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## **BEST PHOTOS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS OF 2023**

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Dear WPE Awards Members and Photographers,

As we conclude another remarkable year with the 2023 edition of the WPE Awards, we are once again inspired by the passion, artistry, and dedication demonstrated by photographers from across the globe.

With over 13,000 members representing 176 countries, the WPE Awards has grown into a truly international community. This success is a testament to your continued trust, participation, and commitment to excellence in photography.

The catalog you hold in your hands celebrates the outstanding achievements of those who have earned First, Second, and Third Place distinctions in our competitions. Each photograph featured here is more than an award-winning image-it is a reflection of vision, effort, and creative expression at the highest level.

As our community grows, so too does our responsibility to evolve. In response to your valuable feedback, we continue to introduce new categories, enhance our honor systems, and implement improvements that serve our shared passion for photographic excellence.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to every photographer who took part in this year's competitions, to our distinguished panel of judges for their thoughtful evaluations, and to every member of the WPE community who has helped shape this platform into a globally recognized symbol of photographic prestige.

Best regards, PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS EUROPE COMMUNITY

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## **Top 100 photographers for 2023**

1st	Therese Asplund : 40.5 points	36th	Emma Gough : 12.5 points
2nd	Elena Mihailova : 37.5 points	37th	Ulla Jensen : 12.5 points
3rd	Arne Bivrin : 32.5 points	38th	Ar Kar : 12.5 points
4th	Chris Pegman : 31.5 points	<b>39th</b>	Ali Zolghadri : 12.5 points
5th	Andrey Savin : 28 points	<b>40th</b>	Alisha Anderson : 12 points
6th	John Makris : 27 points	41th	Milan Chudoba : 12 points
7th	Boukje Embregts : 25 points	<b>42th</b>	Rabih Madi : 12 points
8th	Benny Chan : 21 points	43th	Damien Molina : 12 points
9th	Zuidema Renate : 20.5 points	44th	Natalia Peryga : 12 points
10th	Andrey Sobolev : 20.5 points	45th	Irina Petrova : 12 points
11th	Pia Rothmann : 19 points	46th	Elena Plotnikova : 12 points
12th	Nikoletta Nerpel : 18 points	<b>47th</b>	Andy Pollard : 12 points
13th	Osher Eden Pashinsky : 18 points	48th	Maria Gabriela Rocha Gomez : 12 points
14th	Andre Boto : 17.5 points	<b>49th</b>	Onni Wiljami : 12 points
15th	Luigi Greco : 16 points	50th	Jenny Ivarsson : 11.5 points
16th	Erzsébet Laufer : 16 points	51th	Krzysztof Krawczyk : 11.5 points
17th	Marta Losiewicz : 16 points	52th	Ali Sahebi : 11.5 points
18th	Ben Connolly : 15.5 points	53th	Craig Turner-Bullock : 11.5 points
19th	Rares Besliu : 15 points	54th	Etienney Florence : 11 points
20th	Gérald Boisjot : 15 points	55th	Amber Henry : 11 points
21th	Fenqiang Liu : 15 points	56th	Christoforos Mechanezidis : 11 points
22th	Dave Mcellistrum : 15 points	<b>57th</b>	William Moureaux : 11 points
23th	Sheena Wolinski : 15 points	58th	Qiuyue Wang : 11 points
24th	Shannon Beauclair : 14 points	59th	Dace Jansone : 10.5 points
25th	Patrizia Burra : 14 points	60th	Hadi Malijani : 10.5 points
26th	Shawna Hinkel : 14 points	61th	Prokopis Manousopoulos : 10.5 points
27th	Nika Kuplenk : 14 points	62th	Mariana Rodriguez : 10.5 points
28th	Annie Marie : 14 points	63th	Anna Arvidsson : 10 points
29th	Gea Strucks : 14 points	64th	Tim Aston : 10 points
30th	Massimo Giorgetta : 13.5 points	65th	Elis Brown : 10 points
31th	Veronika Šandorová : 13.5 points	66th	Andy Cheung : 10 points
32th	Jeffrey Hoorns : 13 points	67th	Ivan Duran : 10 points
33th	Peyman Naderi : 13 points	68th	Tibor-Florestan Pluto : 10 points
34th	Christian Weymann : 13 points	69th	Sergey Boyko : 9.5 points
35th	Thomas De Franzoni : 12.5 points	70th	Patricio Flexas : 9.5 points

- **71th** Jose Miguel Picon Chimelis : 9.5 points
- 72th Michelle Dawkins : 9 points
- 73th Eduardo Esses : 9 points
- 74th Sandra Ferwerda : 9 points
- 75th Heljo Hakulinen : 9 points
- 76th Hannah Hinckley-Smith : 9 points
- 77th Pavel Surovy : 9 points
- 78th Sara Goli: 8.5 points
- 79th Claudiu Guraliuc : 8.5 points
- 80th Anna Mahrough : 8.5 points
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- 82th Seyed Ahmad Beheshti : 8 points
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- 88th Hichem Khalil: 8 points
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- 90th Erica Manning : 8 points
- 91th Miriam Odegaard Skeide : 8 points
- 92th Aquilino Paparo : 8 points
- 93th Rikke Truelsen : 8 points
- 94th Samira Hesami : 7.5 points
- 95th Olha Melokhina : 7.5 points
- 96th Arun Mohanraj : 7.5 points
- 97th Yevgeniy Repiashenko : 7.5 points
- 98th Daniel Wenzel : 7.5 points
- 99th Laura Bertilotti : 7 points
- 100th Daniel Dahme: 7 points



**Therese Asplund** 

**Senior Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 40.5



Therese is a Swedish portrait photographer specializing in fine art portraits. She is an international Elinchrom ambassador and Nikon Z creator. Whether she works in her studio or on location she has a big passion for lighting and people. She runs a portrait studio in the small town of Avesta but works all over Sweden with both commercial and private costumers.

When she's not photographing she likes to teach photography and has been working part time for Nikon at Nikon school, done education videos for Moderskeppet and taught portrait photography and lighting for Zoom Photo Tours.

She also has her own workshop concept "Play to learn workshops" that aims to bring photographers together to get inspired and learn from each other by working together.

She loves to try new things and she also does a great deal of work just for herself. Good pictures from these sessions often make competition pictures. She has won prices for her pictures both in Sweden and internationally.





First Half 2023 - Fashion / Beauty - Third place





Elena Mihailova

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 37.5



**Russian Federation** 

I am a professional children's and family photographer. And also a mother of four children, thanks to whom she found herself in the field of the photo industry. Before the birth of her three daughters, she worked in the film business and even made a good career. But after going on maternity leave, I got a new hobby that brings joy and pleasure — photography. I was so deeply immersed in this extraordinarily interesting creative process that my hobby turned into a professional activity. And I am insanely happy that I am doing my favorite thing, which inspires and inspires me. Today I can't imagine myself without a camera and filming.



Annual Final 2023 - Individuel - First place



Annual Final 2023 - Children - Second place



First Half 2023 - Portrait Creative - First place



Second Half 2023 - Children - Third place





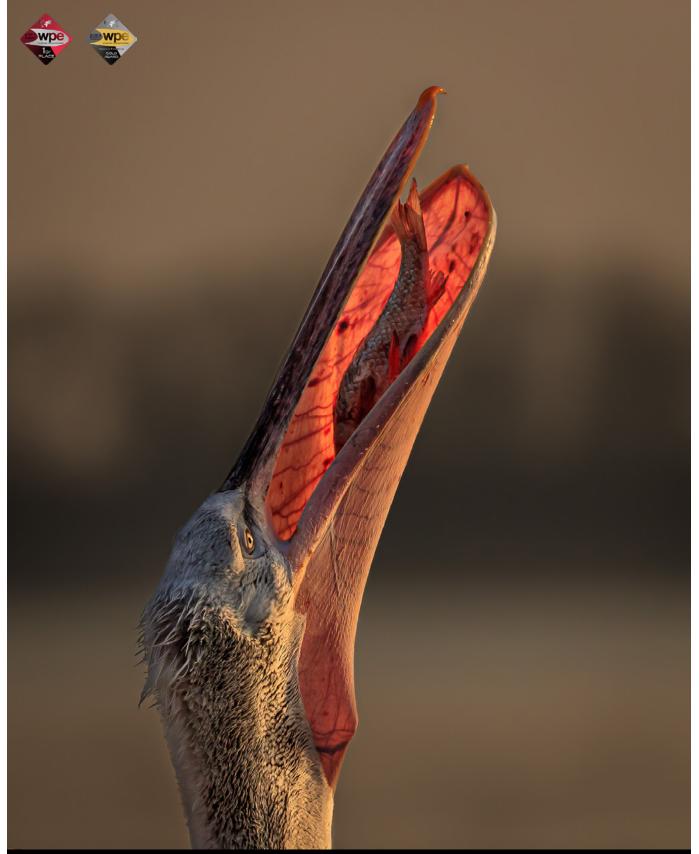
Arne is an experienced and passionate photographer, awarded both nationally and internationally. His speciality is wildlife and landscape, but is also an active portrait and sports photographer.

Arne lives in Stockholm, Sweden but enjoys seeing the world.



Second Half 2023 - Wildlife - Third place





Second Half 2023 - Wildlife - First place





**Chris Pegman** 

#### **Master of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 31.5



New Zealand

Chris is an experienced and passionate photographer, having won many awards for his images both nationally and internationally. His works include commercial images for NZ Tourism, Heritage New Zealand and many others, including 6 weeks recently in the Pitcairn Islands. Chris has been practicing as an Osteopath for over 30 years, and is a father of 3 daughters



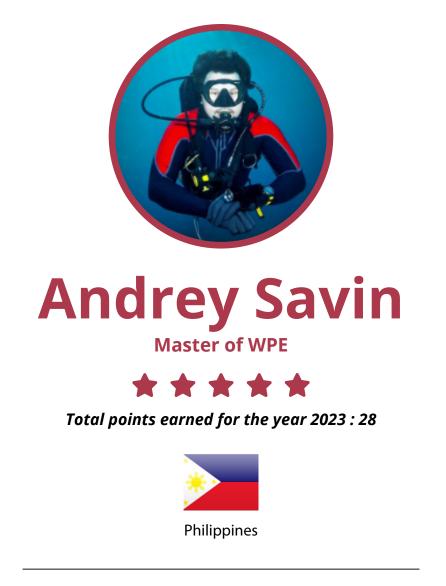




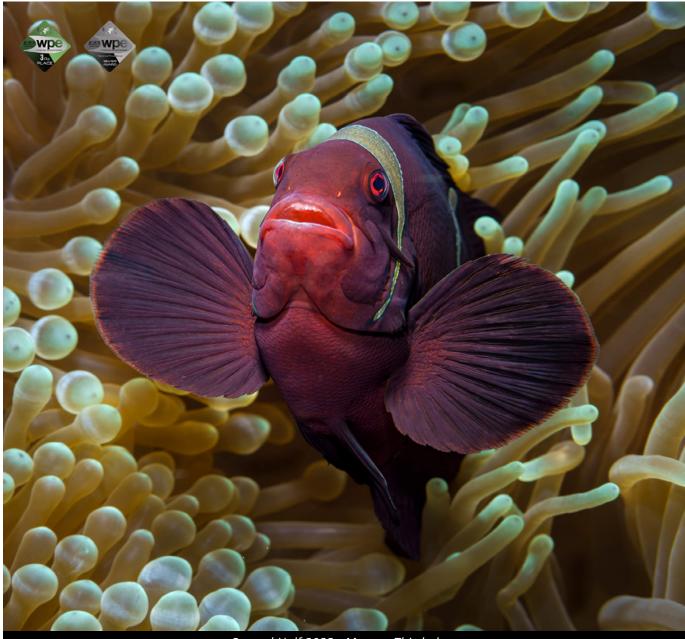
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First Half 2023 - Architecture - Second place



My name is Andrey Savin, I am from Russia, but in 2018 I move to Philippines in order to express myself in underwater photography and video. I live with my family on Negros Island, just opposite the famous Apo Island and dive solo almost every day. I have a constant assistant - one local guy whom I taught diving. My daughter, 6 years old, also knows how to dive and is probably the youngest driver on the planet. I shoot with two underwater cameras A7R IV and GH5 with a Ninja V monitor, as well as a wide range of lenses and underwater light. I'm a techie by nature - in 1993 I graduated from Lomonosov Moscow State University in Moscow, Faculty of Computational Mathematics and Cybernetics. I have an analytical type of thinking, I like to understand technical details, try new types of techniques and achieve goals. My Instagram is one of the most popular among underwater photographers. Over the past couple of years I have participated and have been the winner / prize winner of a number of photo contests. In the future, I would like to link my activities with a number of leading brands - manufacturers of professional equipment for underwater photography and participate in projects related to underwater photography and video shooting, as well as creating content for social networks



Second Half 2023 - Macro - Third place



John Markis

**Senior Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 27



"The word photograph literally means "writing with light". You could write a report about a circumstance, or, you could express yourself through poetry about the exact same circumstance. This exactly is John Makris' viewpoint on Wedding Photography.

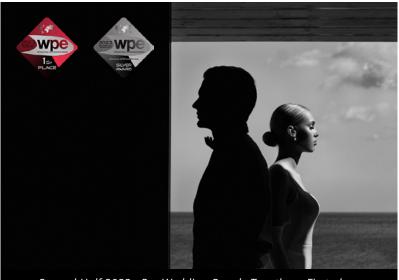
Having shot many weddings in every nook and cranny of Greece and in many countries overseas, he has come to love wedding photography dearly. He believes it is an extraordinary way to narrate the most beautiful day of a couple's life together, to contribute in recording the story and offering the couple and their relatives a kind of special heritage.

John Makris has been awarded with a number of photography awards in Greece and on a worldwide level.





Annual Final 2023 - Pre Wedding Couple Together - First place



Second Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Couple Together - First place



First Half 2023 - Wedding Couple Together Wedding Day - First place



Second Half 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - Second place





Annual Final 2023 - Pre Wedding Couple Together - Third place



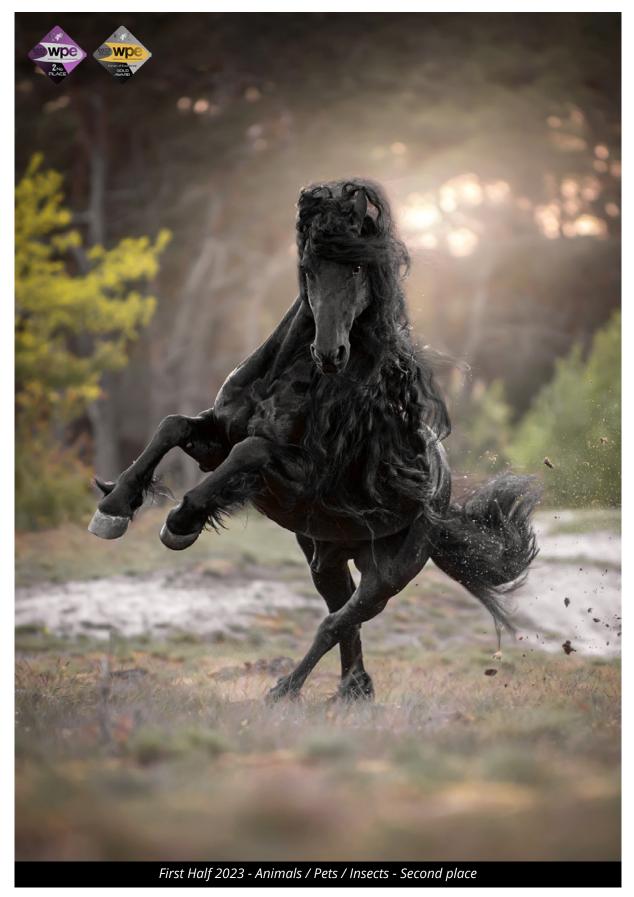


Hi there,

My name is Boukje, I was born April 10th in 1993. I've always wandered around with my camera as a teenager. Since 2019 I started professional photographing horses and dogs, those animals stole my heart from the start. I always try to create a soft, colourful and magical image and like to play with light in the background.

Currently I'm working with a Nikon Z7II, mostly combined with the Sigma Art 135mm f1.8 and Nikkor 85mm f1.8. Sometimes I also use my nikkor 70-200mm f2.8 lens, mostly when I'm making videos of horses in action.

Hope you all enjoy my work!







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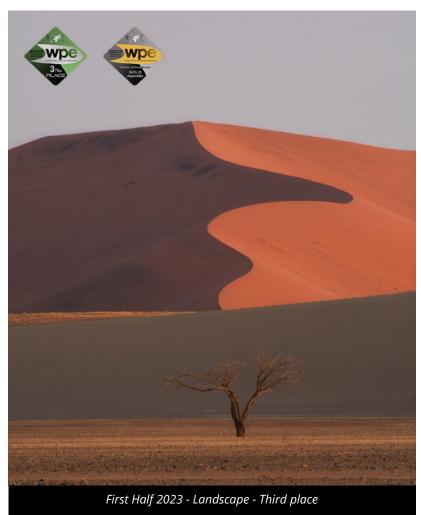
#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 20.5



Ukraine

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**Pia Rothmann** 

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 19



Pia is a portrait photographer living on the west coast of Norway, a little island called Askøy. She is specialized in woman's portraiture, maternity and boudoir.



Annual Final 2023 - Maternity - Third place





**Professionnal of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 18



Nikoletta is a portrait photographer and digital artist based in Leányfalu, Hungary. Specializing in business and beauty portraiture, she also ventures into the realms of creative, cosplay, and fantasy portraits. Her goal in each portrait is to convey a profound sense of beauty, elegance, and sophistication.

Driven by the belief that everyone deserves to feel confident and proud, Nikoletta strives to capture these qualities in her photographs. Her work transcends traditional boundaries, demonstrating that art can be a source of joy, playfulness, and boundless creativity, offering endless avenues for self-expression.

