

PHOTO QUEST 2015



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Phone no.....

E-mail address.....

A parent/guradian signature is required for children under 18 :

Name of parents or guardian.....

Signature of parent or gurdaian.....

Emergency Contact.....

CATEGORIES

- 1- Birds - endemic / common migratory
- 2- Butterflies & Macro
- 3- Landscape
- 4- People's Choice Awards (Special Category)

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Date.....

Location.....

Subject.....

Payment Method.....

Entry Fee RM50.00 per pax

PIC.....

Signature.....

Date.....

- 1st - RM2,000.00
- 2nd - RM800.00
- 3rd - RM500.00

CAMERA ACCESSORIES

HOTEL VOUCHERS



RULES

GENERAL :

1. Entrants can submit up to three images in total, in color or black and white.
2. Entrants must include their name, address and contact telephone number.
3. Photographs entered must be taken within the official boundaries of Langkawi Island from 01-05 December 2015.
4. Entrants under the age of 15 years need to have a parent or guardian consent to enter.
5. All participants will be required to submit their original high resolution digital files in JPEG format. These files should be of sufficient quality to reproduce to the following specifications: 300 dpi. Landscape images must have a minimum width of 3354 pixels x height 1736 pixels. Portrait images must have a minimum width of 2008 pixels x height 2445 pixels.
6. Participants may be asked to provide the original high resolution images whenever requested. Failure to provide the requested files will result in disqualification.
7. The photographs, in its entirety must be a single work of original material taken by the participant. Optimization of images such as cropping, color correction, small adjustment to exposure, contrast, dust spot removal, noise removal and sharpening is acceptable. Digitally altered images beyond those mentioned above will be disqualified.
8. Participants are to bring their own equipment to Geopark Inn for images optimization.
9. EXIF information for the images must be intact to prove the date taken.
10. The organizers will not be held responsible for any loss and damage to an entry.
11. Contestant can only submit 3 images per category.
12. By submitting an image for the competition, the participant will be regarded as having granted the organizers the right to use the image in print, broadcast and/or electronic media without any fee, payment, for the purposes of promoting the competition or areas related to the organizers work.
13. Ten shortlisted images for each categories will be used and reproduced by organizers for Langkawi promotional purposes.
14. Contest consist of one (1) round of evaluation. A panel of experienced bird photographers and bird experts will evaluate all eligible entries based on the following judging criteria :
 - Technical excellence – details, sharpness, exposure & colors.
 - Artistic excellence –overall composition, pose, moments,interesting behaviour, originality,mood & impact.
 - Less common species scores higher points.
15. Judging will be 'blind ', no names or other information will be provided to judges that enable the entrant to be identified (no watermark).
16. The judge's decision on all matters affecting this competition is final and legally binding. No correspondence regarding the results will be entertained.
17. The organizer and its judges reserve the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity
18. These Terms and Conditions (as amended from time to time) constitute the entire agreement between you and the organizer concerning your contribution to "Naturally Langkawi Photo Quest 2015". The Organizer reserves the right to update these Terms and Conditions from time to time and any updated version will be effective as soon as it is published on the website.
19. The competition closes at 12pm on Saturday, 05 December 2015. Entries must be submitted in person in the form of thumb drive at Geopark Inn Kuah.
20. Winners photo will be published at the main billboard in Langkawi for 1 month.
21. The organizer will provide 2 buses to the Langkawi Interesting Birding Area (LIBA) with nature guide as first come first serve basis.

BIRDS :

1. Photographs must be of wild, untrained, healthy, free-flying, birds shot within the designated areas and period as mentioned above.
2. Flash photography is not allowed.
3. Photographs of nesting birds will be disqualified.
4. No wildlife habitats should be harmed or unduly disturbed in the process of taking photographs.
5. Images must be in JPEG format with a minimum width of 1024 pixels on the long edge without borders and watermarks.
6. Low scoring common birds : Common myna, Scaly breasted munia, Baya weavers, Cattle egrets, Eurasian tree sparrow, Oriental pied hornbills, White troated kingfisher, Zebra dove, Spotted dove, House crows & Brahminy kites from the eagle watching sites.

MACRO INCLUDING BUTTERFLIES :

1. Photographs must be of wild flora and fauna of Langkawi taken within the designated areas and period as mentioned above.
2. Flash photography is allowed.
4. No wildlife habitats should be harmed or unduly disturbed in the process of taking photographs.
5. Images must be in JPEG format which conform to size requirement spelt out in clause #5 above.
6. Focus stacking allowed.

LANDSCAPE :

1. Entries will be judged on the basis of creativity of idea, photographic quality and composition.
2. Original of all entries must be available (RAW or JPEG file) on request.
3. Post Processing
 - Minor digital adjustment are allowed, such as levels, curves, contrast, colour, dust, clone, noise removing, saturation, cropping, adjust wb, cast removing and sharpening. (However, we want shots that capture the moment, not ones that create it, so the image must still be a faithful representation of what was taken at the time).
 - Black and white images may be shot in colour and de-saturated, then have a duotone or sepia tone applied. These pictures will be judged on their merits.
 - Composite and multiple exposures are not allowed(include built-in-function HDR/DRI in camera body)
 - Image manipulation are not allowed such as adding or removing of subjects into or from the images.