

Swartland Fotografieklub

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7th Swartland Fotografieklub Digital Salon 2019

Presentation Mediums

HD Projected Digital Images & Prints

PSSA Patronage # 2020/12

Members of the Photographic Society of South Africa (PSSA) worldwide, as well as all photographers residing in South Africa, are cordially invited to participate in this National Salon of Photography. The Salon will be conducted within the requirements and practices as prescribed by PSSA.

SALON DIRECTOR:

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SALON CATEGORIES

Project Digital Images:

- Category A: Nature no Birds no Scapes
- Category B: Nature Birds only
- Category C: Scapes
- Category D: People
- Category E: Open Colour
- Category F: Monochrome Open

<u>Prints</u>

- Category G: Prints Open Colour
- Category H: Prints Open Monochrome

SALON CALENDAR:

- Closing date: 28 September 2019
- Judging: Live finished by 13 October 2019.
- Results mailed not later than 20 October 2019.
- Medals mailed by 10 November 2019
- Exhibition will be held daily from 29 Nov 6 Dec 2019 at the Emunah Gallery, Drie Geuwels Centre, Mark Street, Malmesbury.

AWARDS:

Projected Digital Images (PDI):

- PSSA Silver medal for the winner in each category.
- Swartland Club Silver medal for the runner-up in each category.
- Certificates of Merit (electronic format) will be awarded according to PSSA guidelines.
- No acceptance cards will be issued

Prints:

- PSSA Silver medal for the winner in each category (if > than 50 entries; < 50: Bronze medal).
- Swartland Club Silver medal for the runner-up in each category.
- Certificates of Merit (electronic format) will be awarded according to PSSA guidelines.

ADJUDICATING PANEL:

Category A: Nature - no Birds, no Scapes (Colour Digital)

- Kim Stevens (APSSA) Cape Town Photographic Society
- Detlef Basel (LPSSA) Cape Town Photographic Society
- Ken Woods Cape Town Photographic Society

Date of Judging: 5 October 2019

Venue: St Stephens Church Hall, No 7 Central Square, Pinelands

Category B: Nature – Birds only (Colour Digital)

- Christo le Grange (LPSSA, JAP) Tygerberg Photographic Society
- Lynne Kruger-Haye (LPSSA) Tygerberg Photographic Society
- Francois du Bois (JAP) Tygerberg Photographic Society

Date of Judging: 5 October 2019

Venue: Hall Saints Anglican Church, Durbanville.

Category C: Scapes (Colour Digital)

- Juan Venter (APSSA) Tafelberg Afrikaanse Fotografieklub
- Manie Wessels (APSSA, EPSSA) Tafelberg Afrikaanse Fotografieklub
- Mariana Visser (JAP) Tafelberg Afrikaanse Fotografieklub
- Date of Judging: 03 October 2019

Venue: Chrismar Villas Aftree-oord, Jessiestraat, Bellville

Category D: People (Colour Digital)

- Phillip de Lange (APSSA) Swartland Fotografieklub
- Herman Olivier (JAP) Swartland Fotografieklub
- Anne Wyeth (LPSSA)

Date of Judging: 5 October 2019

Venue: "Die Kelder", Dutch Reformed Church, 40 Bergzicht Street, Malmesbury.

Category E: Open (Colour Digital)

- Clifford Wyeth (LPSSA, LPSSA)
- Louise de Lange (JAP) Swartland Fotografieklub
- Derick Nel Swartland Fotografieklub

Date of Judging: 05 October 2019

Venue: "Die Kelder", Dutch Reformed Church, 40 Bergzicht Street, Malmesbury.

Category F: Open Monochrome Digital

- Marlene le Grange (LPSSA, AFIAP) Tygerberg Photographic Society
- Andre Stipp (LPSSA) Tygerberg Photographic Society
- Stephen Burgstahler (LPSSA) Tygerberg Photographic Society
 Date of Judging: 05 October 2019
 Venue: Hell Spints Applican Church Durbenville

Venue: Hall Saints Anglican Church, Durbanville.