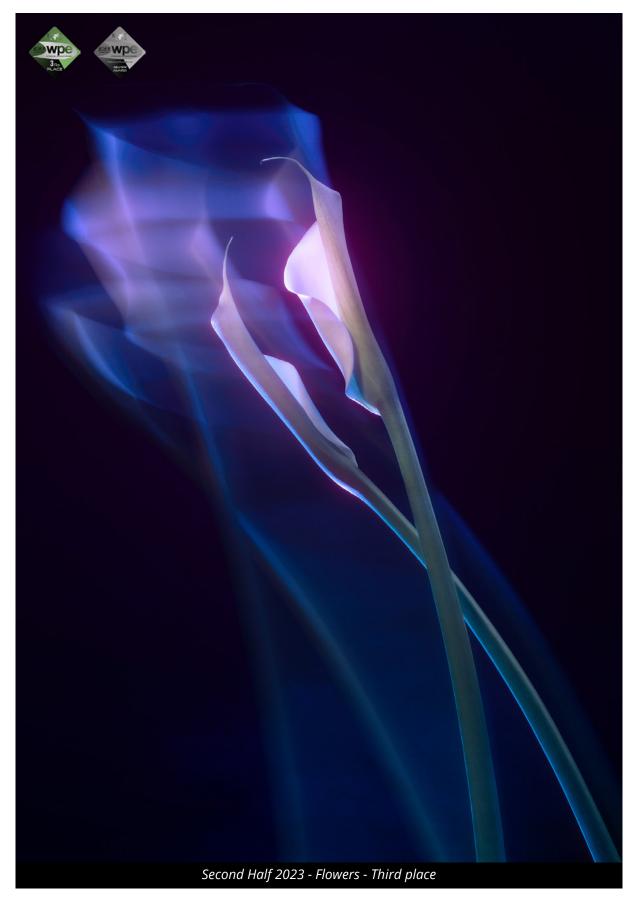
In recognition of her artistic achievements, Nikoletta earned the title of Artist of the International Federation of Photographic Art (AFIAP) in 2023.



Second Half 2023 - Storytelling With Collages - First place









**Andre Boto** 

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 17.5



Born in Silves and currently living in Lisbon area (Portugal), André Boto works mainly for companies and agencies, dedicating himself to the various areas of commercial and creative photography. Develops work in architectural, interior, industrial, product photography and also has experience in image post-production.

It associates creative and technical skills obtained over the years in the various courses he attended, with emphasis on the degree in Decorative Arts and the courses in Advanced Photography and Conceptual Photography through the "Oficina da Imagem" school.

The main achievments are the European Photographer of the Year 2010 by FEP and the two certificates of Master Qualified European Photographer.



Annual Final 2023 - Photomanipulation - First place



Annual Final 2023 - Commercial - Second place

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Annual Final 2023 - Photomanipulation - Third place



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# **Erzsébet Laufer**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**

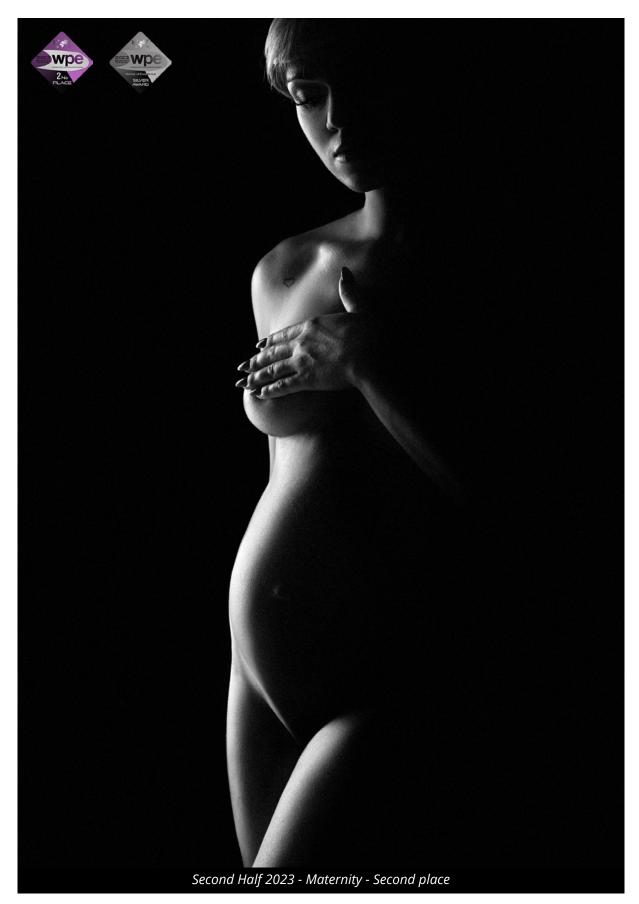


#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 16



Hungary

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# **Ben Connolly**

#### **Senior Master of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 15.5



Australia



First Half 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - First place





Annual Final 2023 - Wedding Couple Together Wedding Day - First place





Fenqiang Liu is a fine art nature photographer based in Orlando, Florida. His work captures the enchanting essence of natural Florida and beyond. With an education and experience in drawing, Chinese literature, cinema, and photography, Fenqiang utilizes his unique blend of cultural influences from both the East and West, along with his artistic background and mastery of photography, to express his thoughts and emotions in a distinct and meaningful way.

reFocus 2023 Color Photo Contest - Category & Gold Winner. WPE International Photography Awards 2023 – Gold & 2nd Place. AAP Magazine #32 B&W – 3rd Place. The Independent Photographer 2023 B&W Award – Finalist. Best Photo Awards 2022 – 1st Prize. reFocus 2022 B&W Contest - Category & Gold Winner. Creative Photo Awards 2022 - Category Winner. MonoVisions 2022 - Black & White Nature and Wildlife Series of the Year. All About Photo 2022 - Merit Award Winner. Fine Art Photography Awards 2022 - 1st Prize. PX3 2022 - Gold Winner. Tokyo Foto Awards 2022 – Gold. reFocus 2022 One Shot Contest – Gold & Silver. 2022 CARTE BLANCHE, B/W Category, Lucie Foundation – Finalist. FMoPA 2022 – "Best in Competition." Dodho Magazine #21 published the "Secret Garden" series. Dodho Magazine 2022 Monochromatic Awards – Top 25. Chelsea International Photography Competition 2022 - Selected Artist. The Independent Photographer 2022 B&W Award and Open Call Award - Editor's Picks. Chromatic Awards 2021 - 1st Prize. Monochrome Awards 2021 - 1st Prize.





### **Dave Mcellistrum**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 15



I have been shooting for 12 years and have a passion for both landscape and people photography. I particularly love images that portray, story, mood and emotion.



Second Half 2023 - Fine Art Nude - Second place



First Half 2023 - Fine Art Nude - Second place



Annual Final 2023 - Fine Art Nude - Second place



# Sheena Wolinski

#### **Master of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 15



My name is Sheena and I am the mother of four incredible souls who have taught me more about life than I ever knew possible. My journey started only a few short years ago when I decided to put my camera in manual mode. Since then, it's been my passion to learn something new every single day.





Patrizia Burra

**Senior Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 14



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WPE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER AWARDS 2019 Third Place + 4 Silver Awards. IPA AWARDS INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS - 6 Honorable mentions 2019. ONE EYELAND AWARDS TOP 10 FINE ART BRONZE 2019 CAT.Manipulation. WPE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER AWARDS 2019 Second Place + Gold Award CAT.Fashion/Beauty. MOSCOW INTERNATIONAL FOTO AWARDS - MIFA 2019 Gold Medal CAT. Fine Art - SILVER MEDAL CAT. Advertising/Beauty. TRIERENBERG SUPER CIRCUIT 2019 Gold Medal

FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS" 2019 : II Place Cat. Photomanipulation + 1 NOMINEE cat. Conceptual FEP PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2019 : Golden Camera cat. Fashion



Second Half 2023 - Portrait Al (Artificial Intelligence) - Second place



First Half 2023 - Photomanipulation - Third place



First Half 2023 - Storytelling With Collages - Third place



Nika Kuplenk

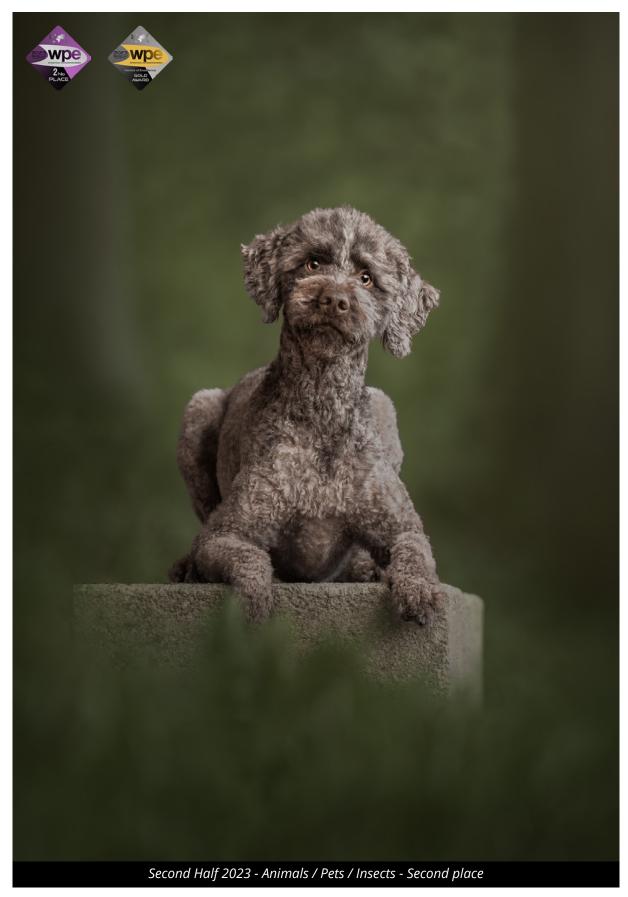
#### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 14



Hi, I am a pet photographer from Slovenia aspiring to get international recognition in pet photography awards. I love spending all my free time with my two dogs exploring new places and taking photos of them. I also love meeting new dogs and their people :)





Professionnal of WPE



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 14



I put my heart and soul in taking photos from animals, especially wildcats and dogs



Annual Final 2023 - Animals / Pets / Insects - Second place



Second Half 2023 - Wildlife - Second place



# **Massimo Giorgetta**

#### **Master of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 13.5



My name is Massimo, Max to abbreviate, I was born in Latina in 1961.

HIPA grand prize winner 2023 "Diversity"

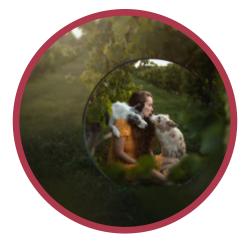
I started photographing at the age of 11, I am the son of art, so I acquired skills and professionalism over the years of my youth.

In 1981 I graduated from high school, and I started working as a professional photographer, sharing with my parent the activity, which I currently carry out, years in which I made my skills available, mainly for ceremony photos, industrial photos, fashion, etc.

In 2001 I obtained the Master's degree in Nudeart & Glamour.

Since 1984 I have been part of the NPS Nikon Professional Service as well as being a "Professional associated with the National Association of Professional Photographers TAU Visual".





# Veronika Šandorová

**Master of WPE** 



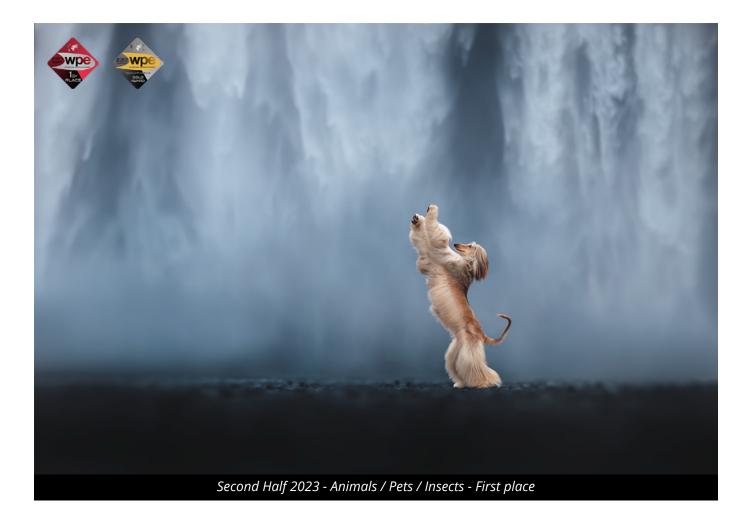
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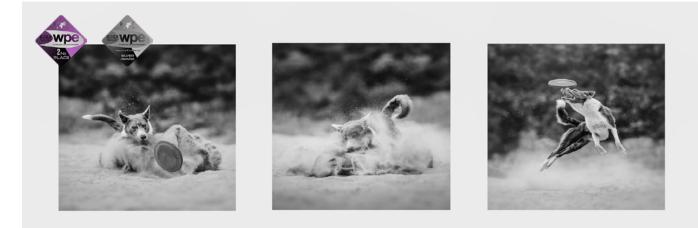


Hi everyone, my name is Veronika, and I am from a little country called Slovakia (middle Europe). I live and breathe for dogs, adventure and photography.

My passion for dog photography started when I became a happy owner of my first dog, Nabu. I quickly realized that I need lots of dogs around me and also I need to cuddle with every dog I meet. Three years ago, I became a professional dog photographer; it started right after a new family member came to our lives. Her name is Jada, and she was born to be a professional dog model. Thanks to my two girls (both are border collie), my passion more and more grew and I realized I want to make other people happy as I am when I am looking at pictures of my two girls.

We are a very adventurous family. We adore to hike, climb mountains, search for marvellous lakes or swim in the seas. Together we have already visited 14 European countries, plan to visit more :).





Annual Final 2023 - Storytelling With Collages - Second place

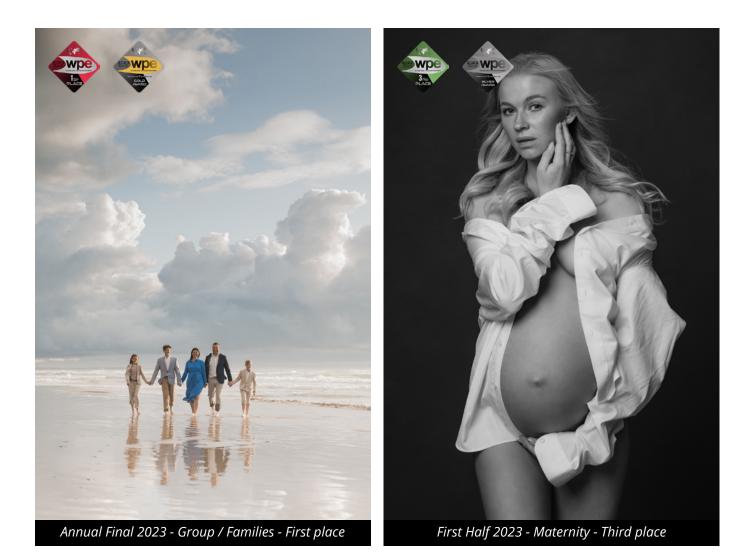


Peyman Naderi is a Persian contemporary fine art and portrait photographer born in 1990. He is a selftaught photographer who started his first professional projects in the year 2013. As he began his career as a professional photographer, his first motto was to create original and creative photos through which his own perceptions of the world and art could be understood. Also, he is eager to represent a unique way of looking at various concepts in the world. Peyman has received several awards including Second Place In Portrait in Fine Art Photography Awards 2020, Particular Merit Mention in All About Photo Awards 2020, Bronze in Fine Portrait and Fine Art Other in One Eyeland Photography Awards 2019, 1st Place in Conceptual in Chromatic Awards 2019, 2nd Place in Fashion in Chromatic Awards 2019, Gold In Moscow International Foto Awards 2019 in Portfolio Category, Bronze In Fine Art Photography Awards 2019 In Fine Art Category, Bronze In PX3 2019 In Fine Art - People and Also Peyman has been chosen as a 100 Great Photographers of 2018 and also Took 2nd Place In Conceptual Photo In 35Awards 2018, and also he has been Winner in ND Awards, Tokyo International Foto Awards, PX3, and International Photography Awards and V Concurso International De Fotografía 'Alicante' 2019.





Fulltime portrait photographer with amazing boutique studio right on the beautiful northern west coast of Denmark.







#### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 12.5



Myanmar





First Half 2023 - Photojournalism / Reportage / Culture - First place



First Half 2023 - Group / Families - Third place



Ali Zolghadri lives in Tehran, Iran. He continued his studies in computer science. He has been photographing for 7 years and

Iran

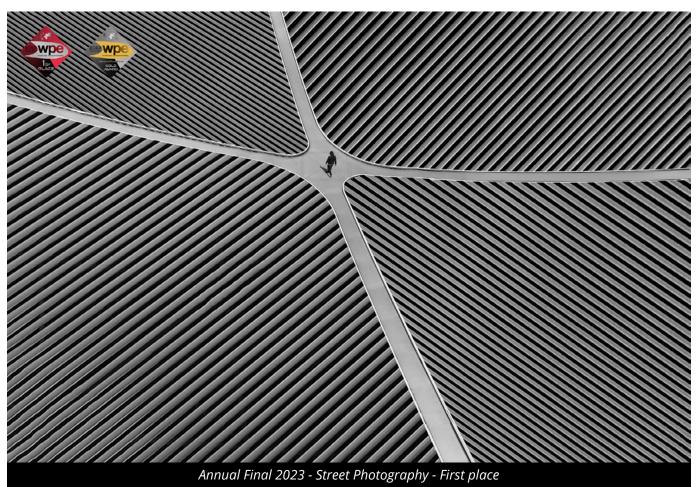
He has been doing professional photography in the style of minimalism and fine arts for 5 years. He lives in Tehran, Iran.

In these 5 years, professional photography has won more than 40 international photography competitions. He has won 24 international photography medals from several countries. His pictures have been published in 8 prestigious photography magazines.

