



7th International Contest of Photography

NARAVA 2014

Photo Club GRČA Kočevje, Slovenia

RULES & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The salon is open for amateur and professional photographers from all over the world. The salon is conformed with the rules of the Photographic Association of Slovenia (FZS), International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP) and Photographic Society of America (PSA). This salon is PSA approved and acceptances will count for Who is Who and Star Rating. The photographers are responsible for the legal contents of the photographs. Digital files must be submitted as images in sRGB colour space in high quality in jpg, jpeg format. You can send photographs on CD/DVD, or you can enter online on <http://www.fotodrustvo-grca.si/narava.html>. The preferred dimension of photographs is **1920 x 1080 pix** in **sRGB JPEG** format (**Max 1920 pix horizontal side or max 1080 pixels vertical side**) including any borders and must not exceed **1 Mb!!!** Entries must originate as photographs (image-captures of objects via light sensitivity) made by the entrant acquired digitally.

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 may include also posting on a websites. The exhibition assumes no liability for any misuse of copyright. The submission of any entry implies acceptance of the rules! Entries accepted at a previous Narava Exhibition, or so similar as to be almost identical, are not eligible and will be disqualified even if the title differs.

NATURE DEFINITION

Nature photography is restricted to the use of the photographic process to depict observations from all branches of natural history, except anthropology and archeology, in such a fashion that a well-informed person will be able to identify the subject material and to certify as to 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 enhance the nature story. The presence of scientific bands, scientific tags or radio collars on wild animals is permissible. Photographs of artificially produced hybrid plants or animals, mounted specimens, or obviously set arrangements, are ineligible, as is any form of manipulation that alters the truth of the photographic statement. No techniques that add to, 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 are permitted. All adjustments must appear natural. Color images can be converted to grayscale monochrome. Infrared images are not allowed. **PSA definitions:** <http://psa-photo.org/psaexhibitionrecognition/Resources/Entry-Form-Definitions.pdf> and **FIAP Nature Photography definition:** <http://www.fiap.net/pdf/DefNat-en.pdf>.

THEMES

A - **OPEN** - max 4 photos - (PSA PID)

B - **NATURE** - max 4 photos - (PSA ND)

C - **LANDSCAPES** - max 4 photos - **THEME of the YEAR 2014** - (PSA PID)

(An entrant's four images will be distributed throughout four rounds of judging for that section.)

MARKING

If you will send your photos via post office each file name must include authors surname, name, theme with number and title of work **Example: surname_name_A1_title** Titles must NOT exceed 35 characters! If you will upload your entries via our internet application form you don't need to rename your digital files!

ADDRESS

Send images, entry forms and entry fees by post to:
Fotografsko drustvo GRCA Kocevje, Rozna ul. 39, 1330 Kocevje, Slovenia

ENTRY FEE

Entry fee is 20€ (26\$) for all three themes.

We offer a **discount for group entries** (more than 8 participants). For amount and instructions please visit the website of the contest: www.fotodrustvo-grca.si/narava.html

We prefer that you pay entry fee by cash or via PayPal. If you choose PayPal send fee to our

PayPal address: info@fotodrustvo-grca.si

Please mention your full name and country as transfer information. Corresponding fee can be enclosed in envelope together with application form and added to package with CD/DVD.

You can pay entry fee also on **Bank Account of Club:** IBAN : SI56 0311 3100 0000 302 SWIFT (BIC): SKBAS12X NO IRC

Entries received without fee will not be judged.

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AWARDS

The members of jury will be granted **92 awards all together:**

- 1 FIAP Blue Badge - Best Author
- Plaque of Mayor of the City of Kočevje - Best Slovenian Author
- 27 FIAP awards - 9 for each category (Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal + 6 HMs)
- 27 PSA awards - 9 for each category (Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal + 6 HMs)
- 18 FZS awards - 6 for each category (Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal + 3 Diplomas)
- 18 Photoclub GRCA awards - 6 for each category (Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal + 3 HMs)

JURY

Theme: **OPEN** Janez Papež, MF FZS, EFIAP - Slovenia
Pierluigi Rizzato, EFIAP/gold, IFI - Italy
Jure Kravanja, MF FZS, EFIAP - Slovenia

Themes: **NATURE** and **LANDSCAPES** Marjan Artnak, MF FZS, EFIAP/silver - Slovenia
Marjan Cigoj, KMF FZS, EFIAP/bronze - Slovenia
Pierluigi Rizzato, EFIAP/gold, IFI - Italy

The judges' decisions are **final**.

TIMETABLE

Closing date	August 20, 2014
Judging	August 30 and 31, 2014
Notification	September 05, 2014
Public Presentation	October 03, 2014
Mailing catalogues and awards	October 30, 2014

NOTIFICATION

We will not return digital works. Digital works will be archived by organizer for one year then will be destroyed. Results of competition will be presented on website: <http://www.fotodrustvo-grca.si/narava.html> most lately by September 05, 2014. Each participant will get his own results on his e-mail. The organizer will take maximal care regarding the entries but cannot accept responsibility for damage or loss either during the exhibitions or in transit.

PUBLIC PRESENTATION

Awarded and accepted works will be presented on **public show on October 03, 2014** in historical Seskov dom in Kočevje and on organizer website: <http://fotodrustvo-grca.si>
Show will be together with an award ceremony.

CATALOGUES

The organizer will present a printed catalogue with 112 pages at time of an award ceremony. Catalogues from previous Narava contests you can list as PDF file on our website: <http://www.fotodrustvo-grca.si/narava.html>.

ORGANIZER

Fotografsko društvo GRČA Kočevje, Rožna ul. 39, 1332 Kočevje, Slovenija
Organizing Committee:
Stanko Lavric, KMF FZS, EFIAP, PSA ND Diamond Star - Chairman

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PSA is a non-profit organization promoting the advancement of photography in all its forms to novice, amateur and professional photographers worldwide.

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ENTRY FORM

Surname	*	
Name	*	
Photographic honours (distinctions)		
Address	*	
ZIP	*	
City	*	
Country	*	
E-mail	*	

* Required field

Theme NATURE

A1	
A2	
A3	
A4	

Theme OPEN

B1	
B2	
B3	
B4	

Theme LANDSCAPES

C1	
C2	
C3	
C4	

Titles max **35 characters**, please English letters ONLY