Category G: Prints - Open Colour

- Shaun Laishley LPSSA; AFIAP Cape Town Photographic Society
- Margaret Collins Cape Town Photographic Society
- Nicol du Toit Cape Town Photographic Society
 Date of Judging: 5 October 2019
 Venue: St Stephens Church Hall, No 7 Central Square, Pinelands

Category H: Prints - Open Monochrome

- Shaun Laishley LPSSA; AFIAP Cape Town Photographic Society
- Margaret Collins Cape Town Photographic Society
- Nicol du Toit Cape Town Photographic Society

Date of Judging: 5 October 2019 Venue: St Stephens Church Hall, No 7 Central Square, Pinelands

JUDGING

Presented images and prints will be adjudicated via "Live Judging". Various categories have been allocated to groups of judges who will judge the allocated category live at their club. The judges will receive screen calibration instructions, as well as the official PSSA test calibration application to ensure uniformity in the presentation of images. Each photo will be judged by 3 judges. The sum of the 3 scores will represent the final score. Where 2 or more adjudicators are of the opinion that an image does not conform to the definition of the entered category, the image will be rejected. In the case where 1 adjudicator is of the opinion that an image does not conform to the definition of a specific category, the average point of the remaining 2 adjudicators will represent the final score. Any image that the Salon Director considers pornographic or offensive to the public may, on consultation with the judges, be disqualified. If two or more entries by an entrant are similar, only the first image receiving an acceptance will be considered for awards.

CATEGORY DEFINITIONS:

A: Nature Colour PDI (no Birds, No Scapes):

Entrants warrant that they adhere to the PSSA Nature Photographer's code of ethics and that "The welfare of the subject is more important than the photograph."

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 artificially 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. All allowed adjustments must appear natural.

Stitched images are not permitted. Infrared images, either direct-captures or derivations, are not allowed.

Images used in Nature Photography competitions may be divided in two classes: Nature and Wildlife. 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. No Scapes images to be entered in this category

No monochrome images in this category Digital manipulation *is not* allowed in this section. (See below).

B: Nature Colour PDI (only Birds):

The definition of this category is identical to category A Nature, with the only difference that in this category, only images of birds will be accepted.

No monochrome images in this category Digital manipulation *is not* allowed in this section. (See below).

C: Scapes Colour PDI

A genre intended to show different spaces within the world, usually vast and unending.

A landscape comprises the visible features of an area and physical elements such as landforms, water, living elements of flora and fauna and abstract elements like lightning and weather conditions. It could be pure nature or include man and/or beast.

'Scapes is a term that covers the depiction of scenery such as mountains, valleys, trees, rivers, forests, sea, cities etc. where the main subject is a wide view with its elements arranged into a coherent composition. 'Scapes may be natural or man-made.

A panorama is an image with elongated fields of view, with an aspect ratio of 2:1 or larger, the image being at least twice as wide as its height.

Derived terms include:

| Cityscape | Seascape | Nightscape | Snow scape |
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| Streetscape | Urban scape | Sandscape | |

No monochrome images in this category

Nude images are not allowed (no showing of gender/private body part, not even in silhouette). Digital manipulation *is not* allowed in this section. (See below).

D: People Colour (no nudes) PDI

A likeness, personality, or mood of a living subject (human only) where that subject is dominant in the image. Images may be head and shoulders or full figure of a living person(s) depicting the subject's character or emotion at that moment. Portraiture is not restricted to head and shoulders and may include just part of the face, a back view or a full length study.

Digital manipulation allowed.

Nude images are not allowed (no showing of gender/private body part, not even in silhouette). No monochrome images in this category

E: Open Colour PDI

In this category the subject matter is totally open.

All elements must be photographic; if graphic elements are included they should enhance the photographic image but not take over from it. Any graphics used should be created by the photographer using his/her own artwork.

No monochrome images in this category.

Nude images are not allowed (no showing of gender/private body part, not even in silhouette). Digital manipulation is allowed in this section. (See below).

F: Open Monochrome PDI

In this category the subject matter is totally open.

All elements must be photographic; if graphic elements are included they should enhance the photographic image but not take over from it. Any graphics used should be created by the photographer using his/her own artwork.

Monochrome is a black and white image. 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. 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.

Only monochrome images in this category.

Nude images are not allowed (no showing of gender/private body part, not even in silhouette). Digital manipulation is allowed in this section. (See below).

G: PRINTS: Open Colour

In this category the subject matter is totally open.

All elements must be photographic; if graphic elements are included they should enhance the photographic image but not take over from it. Any graphics used should be created by the photographer using his/her own artwork

Only Colour Prints, No monochrome prints in this category. Nude images are not allowed (no showing of gender/private body part, not even in silhouette). Digital manipulation is allowed in this section. (See below).

H: PRNTS Open Monochrome

In this category the subject matter is totally open.

All elements must be photographic; if graphic elements are included they should enhance the photographic image but not take over from it. Any graphics used should be created by the photographer using his/her own artwork

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Only monochrome PRINTS in this category.

Nude images are not allowed (no showing of gender/private body part, not even in silhouette). Digital manipulation is allowed in this section. (See below).