For Iranian minimalist and fine art style photographer Ali Zolghadri , simplicity is the key element of his work . He finds most of his subjects in Tehran and always tries to include concept and content in the images he creates . Thereby , expressing the beauty of human moments and revealing clean , minimalistic line images in order to show Tehran's multiple facets , is one of Zolghadri's main objectives . Every of Zolghadri's photographs tells a story about the city of Tehran . Zolghadri's intense interest in simplicity as well as in the combination of the human mind with content and subjects is what led him to his photography style . In addition , his minimalist style stems from the desire for calmness and the avoidance of visual turmoil . How Zolghadri views his environment is a result of his thoughts which circle around the street subjects in his surroundings . One of the most central elements in this regard are shadows which also serve him as source of inspiration .









# **Rabih Madi**

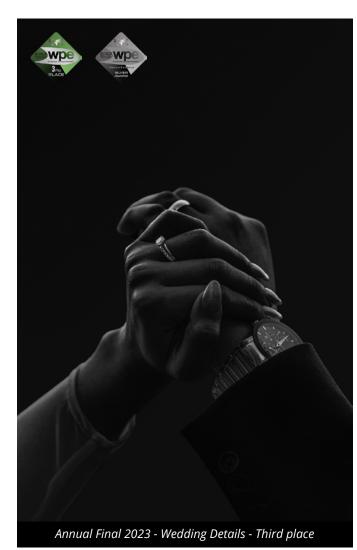
### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 12



Canada





Second Half 2023 - Wedding Details - First place



Annual Final 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - Second place



First Half 2023 - Wedding Photojournalism - Third place



Natalia Peryga

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 12



Natalia Peryga is a photographer from Poland, but we can meet her in many countries in the world. She has been interested in painting and a broadly defined art since she was young. Photography has become her mean of expression since 2006.

In her creative output, she has always tried to look for the non-standard or even controversial solutions. She has taken photos with the technique "CAMERA OBSCURA" or on an X-RAY equipment. She began combinig that ideas with wedding photography in 2019. In the same year, she took the 1st place in WPPI and some smaller awards, too.

> Fearless and ISPWP Award Winner She also took: - 5 x 2nd places in WPE - 3rd place in WPE She got the title "Professional of WPE". You can see her photos in "RANGEFINDER" among others.



Second Half 2023 - Wedding Photojournalism - Third place



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Annual Final 2023 - Groom Alone Wedding Day - Third place



First Half 2023 - Creative Wedding - Second place



First Half 2023 - Wedding Details - Second place



Irina Petrova

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 12



Irina Petrova is an internationally published and award winning photographer and artist. She specializes in wild life micro-photography and science fiction inspired installations organically integrating living and artificial entities. A unique feature of her work is she only uses retro manual focus lenses to share the wonders of the world. She has won a substantial number of awards and prizes, including 3 recent awards in BIFA 2020, winner of FEP Awards 2021 Nature Golden Camera and ND Discovery of the Year in category Nature 2019.



Annual Final 2023 - Macro - Third place



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# **Elena Plotnikova**

### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 12



Wedding photographer last 8 years. Only documental true style. Everything should be real. Last 3 years winner of many wedding awards. Judge 2022 in fearless awards, mywed, etc.



Second Half 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - First place



First Half 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - Second place



Onni Wiljami

### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 12



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First Half 2023 - Photomanipulation - Second place



First Half 2023 - Commercial - First place



First Half 2023 - Commercial - Third place



Portrait photographer based in Stockholm, Sweden. Mainly focus on fine art newborn and maternity images.





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#### **Master of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 11.5



Krzysztof Krawczyk

TOP 3 wedding photographer in Poland according to the MYWED. He specialize in wedding photography. he has several dozen international awards- MYWED, IWPOTY, WPE, PROWED. Title photographer of the year lookslikefilm and artist of the lookslikefilm. A dozen interviews in photo magazines, radio and television- the bigest magazine in Poland - fotoblogia, SLR Lounge, Digital Camera Polska, LooksLikeFilm, Niezle Aparaty, TVP - Polish public television and another. Juror IGHA in 2019.

Loving father and husband, loves good food, sport and films.





Second Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Couple Together - Second place



# Ali Sahebi

### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 11.5



Iran





# **Craig Turner-Bullock**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 11.5



New Zealand

Self-confessed crazy cat daddy, puppy parent & patisserie addict Craig has been photographing pets since 2001. Craig's business, Furtography, is based in Christchurch, New Zealand. He works with private and commercial clients all over the world to capture images filled with colour, pursonality and sparkle!

Craig is the photographer/author of three bestselling books, including Quake Dogs, which spent 10 weeks at #1 on the NZ Bestsellers list! In 2018 Craig won the title of New Zealand Portrait Photographer of the Year, the first time in the 80-year history of NZIPP that the award had been given to images of non-humans. Craig has now won more than 100 awards and titles for his pet images around the world. He is also an official ambassador for Fujifilm Global.

As well as client work, Craig loves working with charities on adoption photographs and is an ambassador for the Kotuku Foundation Assistance Animals Aotearoa, who train and place assistance dogs with those who need them.

Unleashed Education is an online education resource for pet photographers that Craig launched with renowned Australian pet photographer Charlotte Reeves early in 2021. It focuses on the creative aspects of pet photography, including Craig's Foundation course "Unleash Your Style", which helps photographers find their creative voice, or as he calls it, their glitter. Craig has been teaching online and in-person workshops and speaking at national and international events since 2015.



Annual Final 2023 - Storytelling With Collages - First place





**Amber Henry** 

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 11



Amber is a professional speaker, teacher and mentor, based in Michigan. Amber is a Magmod Ambassador, an Associate of WPPI, and her work has been displayed on magazine covers, and wedding guides, and has received huge industry praise. She is proudly a featured 'Fearless Photographer' and member of "World's Best Wedding Photos" as well as a "Top 20 Rockstar Photographers" of Senior Inspire Magazine. Most recently Amber took home 1st place in the Wedding Photojournalism category at Wppi's 16x20 Print Competition 2022.







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# **Christoforos Mechanezidis**

**Professionnal of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 11



Germany

Freelance photographer since 2006. Specialised in wedding & family reportages. Special skill : creative off camera flash photography ! =)



First Half 2023 - Wedding Couple Together Wedding Day - Second place





Qiuyue Wang Expert of WPE

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Total points earned for the year 2023 : 11



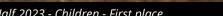
USA



Annual Final 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - Third place









Annual Final 2023 - Children - First place



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### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 10.5



Iran







## **Prokopis Manousopoulos**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 10.5



Prokopis Manousopoulos is a second generation photographer, who lives in Greece in a small provincial town Zacharo which is located near Ancient Olympia. The photography genders that thay include in their occupation are wedding and portrait.

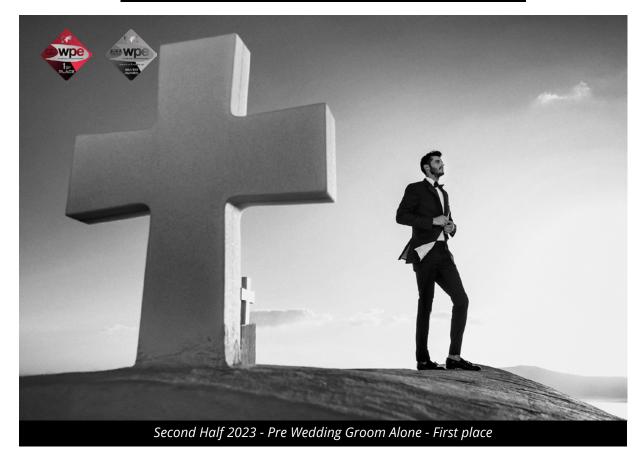
Prokopis loves telling stories through his photos. He uses light with creativity and his photos describe the personality and the culture of the pictured people. He wants emotions to be present in each and every photo frame of his.

His passion and love for wedding and portrait photography are some of the factors that helped him improve him self.

Prokopis owns the title MASTER photographer at WEP (world elite photographers), and PWS (photo wedding stories). Photos of his have been awarded at Greek and global competitions.



Second Half 2023 - Storytelling With Collages - Third place





# **Mariana Rodriguez**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 10.5



Mariana Rodríguez Barrera from CDMX Graduated in Biological Pharmaceutical Chemistry. Since she was little she liked to collect life experiences through images and objects, over time she noticed that her interest in photography was growing and a few years ago she got her first professional camera.

She likes to photograph the places she visits and, above all, to capture details that for many are imperceptible due to the neatness of life.

Without having studied photography, with a self-taught spirit and constant practice. Her personal project now continues to develop in his own way through a language of lights and forms in symmetry with the surroundings of the places she visits.





# Anna Arvidsson

### **Master of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 10







Andy Cheung

### **Master of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 10

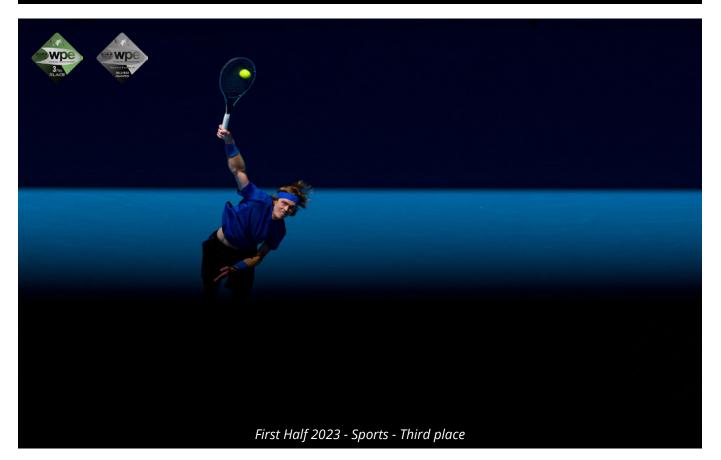


Australia

At ArcK Photography, we are passionate about capturing joyful moments and beautiful images of you and your loved ones. We are a multi-award winning portraiture, commercial, car and sports photography studio located at leafy Turramurra, Sydney, Australia. We also deliver professional large format and fine art printing services to consumers, photographers and artists.



Annual Final 2023 - Sports - Second place





# **Tibor-Florestan Pluto**

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 10



Germany

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Photographer, freelancer. Mostly specializing in portrait and creative photography (composing).

Was born at 1981 in Germany. I lived about 30 years in Saint Petersburg, Russia. I got my higher education at the University of film and television.

I live in the north of Israel and raise my three sons. I'm Fond of photography about 10 years and I started doing creative photography 2 years ago.





**Patricio Flexas** 

## **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 9.5



Mexican photojournalist who loves gastronomy, horror movies and coconut ice cream with dulce de leche. Boca Jrs fan. Old school punk.



Annual Final 2023 - Wedding Photojournalism - First place



# **Jose Miguel Picon Chimelis**

## **Professionnal of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 9.5



Spain

CONCURSOS: Menciones, nominaciones, diplomas y medallas nov. 2022 - jun. 2023: .ASISA FOTO 2022: FIAP (Mención de honor) (26-11-22) .72 TROFEU PELL 2022: CEF (Mencion de honor) (18-12-22) .FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS 2023: Nominado en la 91 edición de los premios FINEART, categoría paisaje : 2 cerficaciones (nivel experto amateur) (2-4-23) .DRONE PHOTO AWARDS 2023 (SIENA) finalista con dos fotografías aéreas de paisaje. .XV CONCURSO ESTATAL DE FOTOGRAFIA VILA DE SANT BOI FCF ( 3º puesto de la categoría de viajes, medalla dorada) (13-05-22) .VIII 35 ADWARDS: Cerficado top 100 mejores fotografos y top 100 mejores fotografias y los 100 mejores de España en fotografía aérea con drone. (16-5-23) XLV CONCURSO DE FOTOGRAFIA VILA D'ALMENARA IX SALON INTERNACIONAL DIGITAL 2023: Medalla de oro FIAP (28-06-23) .FOTOARTREUS.EUROPA 2023.INTERNATIONAL FOTO CIRCUIT:Diploma circuit Europa, Mencion de Honor CEF, Mención de honor FIAP en la categoría de paisajes (5-06-23). .WPE AWARDS INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPY:3 fotografias con los sellos (honors excellence Silver award ) v 3 certificaciones: In recognion of Photographic Excellence from PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS EUROPE COMMUNITY First Half 2023 Only Compeon Honors of Excellenc. (10-06-2023)





# **Michelle Dawkins**

## **Distinguished of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 9



Washington State native, Michelle Dawkins began her artistic journey when she was very young. Being brought up in a family who appreciated art and were artists themselves, Michelle was raised to always have an open and creative mind. She moved to Maryland to attend college and earned her degree in Art & Animation. She began her adventure into dog photography in 2019, when she decided to grab her Nikon camera and photograph her dog Troy. The images on her camera of him running along the shore of the Chesapeake Bay inspired her to practice more and invest in training. Since 2021, Michelle has competed in many prestigious photography competitions around the world, receiving top awards for her work.



Annual Final 2023 - Animals / Pets / Insects - Third place



**Pavel Surovy** 

### **Professionnal of WPE**

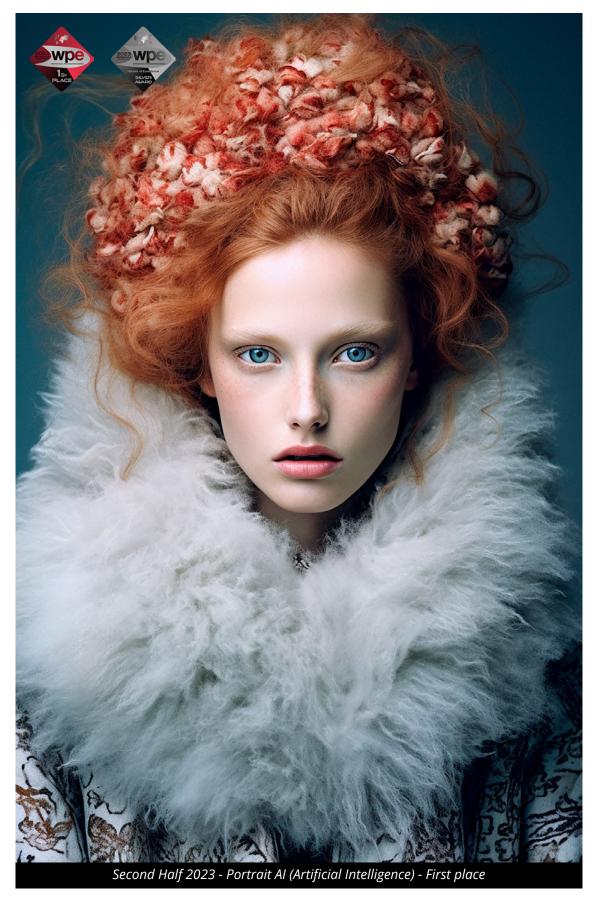


Total points earned for the year 2023 : 9



Serbia

Winning graphic designer, portrait and fashion art photographer based in Serbia.





To create works of art and photos, you need to get acquainted with the criteria and basics of aesthetics in art, especially in photography. Knowing these criteria is necessary to achieve a unique style in photography and to distinguish the works from other photographers. Therefore, it is not easy to be included in the large photography community. Sara Goli is one of the artistic photographers and the owner of a style that was able to achieve significant success in a short period of time. The unique view of this Iranian photographer in the field of architecture and street photography, by leaving the limits of traditional art, attracted the attention of judges and photography associations, and this caused this photographer to become an international photographer and owner of style among the greatest photographer.Sara Goli is known as an international photographer in the world with 5 years of experience in editorial,digital ,architecture and street photography based on her technique, creativity and talent in understanding color and aesthetics. She has been recognized by the FIAP International Federation of Photography with numerous awards and honors that she has registered in her name. She has been able to win medals and positions from GPU, IAAP, PSA, and FIAP and other international organizations in various photography competitions in countries such as Croatia, Germany, Bulgaria,Italia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, India, and England.







# **Claudiu Guraliuc**

### **Professionnal of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8.5



I am a full time portrait and wedding photographer, based in Cluj, Romania.

During the last 5 years i`ve had the privilege to photograph over 100 couples both nationally and internationally. Also, i have photographed projects for numerous commercial clients, from oil companies to restaurants, healthcare, IT or jewelry retailers.

I am a Master Photographer, holding the Associate distinction with The Master Photographer's Association, UK`s main qualifying body for professional photographers, and the distinction of Licentiate of the Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain

The greatest honor I have been awarded in my photographic career so far, is the Fine Art Photographer of the Year award I received in October 2020, at the Master Photography Awards Gala in the UK, with an image part of my painterly, baroque-inspired series.

In 2018, I received a double Award of Excellence in the Creative Wedding category, in recognition of outstanding photographic skill and excellence in imaging, from the Master Photographer`s Association UK Nominated in the Top 3 destination wedding photographers by the Destination Wedding Planners Congress 2019, in Dubai, UAE. The DWP Congress is recognized as the world's strongest business platform set to honor excellence in the luxury wedding industry.

I had my work published by the largest circulation photography magazines in US (Popular Photography) and UK (Digital Photo Pro) and i am currently represented by the Katsea Art Gallery Baltimore MD.







## **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8.5



Anna is a passionate fine art photographer, specialised in child portrait and female portrait photography. She born in Hungary, but she work and live in the Netherlands. She is a mother of 3 children.





**Alin Panaite** 

**Professionnal of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8.5



Alin Panaite is a photographer and educator based in Constanta, Romania. Shooting mainly fine art portraits and nudes, he's been teaching photography at Avatar Photography School for more than 12 years and also had dozens of workshops on portrait, nude and studio photography.

Alin is the editor in chief at Avatar Photo Magazine, a printed magazine on photography and visual education and also produced Photomania -a TV show on photography at a national Tv Station.



