

# Wales Region Photography Competition 2019/2020

## Competition Rules

**The theme for the 2019/2020 competition is 'The Castles of Wales' and images may be in colour or monochrome.**

**There will be three heats:**

1. Local U3A
2. Network
3. Region

### Local U3A:

1. U3As that wish to submit entries must register with Chris Winner (Wales Trustee) at [chris.winner@u3a.org.uk](mailto:chris.winner@u3a.org.uk)
2. On registration U3As will be sent an **Entry Form by email, (the form will be sent in with their submissions).**
3. Individual U3As will conduct their selection process in any way they wish BUT images must:

\*adhere to the theme (above).

\*be the work of the member entering the competition.

\*be a PDI (digital image NOT print).

\*have a longest side of 1400 pixels or less.

\*have a file size of 2 mb or less.

\*have all metadata (image information) removed, including camera settings and author's name. (see the page 2 for help in removing metadata).

\*not include people that can be recognised in the image (legal reasons - copyright & permissions).

### Local U3A Judging pointers:

#### Photographs should be judged on -

1. Adherence to given theme -
2. Composition -
3. Exposure -
4. Colour balance -
5. Sharpness -

Images that do not comply with the any of the above **marked\*** should/will be disqualified.

- Each U3A should select their top 3 photographs.
- The file names of the selected images should include the U3A and image title.
- There should be no spaces in the filename and each word in the title should be capitalised -  
e.g. FlintshireU3AFlintCastleAtSunset or BangorU3AEarlyMorningConwyCastle

## Submitting entries:

**When U3As have selected their 3 images:**

**Each U3A should record the names of the authors and titles** of the images this information should be held at local U3A level.

**Each U3A should complete their entry form and submit** their completed form along with their 3 chosen images to [chris.winner@u3a.org.uk](mailto:chris.winner@u3a.org.uk) for distribution to the appropriate Network for Network level judging.

**Closing date for entries is April 30<sup>th</sup> 2020**

## Network level judging:

**Photographs will be judged on-**

- Adherence to given theme -
- Composition -
- Exposure -
- Colour balance -
- Sharpness -

Network judge/judges will select their top 3 from the Network entries and submit them to [chris.winner@u3a.org.uk](mailto:chris.winner@u3a.org.uk) for forwarding to the Regional panel. **By May 31<sup>st</sup> 2020**

**N.B. the name of the U3A will be removed before the images are sent to the Regional panel for judging.**

**Regional judging panel will select their top 3 photographs. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**

A small prize will be award to the author of the photograph that gets the 1<sup>st</sup> place. The image remains the property of the author but the competition organiser reserves the right to use submitted images in TAM, in U3A publicity and Wales Region publicity materials and U3A and U3A Wales Region Social media.

**The winning entries will be announced in June 2020 and after the winners have been notified the photographs will posted on the Wales website.**

## Removing metadata:

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**YouTube video** – the image shown was taken with an iPhone but it works for any image.  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=duO\\_CbEdvYk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=duO_CbEdvYk)

**Mac.**

**YouTube video** -  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4wLfoZgHvs>

**Any questions should be directed to** – [chris.winner@u3a.org.uk](mailto:chris.winner@u3a.org.uk)