MANIPULATION

Manipulation shall constitute any or all of the following modifications to the original image:

- Adding an element to the image that was not contained in the original capture;
- Removing an element from the image that was contained in the original capture;
- Moving or repositioning an element of the image that was contained in the original capture.

In the categories Nature and Photo Journalism, manipulation is not allowed. In all other categories, there are no restrictions whatsoever in the way authors choose to post process an image.

The following enhancements are allowed and are not seen as manipulation:

- Correction of lens distortion, chromatic aberrations, purple fringing, lens vignette and vertical/horizontal perspective adjustments;
- Removal of dust spots or scratch marks from sensor or scanned images;
- The blending of different exposures of the same scene to broaden the dynamic range. (e.g. HDR);
- Focus stacking to widen the depth of field especially in Macro photography.
- Photo stacking to overcome the limitations of the digital sensor heat artefacts in long exposures.

In the case of Nature and Wildlife, HDR and focus stacking will not be considered as manipulation and may be used *provided* that the end result is a faithful representation of the original scene.

Please note:

HDR and Focus stacking are not allowed in Photojournalism and Street Photography.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

- 1. An image may only be used once in a particular salon, panel or competition, irrespective of the category, or of the image being in colour or monochrome. No similar images may be used. The same image may be entered in other salons or competitions where it was not previously accepted.
- 2. Each image must have a unique name and the name of an image may not be changed at any time. Words such as "Untitled" and "No Title" are not acceptable, nor are titles consisting of only camera capture filenames or titles consisting of only numbers. Sanctions for "re-titling" will be imposed where a previously accepted image or print has been given a different title and/or where a Colour version and a Monochrome version and/or a Print version and a Projected Digital Image version of the same image have been given different titles.
- 3. Entrants may submit up to 4 images in each PDI salon category and 6 in each print salon category.
- 4. Images that were accepted previously by any of the previous **Swartland Salons** may NOT be entered again.
- 5. The adjudicators will reject an image which does not conform to the definition of the entered category.
- 6. All the parts of each submitted image have to be photographed by the author who must be in possession of the original unretouched 'capture' version(s) of the image and where applicable of all component parts of the image. The author must also hold the copyright to each submitted image and of all component parts of it. The Salon Director may request an entrant to supply him with proof of the authenticity of all the elements in the presented image(s). If the entrant cannot supply such proof, his/her entry in the salon will be disqualified.
- 7. Except for the restrictions on images described in the Nature, Photo Travel and Photojournalism definitions, images may be altered, either digitally or otherwise, by the entrant.
- 8. Manipulations are prohibited in the Nature, Photo Travel and Photojournalism or in the categories as specified in the category definitions. This means that no elements of the photograph may be cloned, added or erased.
- 9. No title, watermark or identification of the maker shall be visible anywhere on the image.
- 10. Entrants must store and preserve intact, with no alteration, the metadata, the RAW file(s) or the original unretouched JPEG file(s) of the submitted images (and those taken immediately before and after the submitted image(s)) for possible future motivated inspection, with no expiry, prescription or limitation of PSSA actions. It is recommended to leave the EXIF data in the submitted files intact in order to ease eventual investigations. It is absolutely forbidden for any entrant to tamper with the EXIF or original data in the files submitted to salons/exhibitions.
- 11. The entrant accepts without exception and with no objection the following terms:
 - that the submitted images can be investigated by PSSA to establish if these adhere to PSSA regulations and definitions even if the entrant is not a member of PSSA,
 - that PSSA will use any means at its disposal for this undertaking,
 - that any refusal to cooperate with PSSA or any refusal to submit the original files as captured by the camera, or failure to provide sufficient evidence, may result in disqualification
- 12. The exhibition assumes no liability for any misuse of copyright by the entrant.
- 13. No judge or family member may enter categories in which he or she is judging.
- 14. If a judge entered any section in which he/she acts as a judge, the images must be removed or disqualified.
- 15. The Exhibition Chairman may not serve as a judge for the exhibition. Any other person who, prior to or during the judging, is involved with processing the images or has access to the images may NOT serve as a judge for the exhibition.
- 16. An entrant's images will not be presented to the judges consecutively but distributed randomly in each category.

17. 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 organisers for purposes associated with this exhibition. You also explicitly consent to such information being sent to organisations 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.

18. BREACH OF CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

If the exhibition determines before, during, or after the judging that an entrant has submitted entries where one or more images fail to comply with these Conditions of Entry, including the stated definitions, the exhibition reserves the right and discretion to delete the entry from the exhibition and void any or all acceptances or awards. Fees will be forfeited in these circumstances.

In order to ensure that images comply with the Conditions of Entry and definitions, the exhibition may carry out checks on the images to make sure that:

- the images are the original work of the entrant and

- the images comply with the rules and definitions as set out in these Conditions of Entry.