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# **Radoslav Cernicky**

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8



I am from Kremnica (Slovakia) and when I was a child I loved nature walks and I still love. I am a naturebonded and I wanted to show other people the beauty that I see. I started to make a picture during the walks and in the 2012 I started to interest in taking landscape pictures more and more so I decided to buy my first camera. I try to take a landscape picture in the golden hour (also sometimes called magic hour) because of the beautiful, diffused light that is created by the sun being low in the sky to get really stunning landscape photo. You can see this scenery only in special time period and it takes only a few minutes and it is every time unrepeatable and I want to share this beauty during my pictures.

I try to share with my picture not only places which I visited but I try to share feelings and emotions from theater made by nature. Thanks of making picture I learned to see landscape with other point of view. I eye the light, the shadows and how they add depth and interest to scenery.



First Half 2023 - Landscape - First place



**Catherine Chong** 

## **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8



Malaysia

Catherine Chong, currently based in Malaysia, is an amateur photographer who begins her photography journey at the end of 2017. She started with landscape and portraits.

She passionate about macro photography in year 2020. She enjoys capturing the world of tiny creatively.





Je m'appelle Hichem Khalil GHOUFIR. J'ai 41 ans. Je suis basé à Port de Bouc dans le sud de France. La photographie a une place importante dans ma vie depuis toujours. Elle est plus qu'une passion, c'est un mode de vie, l'envie depuis tout jeune de tout garder en souvenir. Puis les belles rencontres de la vie vous amènent dans le monde professionnel. J'ai de la chance d'avoir pu croiser des personnes sincères qui ont fait de moi ce que je suis aujourd'hui. Parmi ces personnes, il y a bien sur David Bulent Bag qui a littéralement changé ma vision des choses et qui m'a fait progresser. Aujourd'hui je suis fier d'être MASTER des WPE et d'avoir ces 62 prix WPE. C'est une reconnaissance. Avec travail et humilité rien n'est impossible. Merci à tous.



First Half 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - Third place



Professional photographer with a specialized education and experience of more than 14 years, I have a 5th category photographer; Member of the Union of Photographers of Belarus; Participant of international photography competitions; EPA European Photography AWARDS - PLATINUM WINNER INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHYR AWARD - TOP 35 Fashion & Glamor photographer The works have been published in different countries on the covers of magazines and advertisements for brands such as: Promessa, Salon TONE, Vigor magazine, Ellements magazine New York, Vivier magazine New York, Imirage magazine Kanada, GTYLECRUZE New York, Moevir NY, Imagism, Retouchingacademy, Make -up TRENDY, Domik, Muafestival, Scorpiojin, Amberzine, TOp posters, Dolche and many more... Worked with international and Belarusian brands of cosmetics: BelorDesign, Specialcosmetics, Relouis, Bernovich, Bbrosecosmeticss, etc.



First Half 2023 - Fashion / Beauty - First place



First Half 2023 - Individuel - First place



# **Miriam Odegaard Skeide**

## **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8



Miriam runs a small studio in Averøy/ Kristiansund at the north west coast of Norway (Mitt lille studio) since 2012. Her speciality is newborns, but she does all kinds of portraits, through all ages, both private and business.

In 2016 she won Landskonkurransen in Norway and the title Norwegian Photographer of the Year in the annual national competition for professional photographers held by Norges Fotografforbund, NFF (The Norwegian photography association)

In 2018 and 2019 she won the title local Photographer of the Year of in the annual local competitions for professional photographers, held by the local groups of Norges Fotografforbund. (Møre og Romsdal Fotograflaug) and in 2017 she place 2nd.

In 2019 she earned the title Qualified European Photographer of the Federation of European Photographer. (QEP)

She has also won several single awards in WPPI, EPOTY (European Photographer of the Year), One Eyeland, among others.







**Aquilino Paparo** 

### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 8



I am a professional photographer

Photography is a passion of mine, since my early age. I was just eleven, when I went with my father, for the first time, in a dark room, where I put my hands in the trays with chemicals for the development and I noticed incredulously the image that gradually formed on the white surface of the paper.

Today, after so many years and after millions of shots, I am here to talk about photography. I'm a person who was able to transform a passion in his profession.

At the age of 12, after being my father's assistant for many times, and after taking photos with my first Hasselblad, I did my first wedding shooting. Being incredulous in the work I did, I managed to have a good result.

Since then I kept on taking photos and on being praised by all those who looked at my photos. After graduating the secondary school, I decided to turn my passion into a job.

I received a diploma as a photography operator at the school of I. P. I.A Casanova of Naples. I wasn't enough for me, I wanted more, therefore I decided to apply for the School of Photography and Cinema, which was in Rome.

At the INSTITUTE OF CINEMA AND TV ROBERTO ROSSELLINI I obtained a diploma of STILL PHOTOGRAPHER AND PHOTOJOURNALIST.

I just needed another year for getting the STATE DIPLOMA IN FILM AND TELEVISION TECHNIQUE, achieved in 1996 with the highest number of votes.





I am Samira Hesami from Iran, born on 1/7/1999. I started photography professionally in 2019. In the 8th edition of the 35awards annual competition, I was able to be the 35th best photographer and 35th best photo in the women's portrait section, as well as the 35th best photographer Iran and Tehran, I was selected in all sections and a photo of me was published in the annual catalog.



Second Half 2023 - Individuel - Second place



Annual Final 2023 - Individuel - Second place



### **Olha Melokhina**

#### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7.5



USA





### Arun Mohanraj

#### **Master of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7.5



Primarily wildlife and sports photographer but passionate about any genre of photography that exudes emotion. Fortunate enough to travel to countries across the continent including South Africa, Kenya, Botswana, Congo,Indonesia, the Arctic and Antartica amongst various other countries in search of Wildlife.

> Winner British photography(BPA) awards 2020 - Macro section Finalist British photography awards (BPA) - sports category Finalist ESPSON pano Awards Australia 2016 Winner -Le Prix de la Photographie de Paris (PX3) - advertising 2016 Overall winner - one eye land photography awards 2017 Winner - Siena international photography awards 2021 - creative section. Winner - Trierenberg super circuit 2021



Annual Final 2023 - Wildlife - First place





# Yevgeniy Repiashenko

#### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7.5



Yevgeniy Repyashenko was born in Kiev, Ukraine in 1979. At the age of 20, while studying at the National Technical University, he starts to work with his first SLR camera. His works always reflect poetic beauty, naked grace and harmony. Being fascinated with classical sculpture and Renaissance painting, Yevgeniy finds a new creativity direction - sculpture photography and the plastic movement. Flawless nudity of ballerina's and gymnast's bodies freezes in a fit of dance leaving the strongest feelings and passion in the frame. At first glance, they do not seem real, but sculpted by hands of the master. His SPIRIT series is a combination of the texture of classical sculpture with the filling of modern rhythm and emotions.



Annual Final 2023 - Fine Art Nude - Third place



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### **Daniel Wenzel**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7.5



I was born in 1974 in the Caribbean because my parents were stationed there. They were stationed there because my father was a member of the Dutch Elite Forces, The Royal Netherlands Marine Corps (RNLMC). Coming from a military family I decided to join the RNLMC as well and I succeeded and I became an officer within the Marines. After 16 years and several missions I went to Afghanistan. Later on this became the turning point in my career and my life.

During that mission I lost a good friend and colleague. And after that mission I became very ill. It took me almost 2 years to recover. A long struggle to return in this highly competitive and fysica demanding field of work. But I managed. During this period of recovery I picked up Photography and started my own business. even And customers really seemed to enjoy my work.

It was during this period that I also became a father of a son and later a second. This was the turning point in my life. The thoughts of being sent abroad and leaving my wife and kids was something I couldn't think of. The next step was that I resigned and became a full time photographer.

I'm a self-taught photographer and eager to learn and develop. In 2020 I reached the 4th place in the World Photographic Cup (WPC) and a variety of international and national awards for which I'm very proud.



Second Half 2023 - Photomanipulation - Third place



Laura Bertilotti, ower Paloma Photography, is a photographer for contemporary women, specializing in highend Maternity Portraiture. She studied with international top-notch industry photographers, which developed her skills to join international competitions.

Laura loves the emotional strength of B&W photography, the female body's elegance and the emancipation that pregnancy gives. Her primary aim is to provide an unforgettable journey to all those women who have been trusting in her photography work, creating an experience that makes them strong and truly aware of their unique beauty, turning the intangible into tangible images of their own souls.

Explore more about her stunning images on IG @paloma.photography.pisa





### **Daniel Dahme**

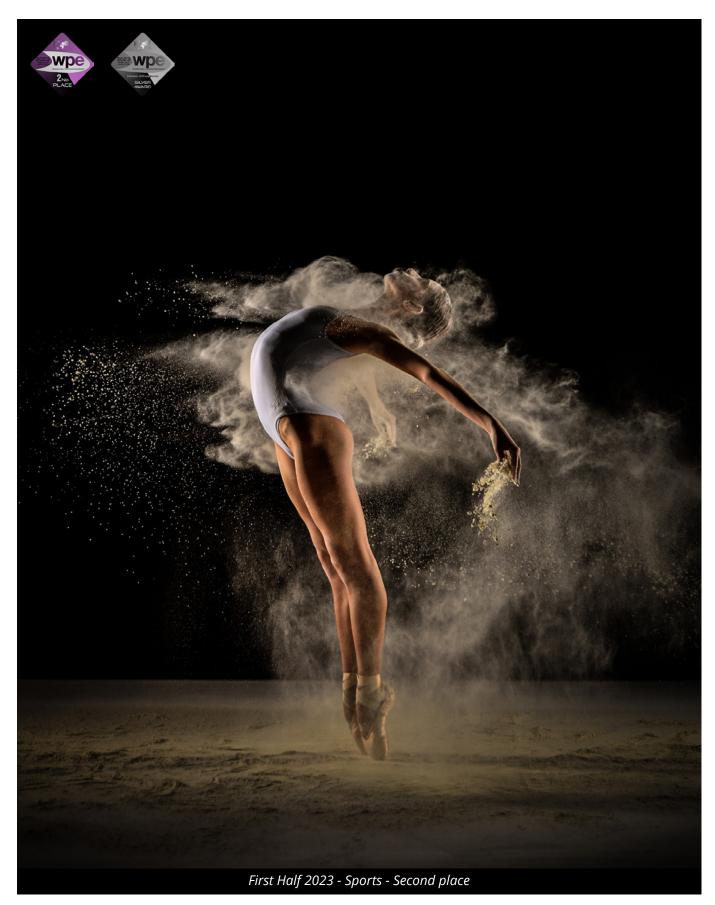
#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7



Germany







#### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7



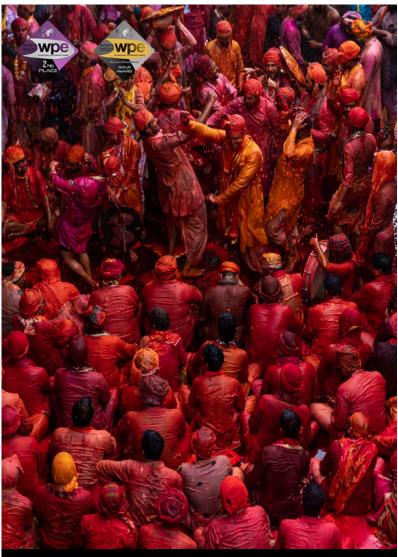
I was born in 1985. I work as a customs officer in Turkey. I have been taking photos for a long time. I really enjoy taking photos and traveling.



Annual Final 2023 - Aerial / Drone - First place



Annual Final 2023 - Aerial / Drone - Third place



Annual Final 2023 - Photojournalism / Reportage / Culture - Second place



My name is Jacqueline Dooren. I'm a Dutch photographer based in the heart of Amsterdam, specialized in stills and portrait photography. With a deep appreciation for the natural beauty of individuals, my work focuses on capturing the unique characteristics that define each person. In my portraits I'm often using black and white, for me this emphasises the authenticity of a person. I believe that this approach reveals a deeper sense of reality, showcasing the true spirit of the people I photograph. For stills photography I stay close to the product to highlight its details. My passion for lighting and the use of colors gives them life and vibrancy, transforming ordinary objects into the extraordinary.







#### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7



Becky Fleury is from Winnipeg, Canada who holds a passion for pushing boundaries. She is Canada's 2022 Portrait Photographer of the Year (Professional Photographers of Canada) and has won numerous awards for her portrait work. Becky specializes in fine art portraiture for newborns, maternity, children, families and athletes.





**Hector Gomez** 

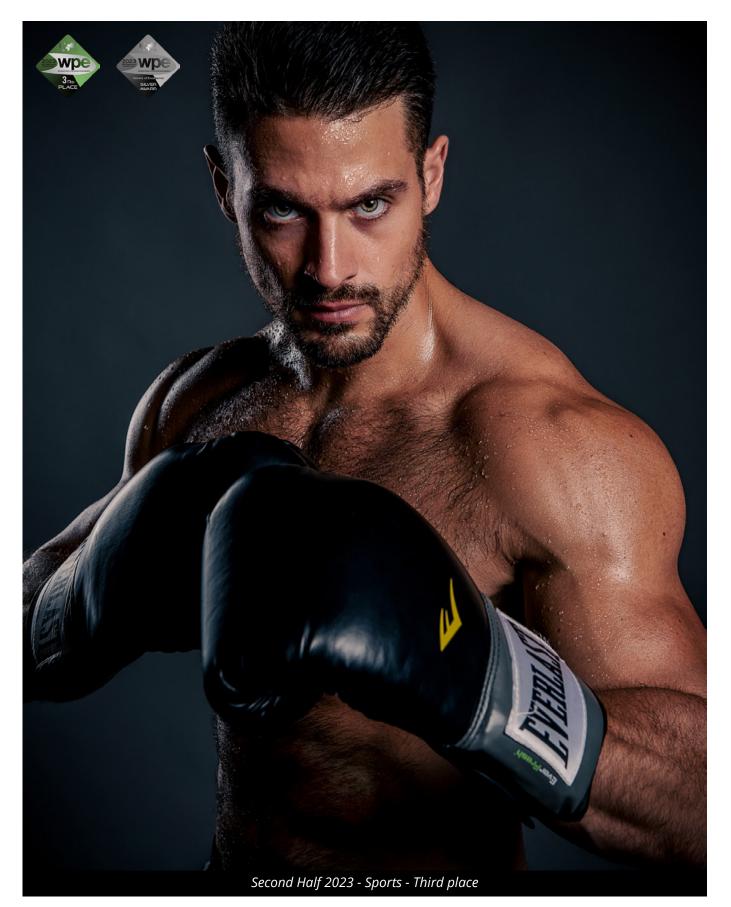
**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 7



Photographer, visual artist, and digital illustrator. Creating images that inspire an emotion in the viewer is my passion. Based in Mexico City, open to commissions.





## **Mohammad Dadsetan**

**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6.5



has a bachelor's degree in music with a focus on iranian composition. started photography activities in 2007 minimalist and...

Publication and printing of more than 400 works in various domestic and international galleries and magazines.

Winning various positions in domestic and world competitions.

PLACE NUMBER	
First Half 2022 Street I	Photography - First place



Douglas Devore Distinguished of WPE



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6.5



USA

My life has always revolved around a passion for artistic expression. Admittedly a tech geek, I love to combine creativity with gadgets, lighting, and unusual exposures to create a unique view of this incredible environment.

I love searching for shooting opportunities, and have a passion for spending hours or days at a location waiting for the elements of light and scenery to line up just right into that perfect combination that makes a photo magical.





### **Trine-Lise Henriksen**

**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6.5



Norway





### Ting-Chun Huang Distinguished of WPE



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6.5



Taiwan





### Adam Neuba

#### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6.5



Germany





# Susann Widjegaard

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6.5



Boudoir and Elopement photographer from the arctic northern Norway



Annual Final 2023 - Creative Wedding - First place



I live in a small village in the country with my husband and two dogs. I love photography and the motives vary from being a nature photographer to a family and a wedding photographer. I love my meetings with my customers or go out into nature myself and photograph everything that is offered there. I have photographed all my life, but it is not until recent years that I have invested in it. Now I regret that I did not invest earlier as a photographer. Because I love creating things, it gives me a lot when I get to sit at the computer and develop my images and be creative.





**Amber Griffin** 

**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6



New Zealand

A Grand Master of the NZIPP, Amber Griffin, is a commercial photographer and creative portrait artist. Amber is best known for her dance and movement photography and specialises in creative portraiture from her purpose-built studio in Wairarapa, New Zealand. Amber loves to collaborate with other creative minds to produce work that transcends the boundaries of expectation and borders photographic genres. She works cohesively with her clients to create bespoke portraiture that is both meaningful and authentic to their shared vision. Amber's work has received multiple awards at the highest levels both nationally and internationally. Most recently, Amber was awarded the 2023 NZIPP Photographer of the Year and was the 2022 APP International Photographer of the Year.



