The Eamonn McCabe Bursary 2024

This new bursary launched in 2024 commemorates the life of photojournalist Eamonn McCabe (1948-2022). McCabe started as a sports photographer before moving to wider editorial work, mainly working for The Observer and The Guardian newspapers. He was widely respected and supported a generation of photographers from the 1980s to the 2020s. Through his own photography, books and broadcasting, he did much to raise awareness of photography’s history and significance to a wider public. He was Fellow of the RPS.

This bursary looks to continue that legacy. It is supported by Eamonn McCabe’s family and The Guardian newspaper.

In 2024 the bursary will provide £3000 to a photographer aged 25 years or under to deliver a photography project responding to the theme of ‘sporting endeavour’. This can be interpreted as widely as the applicant wishes, but the general approach should be editorial, suitable for publication. The project should be new, not previously exhibited or published.

Applicants need to be living, working or studying in the UK.

The completed project will be published by The Guardian and the RPS and we will work with the successful applicant in bringing their project to a wider audience.

The closing date for applications is 1 August 2024. Applicants should be aged 25 years or under on that date. Interviews via Zoom will take place in September and we would expect to announce the recipient by the end of September. The project should be completed within one year of it being awarded.

Submitting your application

Images
When adding your images to the application please upload all 8 then click save at the bottom of the page. After this go to each one and add titles; the titles can simply be numerical if they don’t have one. There is also the opportunity to add captions for further description if you wish. These images must relate to the section Past Project in your application. IMPORTANT – remember to click save once you have done the above or you will not be able to submit the application at the end of the process.

Information about your project
Please ensure that you fill in each section with as much detail as you can.
You will be asked to give a clear financial breakdown on how you plan to spend the bursary, the time scale and what you plan to do with the work on completion.

Please take into consideration the environmental impact your project will have and tell us how you plan to minimise this.

Submitting your project
The submission button at the top of the page above your images, will only appear if you have completed all the required sections in the application, including up-loading and giving your images a title.
Once you have submitted your application you have up to the closing date to edit your work and resubmit. You can access your submission via the confirmation email which includes a link to the main page. You can find your application in Applications at the very top of this page or via the yellow bar under RPS Bursaries.

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