



Submissions now open for the 6th Alliance Française Photography Award in collaboration with the Fondation Alliance Française, Paris.

Submission deadline: April 20th 2016

Submissions are being sought from **photographers, aged 18 and over, of all nationalities living in Ireland and Northern Ireland**, to enter a national and international photography competition. Photographers must not be professional and therefore make a living exclusively from photography.

The theme of the competition is “Objectif Sport!”

The panel will only consider submissions relating to this theme. Participants must portray their country's most representative sport and through photography depict the essential values of this sport. The photographs are to portray its rules and customs, showing it as a vital part of the culture of the community in which it has a strong social role with an emphasis on tolerance, social inclusion and team cohesion.

Submissions should include:

- **3-5 images maximum of exhibition-ready artworks, submitted by email in appropriate format** (digital files in TIFF (.tiff) format or JPEG (.jpeg) with a resolution of 300 DPI (a minimum of 30x40cm in 300 DPI or 3543x4724 pixels) . Please note that a link to a website as a sole application method will not be accepted.
- **Registration Form that includes Contact details** (including email and phone number) **Technical details of the picture** (size of the exhibition-ready prints, framing or mounting details, camera's reference, speed, aperture etc...) and **Personal statement** (max. 100 words)

Rules:

These photographs must be original and taken by the photographer.

- Have the authorisation of the people represented on the pictures.
- No trademarks or branding may be visible (clothes, objects ...).
- No advertising for alcohol or tobacco will be permitted.
- Be aware that some buildings (historical or recent) might give rise to an infringement of rights.

The non-respect of these guide lines will cancel your participation in both competitions.

Entrants will be eligible for two prizes:

➤ **The Alliance Française Dublin (Prize for Ireland):**

A shortlist of possible candidates will be chosen by the photography advisory panel and the Alliance Française public. The general public will also have a vote through voting ballots available in the gallery. **The shortlisted artists will exhibit their work in the Alliance Française gallery from April 25th April.** All selected artists must be ready to hang their work by April 25th. The overall winner will be entered into the Fondation Alliance Française Competition and will be announced by Philippe Milloux, Director of the Alliance Française later on in May 2016.

Prize: A return flight to Paris (at a time of your choice). In addition, if the winner is not already a French speaker, the prize will include a **French course** at the Alliance Française Dublin, worth €189, together with **complimentary access to our Library** for one year.

Alliance Française's Photography Advisory Panel:

- **Margaret Brown** (*Professional Photographer*)
- **Anthony Haughey** (*Lecturer/Researcher School of Media, DIT*)
- **Tanya Kiang** (*Director/Curator at the Gallery of Photography, Dublin*)
- **Philippe Milloux** (*Délégué Général of Alliance Française*)

Terms & Conditions: Shortlisted artists will be responsible for installing and removing their own work. Please note that no submissions will be returned unless a stamped, self-addressed envelope for return of prints is provided. If not provided with a return envelope, submissions will remain at the Alliance Française until the end of April 2016 for individual collection after which date they will be disposed of. We request that no original, irreplaceable material be submitted, as the safety of original artworks cannot be ensured. The prize is as described, non-transferable and cannot be altered by the recipient in any way. Proof of posting is not proof of receipt. The organisers accept no responsibility for entries lost, damaged or delayed in the post.

➤ **The Fondation Alliance Française Prize (worldwide)**

The winner of the Irish competition will then be nominated for the Fondation Alliance Française competition and will represent Ireland amongst the 835 Alliances worldwide. An international judging panel will then select the winner from the nominated entries, as well as a list of runners-up. The Fondation Alliance Française prize is a collective exhibition in a Parisian venue picked by the Fondation and/or in a gallery belonging to the Fondation. The selected photographs will be published in specialised Arts and photo magazines. There will also be an official catalogue with the photographs of all runners-up which will be distributed to all of the Alliance Française around the world, thus gaining great international exposure. The winner will also receive return flights to Paris for the launch of his/her solo exhibition.

The Jury will consider:

- The coherence of the project
- Pertinence with the theme of the competition
- Harmony and consistency of both pictures
- Quality of the pictures: framing, originality, lighting and aesthetics
- The understanding of the number of photos (2)
- Respect of the technical requirements as listed (first page)

Fondation Alliance Française Jury:

- **Françoise Huguier** (President of the Jury)
- **Luc Briand** (Head of the Iconography Service at Courrier International)
- **Bertrand Commelin** (General Secretary of the Fondation Alliance Française)
- **Agnès Grégoire** (Chief Editor of Photo Magazine)
- **Francis Kohn** (AFP Director of Photography - TBC)
- **Anne de la Roussière** (Director of the Arcturus Gallery)

Previous Winners

2011

Shortlist Show: Joby Hickey, Doreen Kennedy, Roseanne Lynch, Jean-Luc Morales

Winner: **Roseanne Lynch**

2012

Shortlist Show: Darek Fortas, Dara McGrath, Sabina McMahon, Miriam O'Connor

Winner: **Miriam O'Connor**

2013

Shortlist Show: Ieva Baltaduonyte, Maurice Gunning, Kate Nolan and Kenneth O'Halloran

Winner: **Kate Nolan**

2014

Shortlist Show: Dan Alexandru Bujoneanu, Nicki Cheevers, Michael Durand, Tommie Lehane

Winner: **Tommie Lehane**

2015

Shortlist show: Sean Breithaupt, Tommy Burke, Ruth Le Gear, Jenny Low

Winner: **Sean Breithaupt**

REGISTRATION FORM

“Objectif Sport !”

Name of photographer:

Telephone number:

Email:

Date and place of birth:

Profession:

Student or member of the Alliance Française: Yes No

1st photograph

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Colour | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver film |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black and white | <input type="checkbox"/> Digital |

Title:

Date and location:

Reference of camera used:

Aperture: Shutter speed:

If using film, provide film reference (brand and iso number):

2nd photograph

Colour

Black and white

Silver film

Digital

Title:

Date and location:

Reference of camera used:

Aperture:

Shutter speed:

If using film, provide film reference (brand and iso number):

3rd photograph

Colour

Black and white

Silver film

Digital

Title:

Date and location:

Reference of camera used:

Aperture:

Shutter speed:

If using film, provide film reference (brand and iso number):

4th photograph

Colour

Black and white

Silver film

Digital

Title:

Date and location:

Reference of camera used:

Aperture:

Shutter speed:

If using film, provide film reference (brand and iso number):

Personal Statement (max. 100 words)

I hereby state that the photographs provided are original and unreleased (it is forbidden to reproduce an existing piece).

I hereby state that I am the creator of these photographs and sole owner of the copyright attached to these photographs.

I certify to having read the rules of participation and accept the rules outlined.

Signed in , **on** / /

Signature

Please send submissions to: Photography Competition, Alliance Française Dublin, 1 Kildare Street Dublin 2. Email: cultural@alliance-francaise.ie or programming@alliance-francaise.ie

Deadline: April 20th 2016