Annual Final 2023 - Sports - Third place



Annual Final 2023 - Portrait Creative - First place



Second Half 2023 - Portrait Creative - Second place



### Pezhman Karimi

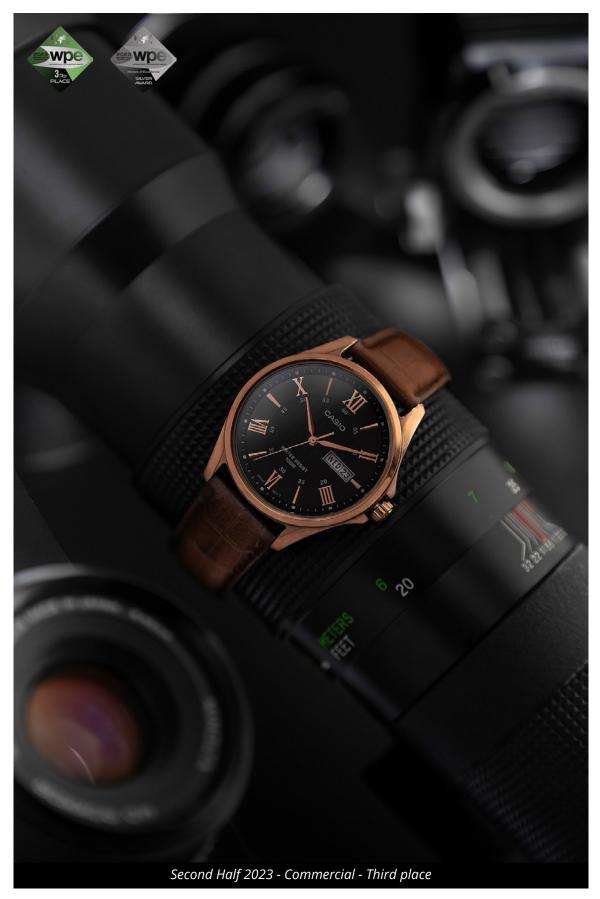
### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6



l'm pezhman, product photographer. I was Born in April 1988





### Frida Nolin-Kirkemo

### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6



Norway





"Del fotografare amo la ricerca della sintonia perfetta con il soggetto da riprendere e con le risorse tecniche e tecnologiche da impiegare.

Perché del soggetto – cosa, luogo o persona che sia – si colga quell'unico e irrinunciabile aspetto che lo racconta".

Diego Pomanti spiega così la sua passione che e anche il suo lavoro.

Fotografo alla continua ricerca del connubio tra precisione ed emozione, ha quella non usuale capacita di vestire di luce gli oggetti, gli ambienti, le persone.

Spazia attraverso tutti i temi della fotografia, privilegiando la comunicazione pubblicitaria, industriale, fashion e le riproduzioni d'arte.



Second Half 2023 - Food - Third place



Sam Sarkis

### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6



USA



Second Half 2023 - Bride Alone Wedding Day - Third place



### Aref Tahmasebi

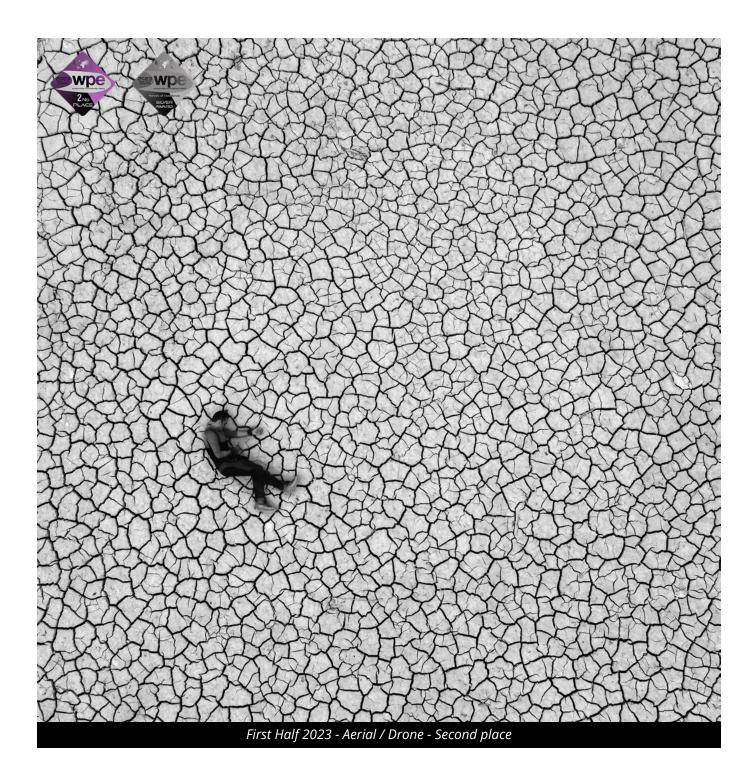
### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 6



Iran





Kelly is a photographer originally born and raised in New Jersey now settled in California she is a wife and mother to three. Traveling constantly finding new people to meet and photograph in the rarest of locations. At home having sessions of boudoir to emphasize and flourish the veiled beauty in her clients. Vision for her artistry stems from a lifetime of teaching and performing dance now cultivated into a Sensual, Artistic form in her photography with Creative Portraiture and Boudoir imagery. In her portraits there is a story emoting from the subject, however not easily seen but one she leaves for the imagination of others to create. Editorial with a Fine art feel paired with dramatic lighting is her stamp. The portraits she creates has a style of dimensional richness with her on location images photographed with interesting architectural backgrounds for the industrial feel with a minimalist aesthetic.





# **Farbod Jafarpour**

### **Distinguished of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5.5



**United Arab Emirates** 





### Kazutoshi Kawakami

**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5.5



Japan









I'm an enthusiastic photographer from The Netherlands and from an early age I was interested in the art of photography.

I learned so much and I'm happy to share my work in this network! Since a few years I have specialized in equine and dog photography, but I also really enjoy photographing landscapes and wildlife.



Annual Final 2023 - Wildlife - Third place



### **Юрий Подгрушный** Expert of WPE



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5.5



**Russian Federation** 

Macro photographer from Rostov-on-Don Lecturer of the Rostov-on-Don branch of the All-Russian State University of Cinematography named after S.A. Gerasimov (VGIK)



#### First Half 2023 - Macro - First place



### **Davide Francese**

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5



Davide Francese, specialized in photographic services for weddings and fashion, has been working as a professional photographer for over twenty five years. From a young age he experimented and enriched his training by taking part in numerous photographic courses and stages. Each of his shots, never banal, testifies to the commitment, passion and sacrifice of those who have dedicated and dedicate a large part of their existence to this sublime art. His every shot always manages to excite. QIP QUALIFIED ITALIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

The details, the light and the composition make his approach to modern and creative photography. Recently he has made photographic services also abroad and in particular in America.



Annual Final 2023 - Pre Wedding Groom Alone - Second place



First Half 2023 - Groom Alone Wedding Day - Third place





### **Donell Gumiran**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**

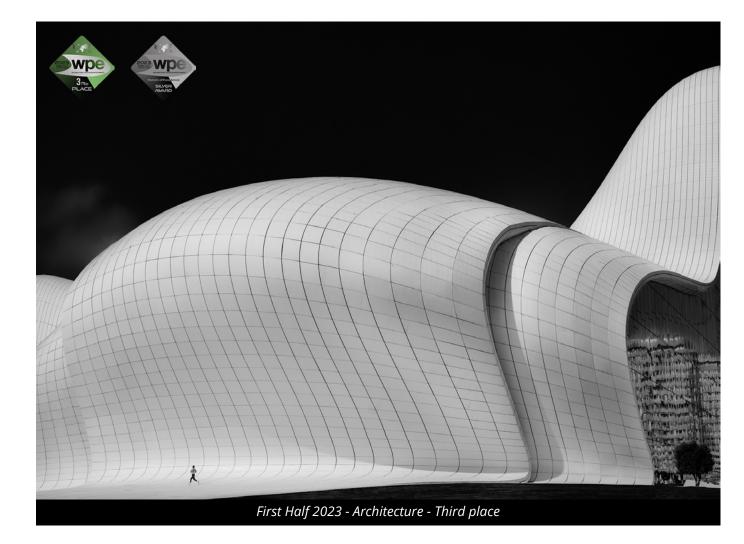


#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5



Donell Gumiran. He sees himself as an image-maker who captures and tells a story in a photograph. The Filipino lensman sees his photography as an art form, borne from his desire to create on canvas and his professional training in design when he worked as a design director in creative agency. Now based in the U.A.E. Donell is known for his evocative portraits and travel photography. His favorite subjects are those that capture human conditions and emotions in everyday life. His knack for sharing his stories, captured through the lens, has won him international recognition.

He was awarded as Grand Prize Winner for Travel Photo Awards Remote Expedition 2020 in London, UK & Paris, France. He is also the 1st Place Winner of the Fine Art Photo Awards in London, UK 2020, In 2019, he amassed several awards across the globe, including Photographer of the Year at the Spider Awards Black & White in the United States, Gold award at the Prix de la Photographie Paris, France and another Gold award at the Tokyo Foto Awards. 1st Prize Winner in thdocumentary category 2018 - International Photography (IPA) Awards Los Angeles, USA. 1st Place Winner 2018 The Independent Photo Travel Award, Berlin, Germany - He was adjudged the 2017 Grand Prize Winner of the Travel Photographer Society International Photography Contest Awards in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2017 and was awarded as "Portrait Photographer of the Year 2017" for Asian Geographic Images of Asia for its Asia without Borders program in





Joe is a self-taught photographer with a keen eye for capturing life's most precious moments. Nurtured in the bustling streets of Taichung, Taiwan, shuttled in the elegant atmosphere of London architecture, photography has always held a special place in Joe's heart. Through a steep learning curve and persistent practice, he has honed his photography to a level of proficiency. When he's not busy making people look their best (which is rare), you can find him at local coffee shops trying to score free drinks with his award-winning smile.

Specializes in crafting beautiful and romantic images that showcase the grandeur and aesthetic of portraits and weddings. By skilfully utilizing the surrounding landscape and architecture, he creates dramatic and striking images.

Joe's work has been recognized on an international level, earning him numerous awards, including first-place honours at prestigious photography competitions such as WPPI, IPA, MPI, WPE, ND Awards, One Eyeland, AsiaWPA, FAPA, and PPAC. He has been honoured with over 400 international awards, a testament to his skill and dedication as a photographer.



Annual Final 2023 - Pre Wedding Bride Alone - Third place



Second Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Bride Alone - First place



## **Cristina Lopes**

### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5



Brazil



Second Half 2023 - Wedding Photojournalism - First place



Hak Meng

#### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5

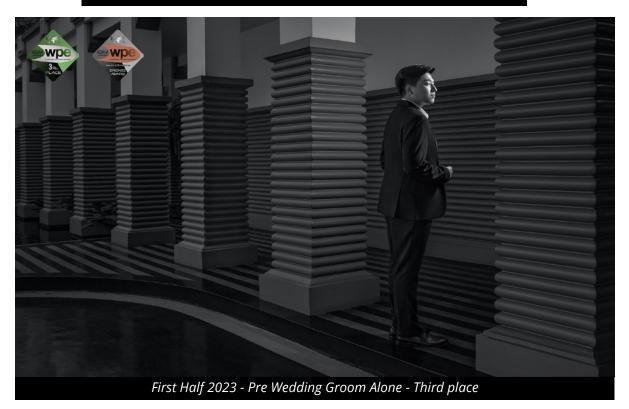


My name is Hak Meng, 32. I knew nothing about photography when I found my passion in it back in 2017. I was so passionate about it until I joined a few overseas pre wedding workshops in 2019 and 2020. Photography is still my learning process. I go out to learn and shoot and I make mistakes in a hope that I can discover answers to my questions about photography.





Annual Final 2023 - Storytelling With Collages - Third place



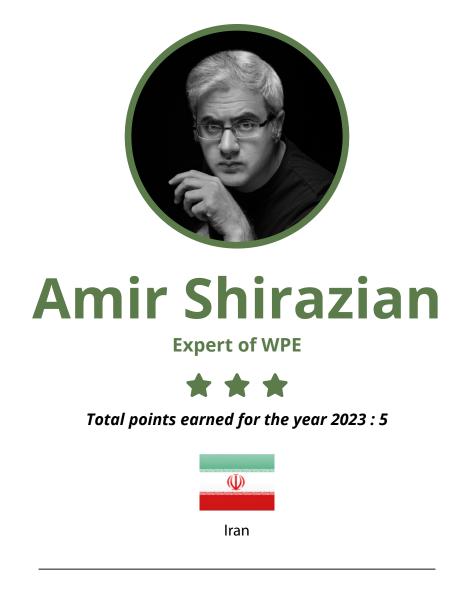




Karar Ali Sabih is a photographer from Iraq

A specialist in portraiture and street life, and always the best black and white photos. I participated in many international and local competitions, including in China, Oman, Morocco, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Russia, India and others. Also, I had many posts on the same site, and I also won first place in the Photocrowd site, the international smile contest, and I had participation in many international and local exhibitions as well.





Some people call me advertising photographer. I love creating and showing my fantasy world to other people.





Sergey Yudin



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 5



**Russian Federation** 

My name is Sergey Yudin, born in 1983 in Chelyabinsk, Russia. I am engaged in portrait photography for 4 years. I prefer dramatic black and white photography, artistic portrait photography, as well as aesthetic nude and fashion.

Participated in many international photo contests, festivals and achieved the following results: - Gold Medal PSA at the 1st Circular Exhibition of Photography "FKNS SLM CIRCUIT 2021" (Serbia) - Silver Medal of Gilavar, Gilavar Ribbon, IAAP ribbon at Azerbaijan Photo Salon 2022

- Two honorary mentions at the Grand Eurasia Circuit Photo Show 2022

- Diploma at the International Photo Contest ribeirao preto 2022 (Brazil)

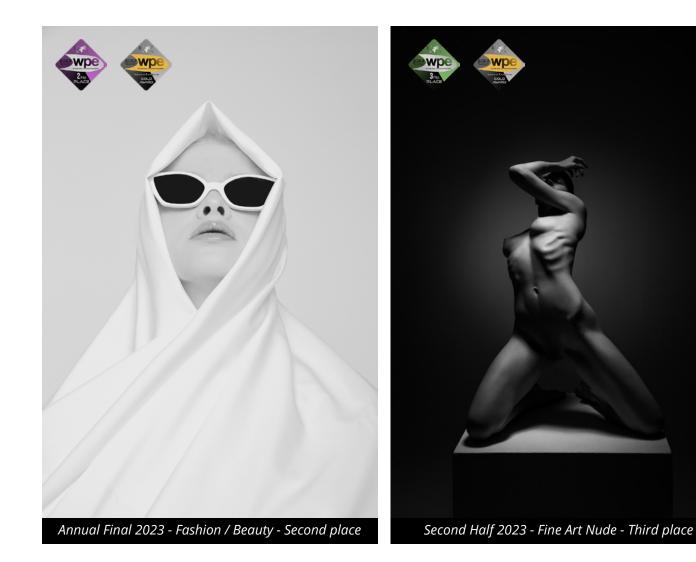
- Finalist Siena International Photo Awards 2022 (Portrait)

- Winner of the portrait photography thematic competition at 35awards 2021.

- The 35awards Audience Award in the Fashion & Glamour category at the end of 2021.

Since 2020 my photos are included in the final catalog of the best works of the year by the largest international photo contest 35awards.

Also my works are published in glossy magazines, photo catalogs and photo books. Participant of international exhibitions.





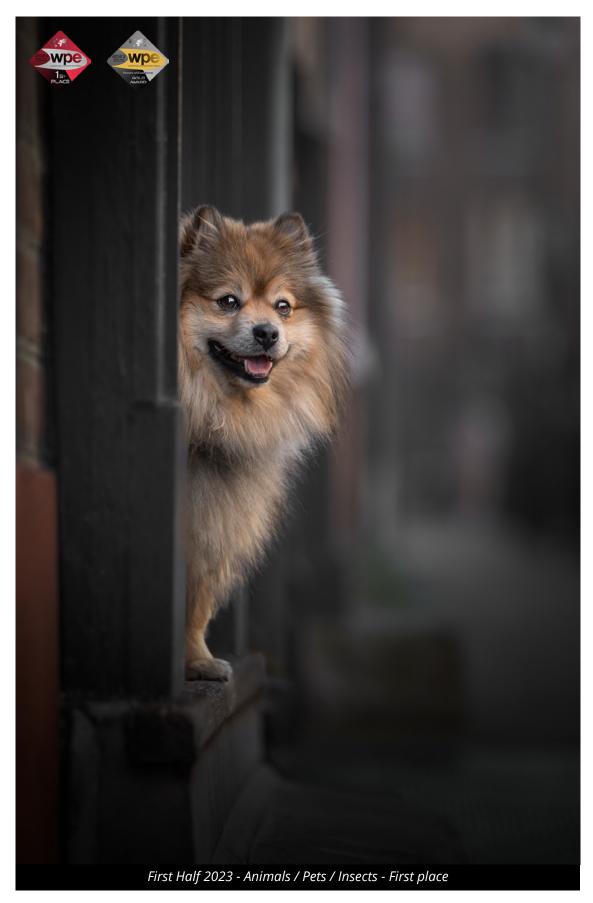
**Amie Barron** 

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4.5







Sam Barton

**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4.5



I grew up surrounded by photography, my mum was a model and my father was Terence Donovan's producer. Our house was filled with photography books and prints, it was all I knew. I left school to pursue a career in the same profession, starting in the darkroom and then working as an assistant to a number of Terry's assistants before going solo. For seven years I worked in London and around the world with a focus on advertising and then fashion and editorial. I have had the great fortune to meet some amazing people, those with fame in front of and behind the camera. I learnt my craft from some of the best people in the industry, including Mario Testino and have used those skills ever since.

I live at home in Wiltshire, UK with my wife Cleia and our two kids Phoebe and Luke. We have converted an outbuilding into a studio and I continue to enjoy taking photographs of people, portraits and fashion being my favoured styles. I enjoy traveling and have been lucky enough to visit some extraordinary places along with some very creative people and models who complete my need to keep that creative muscle exercised.



Second Half 2023 - Fine Art Nude - First place



## Andrei Efimov

**Member of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4.5



**Russian Federation** 

Andrei Artis (Efimov) A photographer from Russia. International Award-Winning Architecture Photographer. Member of the Union of Photo Artists of Russia. Member of the Association of Photographers Eurasia.

Andrey Artis offers a look at architecture through a monochrome filter. This approach allows us to eliminate color accents and focus primarily on the silhouette, shape and plasticity of building facades. Black and white "architectural portraits" show that light and shadow are the means by which the master reveals the richness and diversity of architecture as a form of reality and art.