This may involve asking the entrant to provide originally captured image(s), with EXIF data intact, by a set deadline. The questioned image(s) of any entrant failing to comply with such a request for the original image(s) may be considered in breach of these Conditions of Entry, and declined. Such entries may be referred to PSSA for further investigation of possible ethics violations. PSSA retains the right to investigate in any way all complaints/suspicions of breaches of entry conditions, impose sanctions if deemed necessary, include the entrant's name on the list of sanctions provided to Exhibitions, and share such investigations with FIAP and PSA. Entrants automatically agree to these.

19. Submission of entries signifies acceptance of these conditions of entry.

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

- All images (PDI and PRINTS) to be entered electronically at <u>http://www.photovaultonline.com</u>. No images will be accepted via e-mail.
- 2. A digital copy of all print entries must also be entered online at <u>www.photovaultonline.com</u>. The same format requirements as for PDI entries apply. This is to simplify the control of entries being despatched and the preparation of the salon results catalogue. Please ensure that the information on the label on the back of the print is exactly the same as the information captured online on Photo Vault.
- 3. Remember to finalize your entry on Photovault after the images have been uploaded.
- 4. Acknowledgement of receipt for an entry will be returned to the participant after the participant has finalized his/her entry on Photovault. If no confirmation has been received within 3 working days after the entry has been finalized, please contact the Salon Administrator of Director.

ENTRY FORMATS

Images (PDI's and prints) must be in the following format:

o Digital Projected Images (PDI's)

- JPEG file format
- File size may not exceed 2 MB
- Images must be resized to a maximum of 1920 pixels on the horizontal axis or a maximum of 1080 pixels on the vertical axis.
- It is recommended that the image is converted to the sRGB colour profile to ensure correct colour rendition during display and adjudication.
- Borders are optional, but within the size restraints as described.
- No text or watermarks may be added to images.

• Submission of Prints

- A maximum of six prints are allowed in each category.
- The fees do not include postage and courier cost for returning of prints.
- Sufficient additional postage for the return of prints must accompany all entries.
- Courier returns must have a Waybill together with account number or courier fees should accompany your entry. Swartland Photographic Club cannot take responsibility for returned prints lost in transit.
- Print entries without sufficient fees or arrangements for return will not be returned; entrants need to collect their prints by 31 December 2019.
- Prints not collected by 31 December 2019 will be destroyed.
- Prints may be mounted, but a 5 mm border is suggested for display pegs for prints without cardboard frames.
- Maximum size of prints: 305mm X 420mm (approximately A3)
- Minimum size of prints: 210mm X 300mm (approximately A4)
- Maximum size of print with mount: 400mm x 500mm
- A self-adhesive label with: Author, Title, category and sequence number (e.g. P1), and an arrow indicating top of image (orientation) must be on the back of each print.
- Please ensure that the information on the label on the back of the print is exactly the same as the information captured online on Photo Vault.

Delivery Address for Prints:

Emunah Gallery,

Drie Geuwels Centre, Mark Street, Malmesbury, 7300.

Contact Person: Maryke Louw (082 960 8977 or 083 233 7402).

E-mail: <u>emunahgallery@gmail.com</u>.

FEES

- The entry fee:
 - Projected Digital Images (PDI):
 - PSSA members: R7.00 per photo
 - Non-PSSA members: R11.00 per photo
 - Printed Images:
 - PSSA members: R7.00 per print
 - Non-PSSA members: R11.00 per print
- Internet payment is preferred and can be made directly into our-account or you may make a direct deposit at your nearest branch:
 - o Account / name: Swartland Photographic Club
 - Bank: Nedbank
 - Branch: Malmesbury
 - Account Type: Cheque
 - Account No.: 1107548489
 - Branch code: 198765
 - Non EFT Payments: Please add R32.00 for cheque and/or cash deposits.

Note that the banking details have changed. If you submitted to a Swartland Photographic Club salon before please ensure that you use the correct banking details, thank you

- Payments must be made directly into the bank account of Swartland Photographic Club. This is the only acceptable method of payment.
- If the prints must be returned, include the courier cost in the payment.
- Reference: "SFK7+Surname+Initials (e.g. SFK7smithgd). Please save a copy of your proof
 of payment on your computer for uploading to <u>http://www.photovaultonline.com</u>
- Entries received with insufficient fees or without proof of payment will be rejected.

CATALOGUE

A catalogue containing the salon awards and acceptances will be made available on Dropbox. DVDs will be made available on special request only and at an additional cost of R75 each (excluding postage).

We at Swartland Photographic Club wish you success with the salon. More important, enjoy it.