

Submission Guidelines for digital images

Submission of your digital images is possible in one of the following ways:

- online at www.glanzlichter.com/online2024.cfm
- on CD or DVD (please send only one CD or DVD)

Image Processing

Please make sure that a colour space, preferably Adobe RGB or sRGB, has been assigned to each of your image files.

When preparing the images, please try to create a natural looking image that stays as close to the original scene as possible. The digital image sometimes needs adjustments with tonal value, contrast, saturation as well as sharpening. These adjustments will vary from image to image.

Colour correction, adjustment of saturation and contrast, sharpening and cropping are allowed as part of the image processing. HDR, Focus Stacking and panoramas, composed of several images, are admissible. Multiple exposures are only allowed if they are supported by the camera and the result is one file.

Further image adjustments, digital image manipulation and the use of artificial intelligence are not allowed in categories 1-8 and will result in disqualification.

Please keep in mind that your finished image allows a print at a size of 36x54cm (Highlight) or 46x69cm (Winner). Please do not interpolate data.

Captioning

Please caption your digital image files as follows:

1. Number of category, 2. Image number, 3. Surname – First name, 4. Image title or motif/description, 5. Country (in which the image was taken), 6. If captive: add "C"; for high-dynamic-range: add "HDR"; for Focus Stacking: add "FS"; for multiple exposures: add "MF"; for scans: add „S"; for panoramas: add "P".

Example:

5-5-Smith-John-Tiger hunting in swamp-India-C-HDR

Online submission

Please note: Only high quality JPEG with 1024 pixel on the longest side can be uploaded.

If your submission reaches the last round of the competition, the jury will request the original image file as captioned in-camera on **29th January 2024**. The jury needs to receive this image file in entire existing shooting size, on CD/DVD or by upload on their website, by **5th February 2024** at the latest.

Submission on CD/DVD

Please create **two** folders on your CD/DVD, one for preview images and one for the original image files. **No** sub folders please.

- Folder 1: preview image, to save as high quality JPEG (quality setting 12) with 1024 pixel on the longest side.
- Folder 2: original image, to save as full original size as TIFF or JPEG and **additional** as available RAW.

Competition tips & tricks for participants

There are real competition professionals among our participants who know how to choose the right images and how to prepare and send them. We would like to offer you a little practical advice to increase your chances and to facilitate the workload.

Image selection

Each year, a new jury is made up who will choose the winning images, based on their own judgment and personal taste. Because of this it is pretty much useless to base your image selection on previous winning images. The important criteria that make a winning image are sharpness, light and composition. A creative use of these elements is always welcome by the members of the jury.

Many participants don't make use of the maximum amount of images that can be submitted. A maximum of 30 images are permitted, you can distribute these free among the categories.

Online submission

At www.glanzlichter.com/online2024.cfm you can also submit your images online. After registering you will be guided through the submission process, where you will be able to upload your images. And until the closing date 5th January 2024 also to exchange.

Your participation form and the image list will be generated automatically by your image upload.

Submission by post

Please fill in the entry form, containing your personal data and the image list, completely.

Put the filled entry form, the entry fee and return postage if applicable, together with your CD/DVD in an envelope. Send this envelope to the mentioned competitions address.

Please note: Your submission can only be returned when sufficient postage is included.

We are looking forward to the new "Glanzlichter"

The competition team

CD/DVD may be send to:

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International Competition of Nature Photography

Glanzlichter 2024



The International Competition
of Nature-Photography "Glanzlichter 2024"
is awarded by
"Deutscher Verband für Fotografie e.V."
("German Association of Photography")



Categories of Competition:

Category 1
Magnificent Wilderness
Landscape photography
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Canon

Category 2
The Beauty of Plants
Plant photography
Sponsored by

Nikon

Category 3
Nature as Art
Shape, colour and abstraction of nature
Sponsored by

AC-FOTO

Category 4
Artists on Wings
Bird photography
Sponsored by

FUJIFILM

Category 5
The World of Mammals
Images of mammals
Sponsored by

SIGMA

Category 6
Diversity of all other Animals
Animal kingdom except birds and mammals
Sponsored by

OM SYSTEM

Category 7
Moments in Nature
Images of special moments in nature
Sponsored by

Nikon

Category 8
Aerial Views of Nature
Naturepictures by Multicopter
Sponsored by

**UAV
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Special Category 9
Add with AI
Images supplemented with artificial intelligence (AI)
Sponsored by

cewe

Fritz Pölking Award
An award-winning image of category "Artists on Wings"
Sponsored by

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Junior Award
Ages up to 13 years and 14-17 years
Sponsored by

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All Over Winner
The All Over Winner chosen from all categories
Sponsored by

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Competition Guidelines The terms and conditions

The competition is open to everyone who practices nature photography as a hobby or on a professional basis. The Fritz Pölking Award will be chosen from all submissions to category 4.

