

DIGITAL IMAGING MONTHLY COMPETITION

RPS Digital Imaging Monthly Competition 2025

By popular request, the Monthly Competition will resume in January 2025. There will be some fundamental changes from the original format, because we will be using PollUnit to upload images for the current month and record member votes.

Dates are as before, so you can upload your image between 1st-23rd of the month, and vote from 24th to the last day. This is all done automatically by PollUnit.

If you are having issues with uploads or voting, please contact the Competition Secretary on digcompsec@rps.org.

How to vote

Voting is by using 'stars' and you can allocate either one, two or three stars to your top three choices each month.

- Three stars for your first choice.
- Two stars for your second preference.
- One star for your least favourite preference.

Please follow these voting instructions to the letter in order for the judging to be fair. You are allowed one voting round of six stars (3+2+1) and anyone deviating from this method will have all their votes disallowed.

Family members can use one computer or device to register their vote if they have each logged in as a separate user to the computer/device. Checks will be made on entries. Please use your RPS registered email address so that we can ratify your membership. Votes placed using alternative names/email addresses will be discounted.

Entering, rights and ownership

The competition is open to all RPS Digital Imaging members. There is no entry fee.

You may submit a single image per month. Your image will be on display for the duration of the competition month. Each month, all previous images will be deleted and the competition will repeat with new submissions. There are no themes planned at this stage.

The Organiser is keen to see new work that has not been previously seen in competitions and exhibitions. This rule is not onerous, but it is hoped that members will enter into the spirit of the competition with new ideas. Any image previously winning in the Monthly Competition is not eligible.

Please note that PollUnit, the submission software, permits users to delete/change their entries as well as submit their entries. An email acknowledgement will be sent for every image uploaded or deleted. Changes can be made up to the closing date of the month.

The Competition Organiser and the Digital Imaging Committee's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. We reserve the right to withdraw acceptances should it become apparent that an image was ineligible or contravened the entry rules, or to reject or not to show an accepted image if it is deemed offensive to a wider public audience.

Images must be the original work of the entrant and must comply with the rules and definitions in this document. We expect entrants to abide by the spirit of the Monthly Competition.

The copyright of all entries remains with the photographers.

The Royal Photographic Society and the Digital Imaging Group accept no liability for any misuse or breach of copyright by an entrant. The copyright of all submitted work, including full control of use, must be at the disposal of the entrant. All photographic content in an image must be the sole work of the photographer and by submitting an entry, the entrant certifies the work as his or her own (aliases are not permitted).

By submitting an entry, the entrant licences the Society to reproduce all or part of the entered material free of charge for publication and/or display in media related to the competition and the Society, including the Digital Imaging website, *DI Online* and in the final eZine of the winning images.

Image file requirements

- **Size:** images must be a minimum of 1000px wide.
- **Colour space:** use the sRGB colour space
- **Format:** the files must be in JPEG format
- **File size.** each image file to be uploaded must be no larger than 5 MB
- **Titles:** each image must have a title and must include your name. This will be collected when you submit your image, along with your registered RPS email address and distinction (if any), so that we can ratify your membership.

Title format is as follows:

- *Title by Name.jpg*

E.g. The Little House on the Prairie by John Smith.jpg

- No watermarks, titles or photographer's name/qualifications/Distinctions are to appear in a digital image.

Results

Winners and runners-up will be published in *DI Online* followed by an announcement on the Facebook Digital Imaging Group page. During the subsequent month all placed images will be on display for everyone to view.

Damage / loss

The responsibility for damage or loss of images, however caused, is the responsibility of the photographer. The Royal Photographic Society and Digital Imaging will not be responsible for any loss or damage, whether or not caused by negligence.

Acceptance of rules

Submission of an entry will be taken as acceptance of these entry rules. An entry will be disqualified if the Society, or Digital Imaging Group, believes it does not conform to these rules and conditions.

Privacy policy

This competition is run and managed under the guidance and rules of the privacy policy of the RPS.

