca Cola Dome.

There will be **PSSA Bronze Medals** for the Junior and Senior category winners and Certificates for the school with the most entries as well as the school with the most successful entries. The competition will be administrated on Photovaultonline.com and all entries must be submitted electronically.

The theme for the School Photography Competition is open and will be judged by a panel of judges within the following criteria:

- **Mobile Compact Camera (Cellphone / Tablet / iPad) CATEGORY** for images taken with Compact Camera / Cellphone / Tablet / iPad
- **DSLR CATEGORY** for advanced Photographers (Digital Single Lens Reflex Camera)

There are many excellent and creative young photographers in our country and we would appreciate your co-operation in giving them the opportunity to be acknowledged.

All winners will be notified via the **PSSA Website** and the **Top 10 Images in each category** will be on exhibition at:

PhotoExpo 2013 held from 31st October until the 3rd November 2013 at the Coca-Cola Dome in Johannesburg

If you need any additional information please contact **Sarel Naude on 071 895 7737** or email to upandcoming@pssa.co.za.

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PRIZES

1. **PSSA Bronze Medal** for the winners of each category
2. Certificate for the Overall winner for the Primary School category
3. Certificate for the Overall winner for the High School Category.
4. Certificate for the School with the most entries
5. Certificate for the School with the most successful entries
6. Certificates of Merit for outstanding images
7. Certificates of participation for all entrants

COMPETITION RULES:

1. The competition will be open to all schools in South Africa.
2. The competition will be conducted in accordance with the recommended guidelines of PSSA (Photographic Society of South Africa). **Acceptances will be awarded to the top 20%** of the authors will receive an acceptance card for qualifying within the 20% acceptance criteria.
3. In order to participate in the Schools Photographic competition it is required that the School registers as a club. **If your school name does not appear on the Photovault Photographic club list please contact Sarel Naude to register.**
4. The scholars then submit their entries under the school's name.
5. Images must be uploaded onto the Internet using www.photovaultonline.com and **no entry fee is required.**
6. Winners will be notified via PSSA Website www.pssa.co.za and by means of electronic notification via www.photovaultonline.com.
7. All entries must be resized to a maximum of 1024 pixels on the horizontal axis and a maximum of 768 pixels on the vertical axis. **A maximum of 4 images will be allowed per entrant.**
8. Files must be saved in the jpeg format and compressed to 500kb or less.
9. **By submitting your photographs for this competition you:**
 - Declare that the photograph(s) are your own original work and were taken by you.
 - Declare that you are not violating the rights of any third party (which include, but are not limited to copyright, trademark, privacy, publicity or personal rights).
 - Grant permission to the organizers and The Weekend Post to use and produce your Photos for publicity relating to this competition. Acknowledgement will be given to the photographer.
10. The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
11. Prizes will be awarded to the successful participants at the **PhotoExpo 2013** prize giving ceremony on the 3rd November 2013
12. Submissions of entries signifies acceptance of the conditions of entry and no late entries will be accepted, judged or exhibited.
 - i. Calendar: Closing Date: 28 September 2013
 - ii. Judging: 5 October 2013
 - iii. Results: 13 October 2013
 - iv. PhotoExpo Exhibition 30th October until 3 November 2013

If your school would like to start a photography club, please contact **Sarel Naude 071 895 7737** or upandcoming@pssa.co.za.