Young photographers up to the age of 17 may participate in all categories. The Junior Award will be selected from all entries.

The copyright always remains with the photographer.

The entry fee is € 20.00 per participant.

Please include this amount in cash in case you submit by post.

If you submit online, please transfer the entry fee to the online specified account or by Paypal to the account **info@glanzlichter.com**

Images can be submitted as:

- Digital images via the website www.glanzlichter.com/online2024.cfm
- Digital images on CD/DVD

Please find the [submission guidelines for digital images](#) on the reverse side.

A maximum of 30 images are permitted - you can distribute these free among the categories.

If the image shows an animal in captivity (zoo, enclosure, game farm) or if the image has been made under controlled conditions the image has to be labeled with "C" (captive). In case of having used digital technologies, please add the corresponding abbreviation to the name of the file.

Images of pets, multiple exposures or digital manipulated images are not eligible to enter this competition.

Photos that have been supplemented with artificial intelligence should only be submitted in special category 9. Photos generated exclusively with artificial intelligence are not permitted in the competition. AI art is not subject to copyright and therefore there is no right to the image.

When entering the competition by post, the filled in entry form – in German or English – has to be included in your submission.

All rights of the image have to be at the photographer. The image may not be blocked by stock agencies or publishing houses. If people are shown on the image, a model release form (signed by the pictured person) has to be submitted.

The "projekt nature & fotografie" takes no liability for third party claims and damage or loss of postal submissions.

Please read our [tips & tricks for participants](#) on the reverse side.

The data of the participating photographers will be treated in accordance with the current General Data Protection Regulation.

With entering the competition, the photographer accepts the terms and conditions without legal process.

The decision of the jury is not disputable.

Deadline is 5th January 2024, 24.00 hours – dated by postmark

At 29th January 2024: Images, which have been selected by the jury into the final round, will be requested.

Until 5th February 2024: Images have to be submitted (regarding this, see in detail "Online participation").

At 10th February 2024: Immediately after the winning images have been selected, the winners will be notified. They will have to submit further information on their images.

Until 18th February 2024: These information have to be submitted.

Until 15th March 2024: All submissions will be returned together with a documentation of the competition.

Prizes

In total, prizes worth more than € 28.000 can be won which includes cash prizes of more than € 12.000 and special prizes worth € 15.000.

- In categories 1-8 a **Winner** and nine **Highlights** will be chosen. The category winners will receive € 500 each and in addition a trophy and a Glanzlichter book, each. The category highlights will receive € 50 and a Glanzlichter book, each.
- In special category 9 the **Winner** will receive € 250 and a Glanzlichter book.
- In addition, the **Fritz Pölking Award** will be awarded. The winner of the Fritz Pölking Award will receive € 250, the DVF medal in bronze and a Glanzlichter book.
- A **Junior Award Winner** and two **Highlights** in every age category will be chosen. The Junior Award winner will receive € 500, a photo exhibition by CEWE, which will be shown at the event, a trophy, the DVF medal in silver and a Glanzlichter book. The four highlights will receive € 50 each and a Glanzlichter book, each.
- One **All Over Winner** will be chosen. The All Over Winner will receive € 2.500, a trophy, the DVF medal in gold and a Glanzlichter book.

All winners will be invited to the presentation ceremony.

The presentation ceremony of Glanzlichter will be held during **26. International Fuerstenfeld Nature Photography Days in Fuerstenfeldbruck from 19th – 21st April 2024.**

Present winners will receive a CEWE-photobook with all winning pictures and with their winning picture on the title. In addition present winners will join the following gala dinner.

The winning images will be presented at a touring exhibition, they will be published in the Glanzlichter book and shown online at www.glanzlichter.com.

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Please fill in the entry form completely (frontpage and backpage) and clearly!

Mister/Misses/Miss	
Family Name	
First Name	
Street	
Citycode - City	
Country	
Phone - Fax	
Email	
Homepage	

With my signature I confirm that my pictures in categories 1-8 were created without the addition of artificial intelligence.

I attend the Junior-Award		My date of birth is	
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Admission fee € 20,00 is added in cash		
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Submissions by mail will not be returned!

If you want to return, please insert return postage in cash.

The following return types are available: standard letter € 3,70 / registered letter € 7,00 / parcel € 18,00

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Date, Signature

Please don't fill in

Coming in CD/DVD	at:	
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Legend to list of images: Please note the competition rules

Cap.	Animal in captivity or controlled conditions
Pan.	Panonara-file composed of a plurality of images
HDR	High contrast image composed of the same image with bracketing
FS	High focused image composed of the same image with focus stacking
Crop.	Cropping of a digital file
M.i.Cam.	Multiple exposure in camera
Slide Scan	Scan of a slide
Neg. Scan	Scan of a negative film