# Yevhen Kostiuk

#### **Expert of WPE**



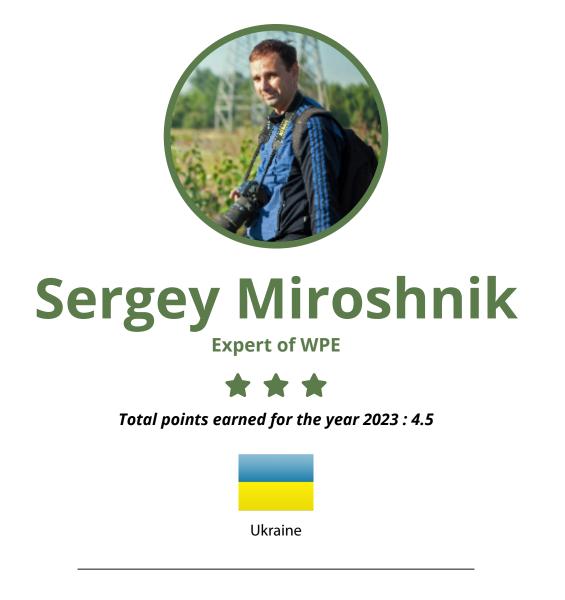
#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4.5



Ukraine



Annual Final 2023 - Aerial / Drone - Second place



Since childhood, he loved to draw and dreamed of becoming an artist. At school, he went to an art studio and graduated from art school.

He picked up a camera at school. In 2010, he switched to digital technology. Since then, I have not parted with the camera.

The main genre in photography for me is macro. I want to say that this is a difficult genre. First of all, in order to get good macro photos, a photographer needs hard work and patience, without which there will be no result in macro photography, as well as dedication and love for this business. I love taking pictures of landscapes, travelling around the territory of our country, and I especially like to photograph the Carpathians.





## Martin Morávek

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



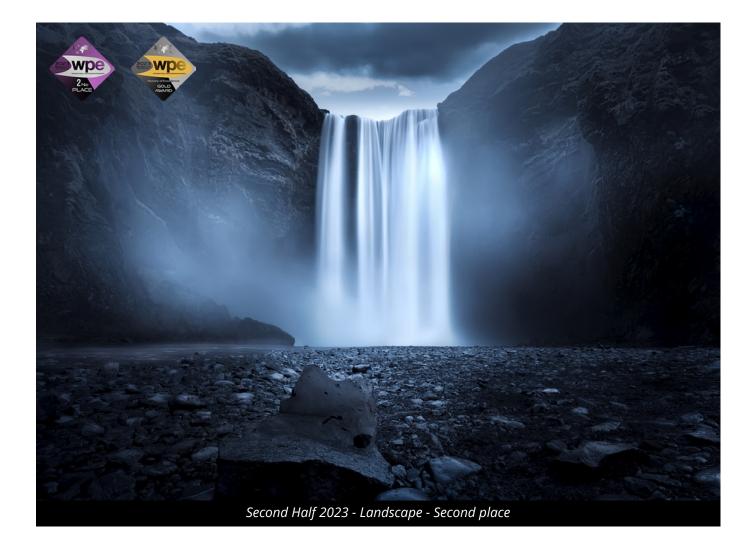
#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4.5



Hi,

my name is Martin Morávek and I come from Jablonec nad Nisou. I got into photography completely by accident sometime in 2019, when I occasionally took a trip with a borrowed camera and the desire to capture something interesting. I took photos of almost everything and I gradually discovered that each genre has its own specifics and know-how – street photography, architecture, sports, culture, landscape, but after the initial exploration I started to enjoy landscape photography the most. But it doesn't end there for me :-)

Even though I mainly photograph for pleasure, from the beginning I have been driven by the desire and need to have the best possible photo and to move. In short, I am no longer the biggest fan (as it was at the very beginning), but on the contrary, the biggest critic. Maybe that's why I enjoy learning from more experienced and successful photographers, because they push me further both in theory and in photography itself, in photo processing and not to mention new and interesting places.





# Mark Kineth Casindac

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Philippines

Artist and Macro photographer.



Second Half 2023 - Macro - Second place









#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



**Russian Federation** 

Travel photographer. FSS, IAAP gold ?





Lee Each

### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Taiwan





# **Daichi Inoue**

### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Japan





# **Denise Irimies**

### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Canada





Jean-Paul MAITRE, born in 1959 in Lyon (FRANCE). He has been practicing photography for over 40 years. With a scientific background, passionate about technology, but without neglecting aesthetics, his creativity allows him to constantly explore new horizons. Pupil of the photographer Jean Milon with whom he has developed his pictorial sensitivity, he thus pursued a demanding artistic approach.



First Half 2023 - Flowers - Second place



### **Mohammad Metri**

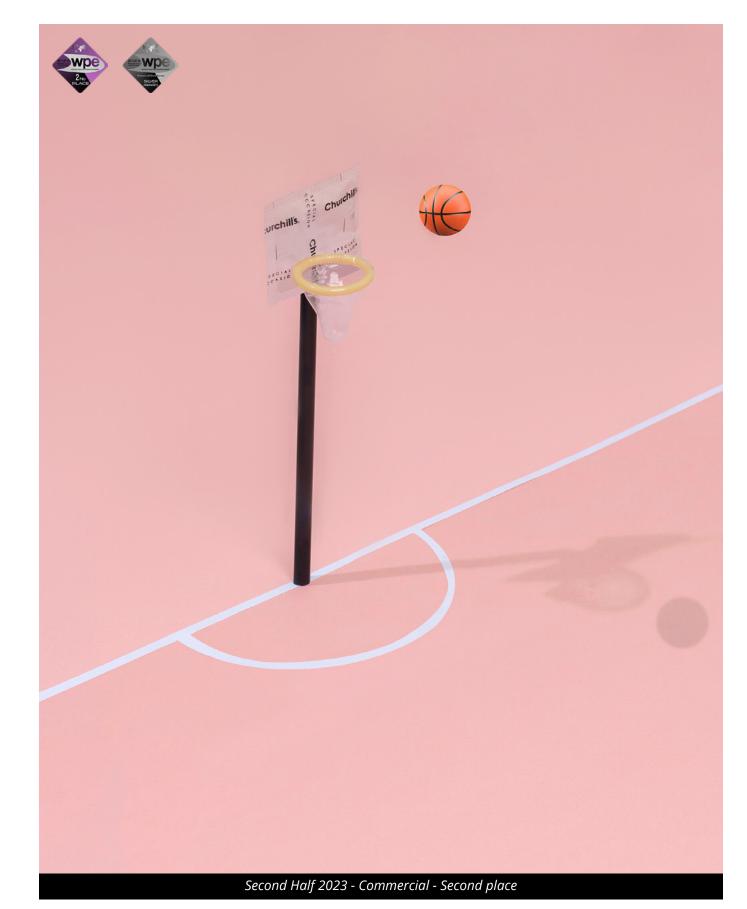
**Distinguished of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Photographer With over 7 years of experience in the commercial, catalog and advertisement. Has expert lighting skills plus unmatched Photoshop and Adobe Lightroom experience with a commitment to delivering promised results and remaining true to a unique artistic vision. Blends academic training with excellent customer service skills to create a professional and accurate job environment. An able, enthusiastic, skilled, and reliable photographer, seeking a position that reflects my experience, skills, and personal attributes including dedication, meeting goals, creativity, and the ability to follow through.







### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



**Russian Federation** 



First Half 2023 - Portrait Creative - Second place



First Half 2023 - Children - Third place



## Ramadan Ramadan Oglou

Expert of WPE



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Greece







#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



Hi, my name is Dawid Ruszczyński, and I'm a professional photographer since more than 6 years. In 2017 I decided to make my passion the work of my life.

I'm a bit crazy, creativ, always happy and the most important thing, I love to create beautiful photos and capture your most intimate moments – like: tears in your eyes, your yes-words, your smile, every kiss, hugs and special moments and all the small things of your wedding day.

A wedding is one of the most memorable and emotional days in a couple's life.

I love poeple, and my job:) and I accept you, for who you are:)

My photography is a special journey through: light, colors, shapes, emotions, and passions:)

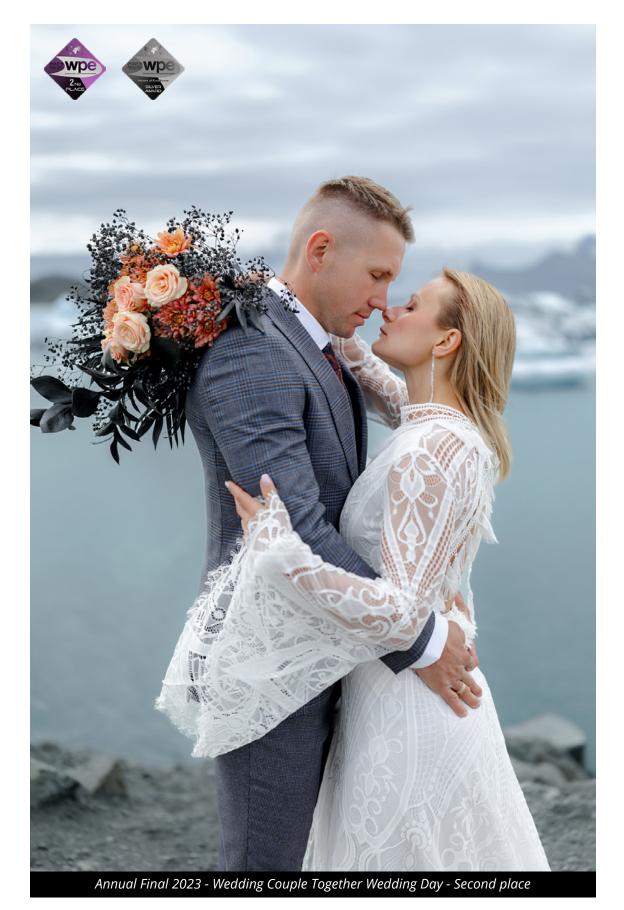
My motto is: "Love that what you do - and you will be successful"

I am sure that you will be satisfied with our cooperation!

I'm based in Poznań, Poland but I can work everywhere in the world.

Have a good day!

Dawid





# Ali Sabih Kadhim

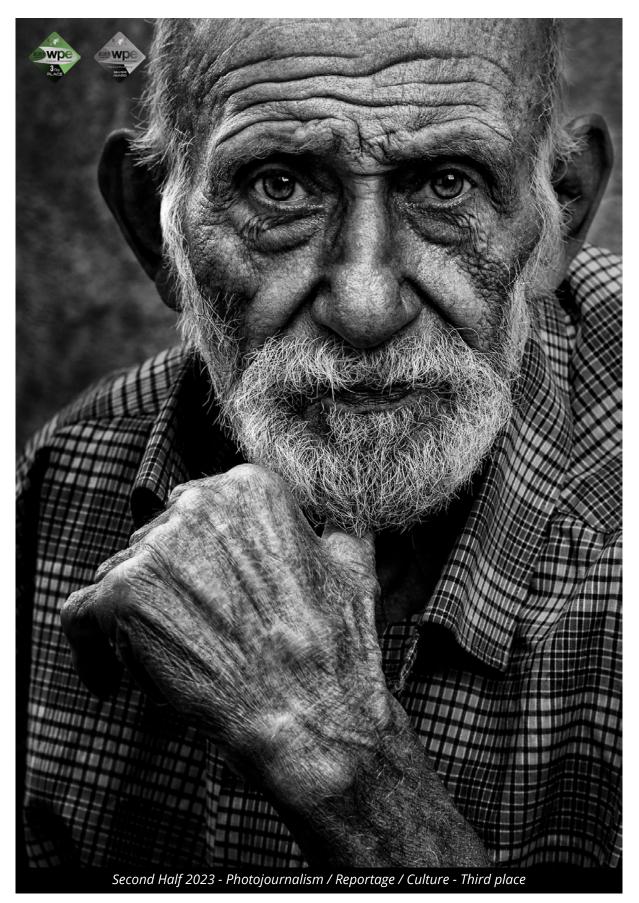
### **Expert of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 4



i am fotography from iraq





**Enrico Curti** 

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3.5



My name is Enrico and I was born in Bologna, Italy.

I became a photo enthusiast when my passion for travels started to grow of importance in my life. That happened at the end of the high school in 2007 and my first trip over the sea became reality: 2 weeks vacation visiting the most famous attractions of the U.S.A. east coast.

From that moment I understood that travels would have been a passion and a need in my life, consequently I decided soon after to buy myself a camera to have those moments and experiences saved forever.This "new thing" never became more than pure travel memories until 2018, when I decided to take an extra step into photography after buying a new camera: slowly I started to do researches, follow professional

photographers, enroll courses to improve my photography.

Today I live in Norway, far from my motherland since 2013, in one of the most wonderful nature of the whole world, trying to capture those amazing landscapes this land offers.



Annual Final 2023 - Landscape - Second place



### **Rosalind Guder**

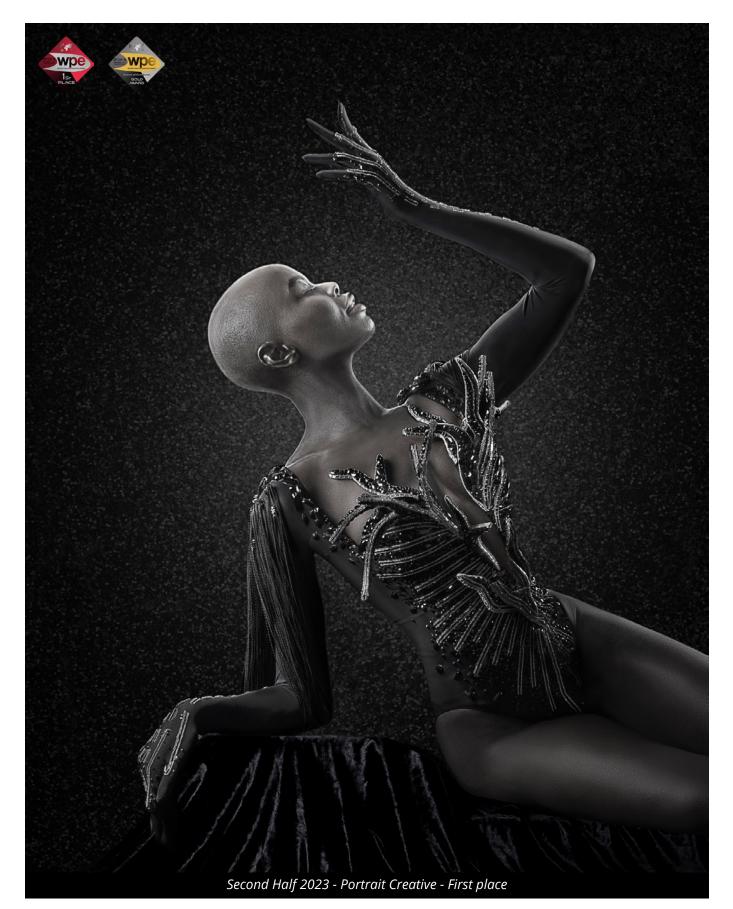
#### **Professionnal of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3.5



Rosalind Guder is an internationally award-winning fashion portrait photographer in Hollywood, California. She is a native of Toronto, Canada, who juggled many roles over the years while searching for a path to her life's passion. She began in the haute couture fashion world, designing for Maggie Reeves in Toronto, where she also happened upon (and then promptly forgot) the bespoke portrait photography of Yousuf Karsh. From fashion design, she moved into the corporate world until 1999 when she moved to Los Angeles. In 2013, Rosalind received her first camera and began to pursue photographic training on a part-time basis. In 2019, she began her professional photography career, submitting images to international photographic competitions, and has won many awards. She is currently representing her adopted country as a member of Team USA for World Photographic Cup 2021, which was held in Rome, Italy in April 2021. Early this year, she joined forces with For the Stars, the celebrated Hollywood fashion house with a 35-year pedigree of creating haute couture gowns and costumes for top performing artists, models and celebrities throughout the world. With this new partnership, Rosalind comes full circle, combining high-end fashion with photography, giving her clients access to an archive of avant garde, celebrity wardrobe for their own one-of-a-kind portraits.





Samantha León

#### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3.5



USA

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First Half 2023 - Group / Families - First place



# Wen Liang

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3.5



China

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## **Barmina Anastasiya**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3



**Russian Federation** 

Photography professional and passionate artist, Anastasia is working around the world while living in Russia. Since 2017 she was acknowledged by many national and international photo contests.

> Anastasia mostly works with children photography and female portraits. She also teaching the basics of photography and picture enhancement. Anastasia is also a photo tours organizer for photographers all over the world.



First Half 2023 - Portrait Creative - Third place



Kristi Elias

**Member of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3



Kristi Elias, M.Photog. M.Artist. Cr.Photog., F-ASP

Master Artist, Craftsman, Master photographer & ASP-Fellow & Triple Master of WPPI Kristi Elias has been an artist all of her life. Earning her degree from Brooks Institute of Photography of Santa Barbara in 1998, she's worked as a professional photographer and gallery represented artist for the past 26 years. With an artist's eye and a poetic soul, Kristi merges her artistic energy and creativity into fine art portraiture, creating pieces that show her identifiable mystic and timeless style.

From sketch to sculpture, Kristi's passion for fine art photography has brought her to the forefront of the photography world, and she has been featured on NBC News, in museums, art galleries, billboards, storefront window displays, Magazine covers and ads as well as in numerous industry magazines like Professional Photographer and Rangefinder Magazine.

Kristi has earned numerous awards and international recognition. Including multiple Photographer of the Year Awards, California Photographer of the Year, Canon Par Excellence awards, ASP State Elite and District Awards, PPA Loan Collection images. Selected on Team USA for the World Photographic cup and over 100 WPPI Honors of Excellence Awards.

Kristi owns a luxury based fine art portrait studio and art gallery located on the water in Shoreline Village of Long Beach California. In 2016 she also opened an underwater photography studio in Long Beach California.





## Irina Gost

**Member of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3



Ukraine





## Sai Tun Lin Naing

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3



Hi, my name is Sai Tun Lin Naing, Founder of With You Wedding Photo & Video Studio and I am a professional wedding photographer and With 8 years of experience in the field, I have captured countless beautiful moments and memories for couples on their special day.

Originally from Myanmar, I am passionate about photography and the power it has to preserve memories and emotions. My goal as a photographer is to create timeless images that tell the story of each couple's unique love story.

I pick up my camera to find the beauty in the simplest moments.



Annual Final 2023 - Pre Wedding Bride Alone - Second place



France

Jérémie Maltete, qualified and passionate professional photographer based in Vieillevigne 44 and Montaigu 85 (France),

I capture unique moments through different types of photography: varied portraits, magical weddings, impactful commercial photos, warm family moments and professional real estate presentations.

My artistic approach aims to capture the essence of each moment with particular attention to detail. My portfolio reflects the diversity of my work, ranging from emotional portraits to wedding highlights to successful commercial projects.



Annual Final 2023 - Landscape Al (Artificial Intelligence) - First place





## Lucia Morvay

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3



Slovakia



Annual Final 2023 - Group / Families - Second place



Sergey Savvi Distinguished of WPE



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 3



**Russian Federation** 

Wildlife photographer since 2014. Awardee and finalist of Russian and International nature photo contests. Participant of major photo exhibitions and festivals, such as Golden Turtle, National Geographic, Sienna Awards, Comedy Wildlife, Mkapa Awards, Pristine Russia, Xposure Awards and many others.



First Half 2023 - Photojournalism / Reportage / Culture - Second place



### **Rut Casanellas**

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2.5



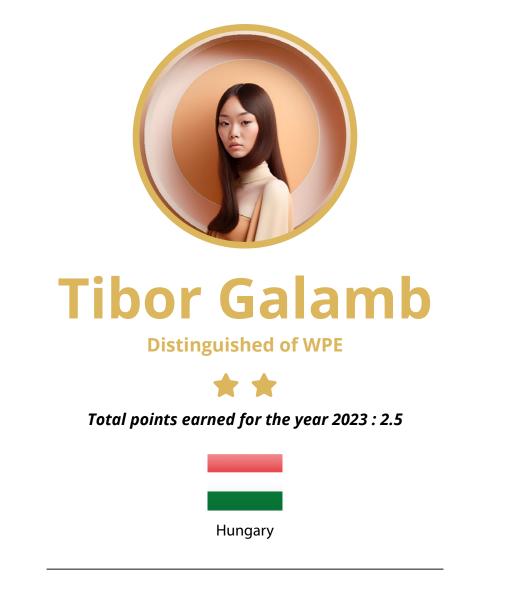
Spain



Annual Final 2023 - Animals / Pets / Insects - First place



Second Half 2023 - Animals / Pets / Insects - Third place



Tibor Galamb is an award winning international photographer, currently based in European Union (mainly United Kingdom, Hungary, Lithuania). He specialises in fashion and creative advertising photography and available for commissioned work in the European Union and worldwide.

His first work consisted mainly of architecture and landscape images. After 3 years of studying civil engineering at Budapest University of Technology, he moved on to photography and completing his bachelor degree in Professional Photography at Abertay University of Dundee in 2013. During his study Tibor started working in different areas of photography to improve his skills and gain experience in working with clients.





**Dmitry Polkanov** 

#### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2.5

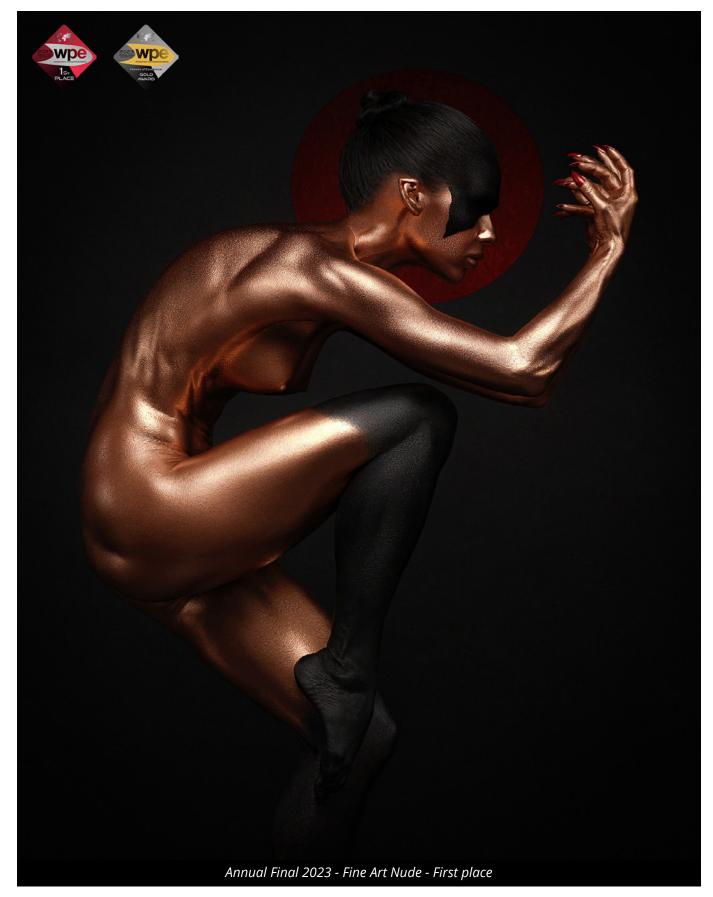


**Russian Federation** 

Shad is a professional photographer and body painting artist who specializes in creating eerie portraits of demons and ghosts.

While working as a doctor, Shad had a passion for photography in various genres and in 2019 decided to fully dedicate himself to art. His work quickly attracted attention and began to regularly win awards in the most significant international photography competitions, as well as taking part in exhibitions around the world.

Each photograph in the "Under the Black Sun" series features a demon that Shad has brought to life using body painting techniques, transforming his models into otherworldly creatures. He achieves that the viewer can feel the image, see the real demons in the photograph, and be imbued with their dark beauty. Professional models, gymnasts, and ballet dancers help Shad create his art.





Musa Akay

#### Distinguished of WPE



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



My photo life started at the age of 5 with an old machine that is ADOXAR Dr. C. Schleussner Frankfurt. After that day I have taken street photos for years

Although My education skills were computer programming and system engineering I always wanted to be a photographer to feel freedom inside.Thanks to my friend named Martin I met in Germany who introduced me photography art.When I came back to my country, I looked into from various street photos magazines and pages.

Then I started to take photographs of bride and groom, I have continued to focus that actively for 4 years. I'm Musa AKAY and I always think each couple's posture, smile, look and energy are different.





### Vladimir Ashkinazi-Isachenko

**Member of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



My name is Vladimir, I come from Belarus, the city of Mogilev.

Photography has become more than a hobby for me - it is a way of life that my family supports. I work in the role of portrait, nude, art. My motto can be described in the words of Imogen Cunningham "Which of my photographs is your favorite? The one I'm going to take off tomorrow."











Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Japan





My secret technique? A hint of imagination, a generous dose of fun, and lorry loads of love.

I'm a storyteller. I care about all of the couples I work with and will always find that little something that transforms each photo into a timeless moment.

I love life and I love weddings. I have been a photographer for more than 20 years. I travel throughout France and abroad, specializing in artistic, documentary wedding photography. My goal is to offer you unique images of those golden moments that you will treasure forever. Through my sensitive and artistic photography, it is your story that I am telling. I am a caring & easy-going person! What interests me, it's that we become close enough so that I can see you such as you are in 'truth' in order to have your best images.

I am your "little mouse" – capturing all these touching or spontaneous moments and turning them into precious memories!

Life is about moments, create them and I will grab the essential into unforgettable and timeless images because life and love are precious.

I'm your exclusive WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHER IN GASCONY & I travel all over the world for you.



First Half 2023 - Wedding Photojournalism - Second place



## Inna Bocharnikova

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



**Russian Federation** 





### **Bartosz Chrzanowski**

**Distinguished of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



I started my adventure with photography from working in small editorial offices. The first publications appeared over 10 years ago. With time, I began to receive inquiries about the possibility of photographing weddings. It was something new for me, that's why I was eager to get interested in this field of photography. Now it's been 8 years since I've been photographing weddings. It is a great pleasure and honor for me that clients are still deciding on my services. Aside from wedding photography, I also work on my small documentary photography projects. In my career, I had three exhibitions of street photography.



Annual Final 2023 - Wedding Details - Second place





#### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Brazil





First Half 2023 - Bride Alone Wedding Day - Second place

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### Ksenia Dolzhenko

#### **Member of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Ukraine

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### **Przemek Drabek**

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Poland



First Half 2023 - Wedding Details - First place



Second Half 2023 - Bridal Party (Family and Friends) - Third place





Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



**Russian Federation** 

My name is Ekaterina Sigat. I am a photographer from Yekaterinburg. I first picked up a camera at the end of 2017. I got it for my birthday. I'm a self-taught photographer. I self-studied the theory of photography, photoshop and ligtroom. At first, I photographed everything. I was looking for my own style and genre of shooting. Over time, I realized that I like to come up with unusual staged shooting. I take pictures in the genres of fictional, fabulous photos and portrait of a woman. Since 2019, my photos have been published in magazines.





### **Hamed Fathi**

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Sweden

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Second Half 2023 - Wedding Photojournalism - Second place







Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Norway





**Antony Huang** 

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



USA

Hello everyone! My name is Antony, I come from China, and I live in Las Vegas, USA. He is a professional wedding photographer with 8 years of experience in wedding photography. Thank you!



First Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Couple Together - First place



## **Dionisis Karavidas**

**Master of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Born in Katerini (GREECE) in 1982, he is married with 2 children. He is a professional photographer in Greece since 2010, and an expert in wedding and portrait photography.



First Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Couple Together - Second place



# Darya Komarova

#### **Member of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



**Russian Federation** 





## Linda Lindseth-Haugen

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Norwegian newborn, baby and maternity photographer. Winner of the newborn/baby category in the Norwegian Photography awards 2022.





### **David Movsesyan**

#### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



He was born in Armenia in 1992. He discovered photography at the age of 9 thanks to a good photographer who lived in his hometown; from that day he couldn't imagine his life without photography. Despite the difficulties and the fact that his family wanted him to be also a lawyer he decided to work professionally as a photographer.

He has been awarded top prizes in international contests such as PreWedding Stories (PWS Thailand), Photo Wedding Stories Wedding Art Photography (WAP) and 35 photos

Phottix Greek Ambassador





**Junior Oliveira** 

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



We believe that photography is the visible memory of the moments we live. It's what's left when only memories remain.

Hi! I'm Junior Oliveira and I love being a storyteller throught the simple but amazing images.





# Nastasya Parshina

#### Distinguished of WPE



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



**Russian Federation** 

portrait photographer from Moscow

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**Tomas Paule** 

**Distinguished of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



My name is Tomáš Paule, I come from Slovakia.

I have been actively involved in photography since 2008, when I received my first digital SLR camera. Since then, I've changed a lot of technique to help me move forward. Every single photo shoot gives me the opportunity and space to do my best.

I focus mainly on photographing weddings, nudes, boudoirs and also personal projects. I did not study photography. I am self-taught.





# Madina Safaryan

#### **Distinguished of WPE**

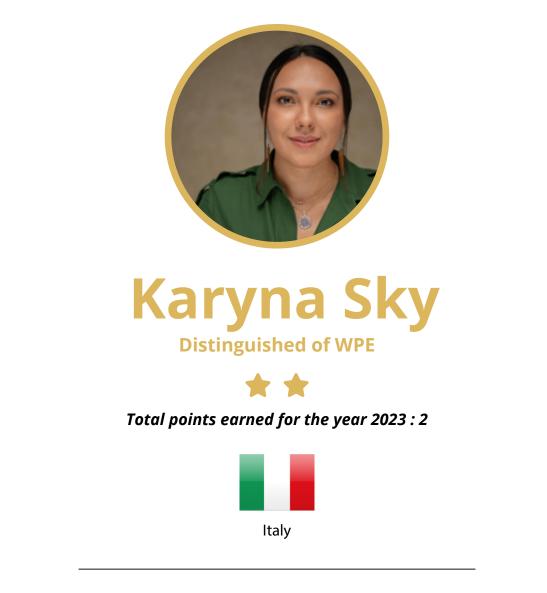


#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



**Russian Federation** 





Karyna, moved to Italy as a child, studied as a graphic designer at the Istituto di Moda e Design - Marangoni in Milan. Before becoming a baby photographer, she worked in visual design in the fashion industry.





## Kate Surzhok

### **Member of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Germany









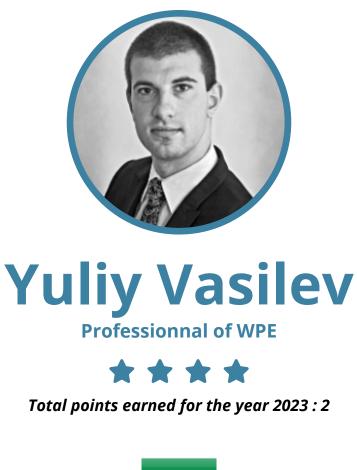
Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Viet Nam

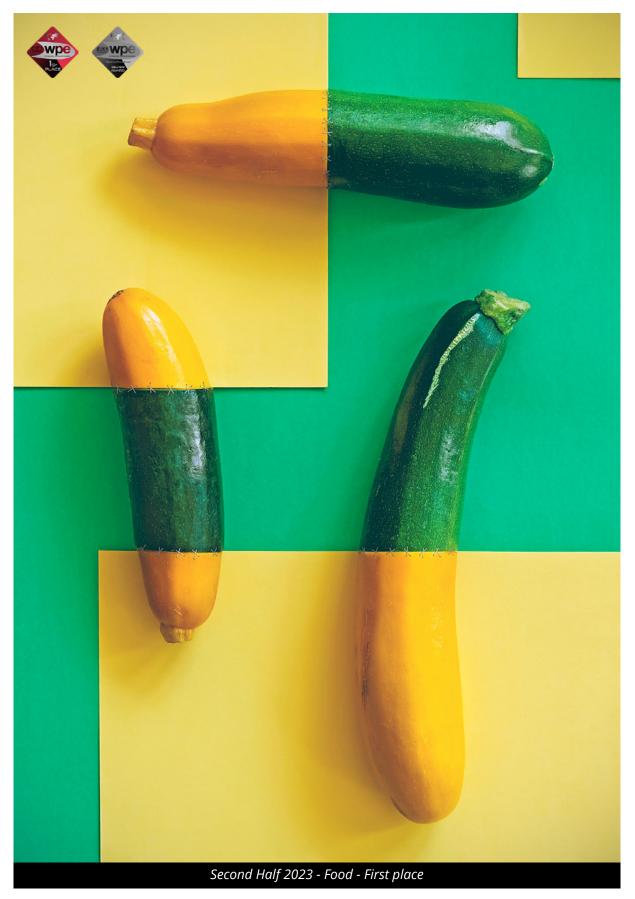


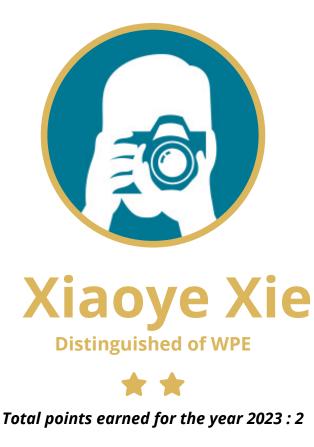
Annual Final 2023 - Wedding Couple Together Wedding Day - Third place





Yuliy is an urban and culinary photographer, born in 1985 in Bulgaria.







China





## Nick Yamashita

### **Professionnal of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 2



Japan





My name is Rami Yazagi. I was born in Syria and now I live in America. i had an My story with photography began in April 2014 when I left my country to stay in Lebanon for 4 months. These four months were a turning point in my life. I purchased my first camera ever .

I love nature photography , architecture photography , portrait photography, but product photography and black and white photography is my favorite .

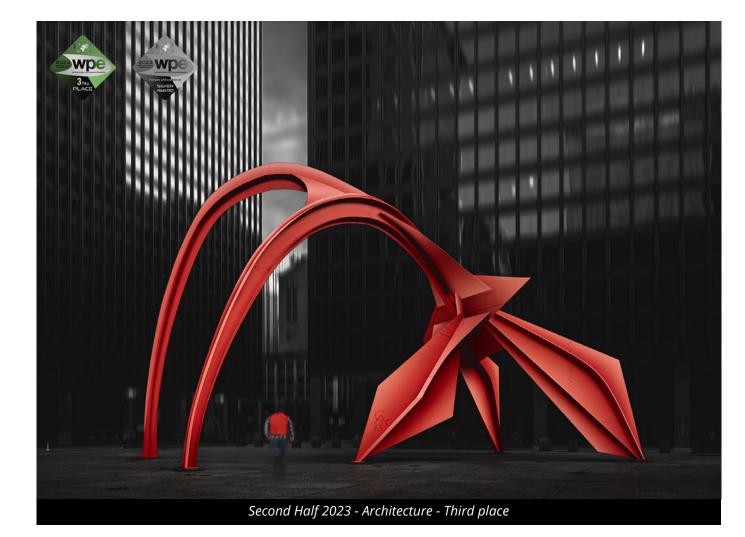
my photography achievement between 2017 and the first half of 2019

rank as a # 4th in 2019 One Eyeland top 10 black and white photographer contest

Mifa awards- 2018 (gold medal in Product photography)

Ipa awards- 2018 ( two honorable mentions in black and white photography )

Nd awards\_2018 (two honorable mentions in black)





## Pedro Luis Ajuriaguerra Saiz

**Master of WPE** 



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Pedro Luis Saiz Ajuriaguerra (Bilbao, Bizkaia, Spain, 1974). self-taught photographer, began his career back in 2011 discovering a passion that was unknown, the beginning do little more than encourage their concerns are increasing making try almost all disciplines of photography, highlighting mainly in sports photography, and architectural photography. It has the distinctions MCEF / Plt (Platinum Master of the Spanish Confederation of Photography) JBCEF (Bronze Judge of the Spanish Confederation of Photography) and EFIAP / Plt (Platinum Excellence of the International Federation of Photographic Art).

He is currently collaborating with magazines such as BAO Bilbao Magazine, Bilbao Tourism, Bilbao Bizkaia Tour Magazine and for different sports promoters such as MGZ Promotions, Euskobox etc. Most relevant International Awards:

Overall Winner FEP Awards 2022 – FEP Professional Photographer of the Year 2022 - 1st Place Nature,1st Place Sports

Winner Professional Nature -MACRO IPA 2022 International Photography Awards™ L.os Ángeles-USA Overall Winner in the ONE EYELAND Fine Art 2022

The Societies' 2nd Place Overall Photographer of the Year 2021 -London-UK

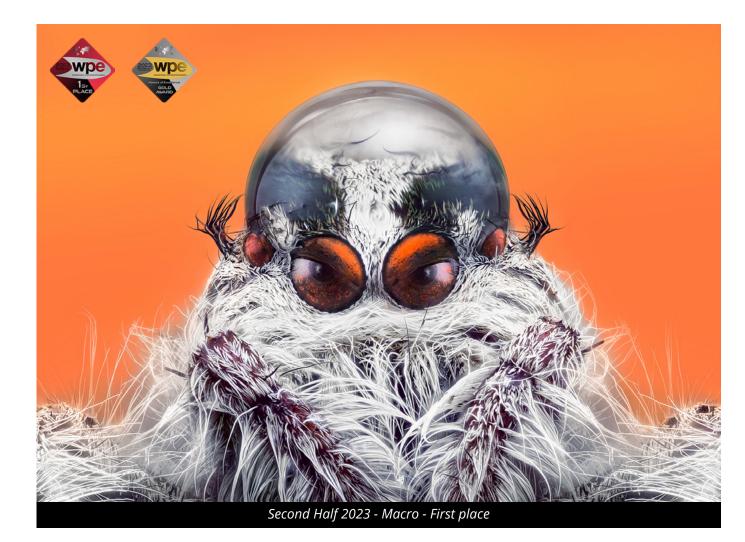
Winner Sport Photographer of the Year 2021

Winner Macro and Close Up Photographer of the Year 2021

1st place Photo contest «Le Mouvement» -France 2020 Nikon France

1st place Overall Winner Xposure International Photography Contest 2019 UAE

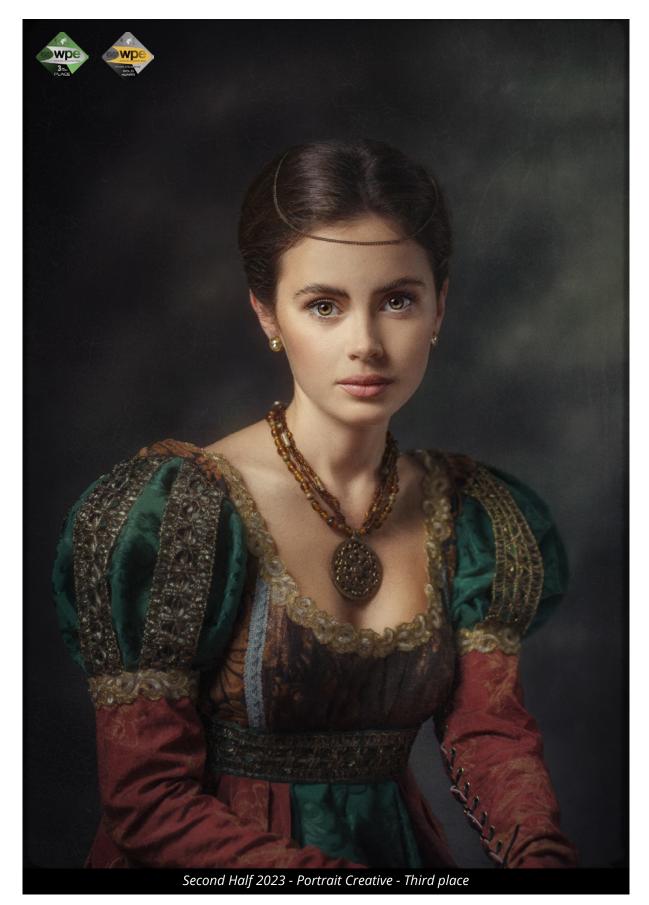
1st place in the Sports category Pangea Gold Trophy, Siena Awards 2018 ITALY





My name is Dmitry Baev and I'm from Odessa, Ukraine. I got started in photography in 2013. My passion for Dutch painting and Impressionism always pushes me to use the principles of achieving chiaroscuro lighting that the artists used. Light tones, colors and shades allow to achieve smoother transition from light to shadow in a photo. As for me, photography is a kind of feeling not a technique. The essence is the emotional substance rather than color, composition or form. Technical means and elements may only enhance the emotional response.

I like creating fine-art photography via use of my own "painterly effect" technique. My photos come into their own when printed out on paper or canvas in size larger than 50 cm.





## **Paul Adrian Chis**

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Romania





**Bevis Chu** 

### **Expert of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



China

University associate professor Sony signed photographer 2015 Signature Weddings world Top 30 wedding photographer 2021 WPE single category champion and gold medal





I'm Ümit, also known as umixx, and in 2010, I turned my hobby into my profession.

Over the past years, I've had the privilege of capturing and witnessing many beautiful weddings across Germany, Italy, Croatia, Turkey, and the Netherlands as a photographer.

I was nominated for two consecutive years in the Bridal category by Braut & Media GmbH, received three awards from Wedisson.com in 2016, and earned 2 awards from Masters of Wedding Photography. I'm extremely proud of these awards and nominations as they reflect the fruits of my passion for photography.

As a wedding photographer, I often find myself at unfamiliar celebrations among unfamiliar characters, observing and sensing moments. With individual snapshots, I aim to tell the story of my bridal couples. Years after their wedding, I want them to relive their special day and experience the same emotions. I focus on a creatively journalistic visual language with countless moments.

The photography experience should be pleasant and enjoyable. Both the bride and groom, as well as the guests, should have positive and fond memories of their photographer. After all, every photo is associated with the feeling one had during the shot. During the photo sessions, I provide guidance and direct the bridal couples to capture perfect wedding photos that are not only beautiful but also authentic.









### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Award-Winning Photo Artist based in Vasoldsberg/Graz I Austria Photographer of the Year 2020 & 2021





HI! Everyone I am Lynn Latt from nationally Myanmar . I am 38 year old



Second Half 2023 - Landscape - Third place



### Fu Yung Tony Li Member of WPE



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Hong Kong



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## **Marc Marco Ripoll**

### **Distinguished of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Spain





I am Ilaria Miani, an amateur photographer.

I don't remember the first time I held a camera in my hands, but I most definitely remember the two key moments when I experienced the magic of photography. The first time was in my brother's dark room, and I was really just a child, and then later, as a teenager, when my father took me to a National Geographic photo exhibition in Rome. After that, I had no choice, photography has definitely become my world. From that moment on I've had the opportunity to live very different experiences, and over the years I've tested myself, trying to find my personal feeling, my own sense of style in my photography.

Picture by picture one by one I have acquired an awareness of how an image can be important because it has the power to provide documentary evidence of our lives, an instrument to inspect our common humanity. Much more powerful because each frame is a human being squared: in each image there is not just what I see, but how I see it with all my emotions, background, feeling, happiness, sadness, culture, knowledge, experiences, lack of experiences. This is why photography is unique. And It is with this belief that I took photos.

In recent years, I have focused myself in documenting places where there are ethnic groups which still maintain their traditional habits, but which are very much in danger of being lost, because of the increasing globalization. With my photos I hope to give those people a voice.





## **Mateus Morgan**

**Member of WPE** 



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Design studio focused on creating 3D product visualization and videos. With extensive experience in the market, having served worldwide clients such as: Adidas | Fila | New Balance | Asics | Coca-cola | Balenciaga | Vale | Vivo | Havaianas | Amanco | Itaú | Polette | Q4.





# Joaquín Pastor Genzor

**Member of WPE** 



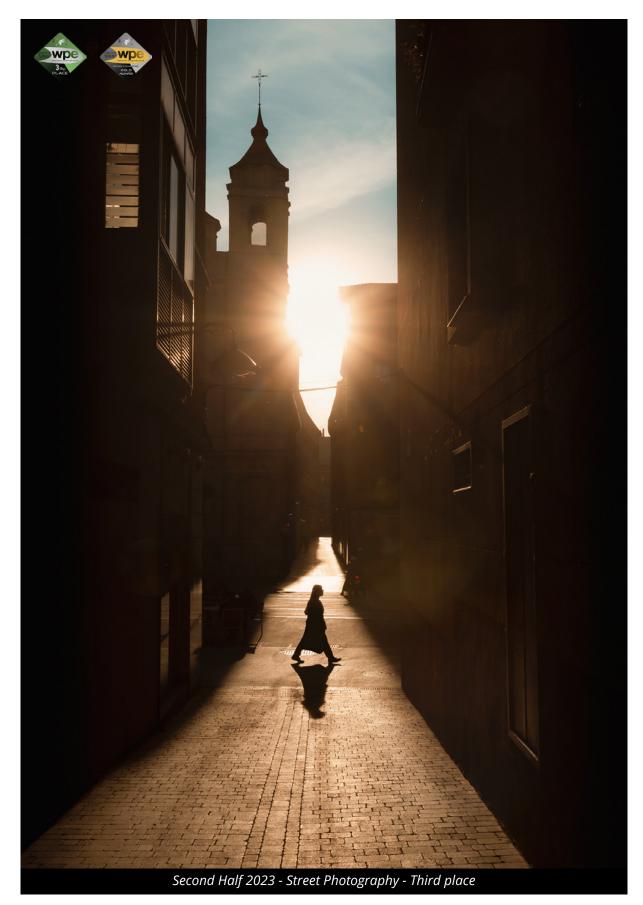
### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



Spain

Joakkin is a talented street photographer who creates unique compositions using the people of the street and the natural light.

He is the founder of sublime street, a hub that shares the best street photographs from around the world. It was created to inspire others and give visibility to new talents.





### **Andrew Vasiliev**

### **Distinguished of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1.5



**Russian Federation** 



Annual Final 2023 - Portrait Creative - Second place



Armin Abdehou

**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Armin Abdehou is a photojournalist whose work is informed by an artistic vision of advancing social justice and illuminating salient global issues. Published works featured on BBC, BBC Earth, BBC News, and National Geographic Italy. Recipient of awards in over 50 international photography competitions.



Annual Final 2023 - Portrait Al (Artificial Intelligence) - First place



### **Alexandru Lucian Achitei**

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Full-time portrait photographer with a photo studio in London.







Damaso Avila

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



My name is Dámaso Ávila and I am a photographer residing in the Canary Islands (Spain). He mainly dedicated me to taking architectural photography, portraits and fine art. I have obtained more than forty awards in international photography contests.



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"Capturing real, intimate moments between people and telling the story that unfolds in front of me. A smile and a tear, grandpa beaming blissfully in the background, daddy proud and mommy emotional, the crazy mouths of your little slobs, the carefully chosen decorations and the silent glances between you and your loved ones. Telling your story in my way with spontaneous images is my style..."





Luca Cameli

**Member of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



- Selezionato dalla "Triennale Della Fotografia Italiana", Venezia 2017. - Selezionato dalla "Biennale di Milano 2019" presentata da Vittorio Sgarbi. - Premiato da "Spoleto Arte": per il "Premio Canaletto" contest "La Biennale di Venezia d'Arte" 2019, per il "PREMIO INTERANZIONALE AMBASCIATORE D'ARTE 2019", Istanbul - Shanghai - Pechino - Tokyo, per il "Premio Jacopo da Ponte" 2020. - Selezionato per il "Premio LYNX 2019", Trieste - Torino - Ajdovscina. - Selezionato dalla mostra "Venice International Art Fair 2020" indetta da ITSLIQUID Group & Venice Events. - Premiato "Premio alla carriera Artistica" MACO MUSEUM - Montastero Sant'Erasmo, Veroli (Fr). - Premiato "MonoVisions Awards 2021" (Photojournalism Category). - Selezionato dal festival di arte contemporanea "Festival DeSidera 2021" - Trieste. - Selezionato dalla mostra fotografica internazionale collettiva "Le Vie Delle Foto", Trieste. - Wedding Awards di Matrimonio.com. Una Grande passione, la fotografia, la consapevolezza di amare l'arte dell'istantanea. Cresciuto con gli scatti per reportage, prediligo l'espressivita' spontanea consapevole che un ritratto autentico, possa essere realizzato cogliendo l'essenza dell'attimo. Il mio motto è: « Una foto è come un diamante... È per sempre! »



Second Half 2023 - Photojournalism / Reportage / Culture - Second place



Hi, I'm John!

I'm a father, husband, photographer, and printmaker. I have the honor to be the head coach for the Swedish National Team in Photography.

I have a Canson certified print studio in Stockholm, Sweden, which ships worldwide to concerning photographers and their clients.

Please see www.hellstrom.com for my photography and www.hellstromstudio.com for a fine-art printing service.

Welcome, John





### **Edward Ho Wee Jin**

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Malaysia

Born and raised in Malaysia, Edward started his photography journey when he was 20 years of age as a landscape enthusiast. He ventured into wedding photography in 2019, and is now a professional photographer based in Paris, France.

He is a huge fan of historical and post-impressionism paintings. He gets inspiration from artworks of different era, and try to recreate them through his lens.

He believes one impactful photo should show different emotion despite being monochrome -- emotions portray colours.



Second Half 2023 - Groom Alone Wedding Day - First place



**Denis Ivanov** 

**Member of WPE** 



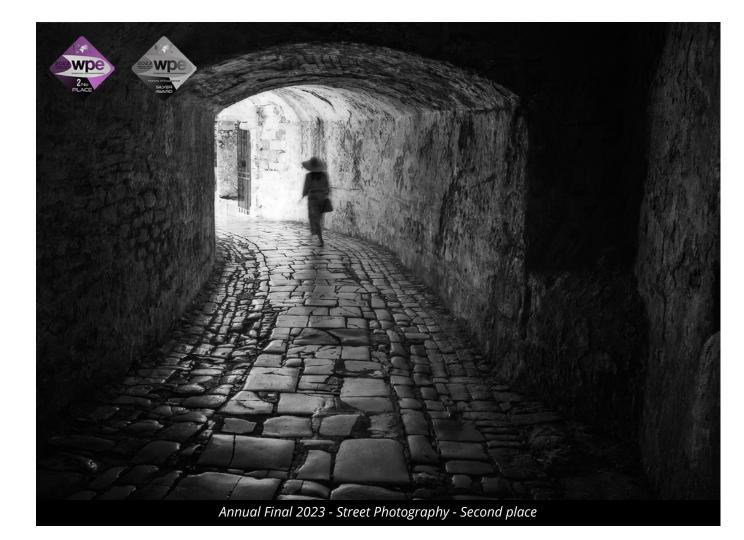
Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



**Russian Federation** 

a photographer from Moscow, a member of the Eurasia Photographers Association and Novator club

The joy of leisurely contemplation of the world, being in a state of absolute harmony for the game of searching for new forms, lines, emotions, soul, love, drama, something unusual sometimes even in the simplest, the search for the very essence - this is about how I imagine my creativity.







Second Half 2023 - Wedding Couple Together Wedding Day - Second place



# Emilija Juškovė



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Lithuania



Annual Final 2023 - Portrait Al (Artificial Intelligence) - Second place







Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



USA





### Alena Kisel

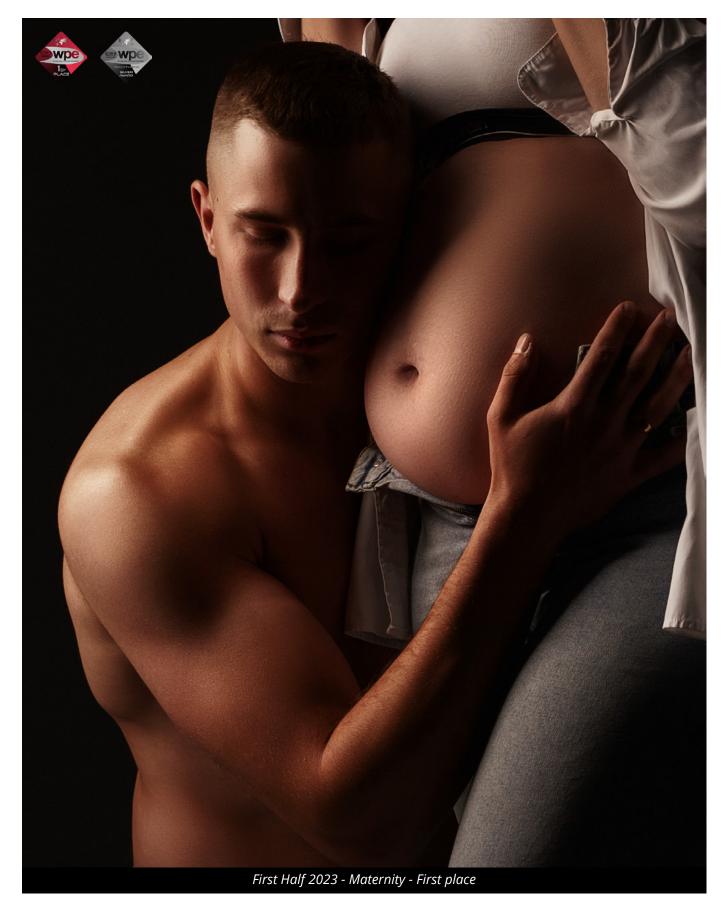
### **Expert of WPE**



### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Belarus





Internationally Awarded Professional Photographer (MQEP), Finland. Available worldwide. DM for projects.





### Kalisa Marcenco

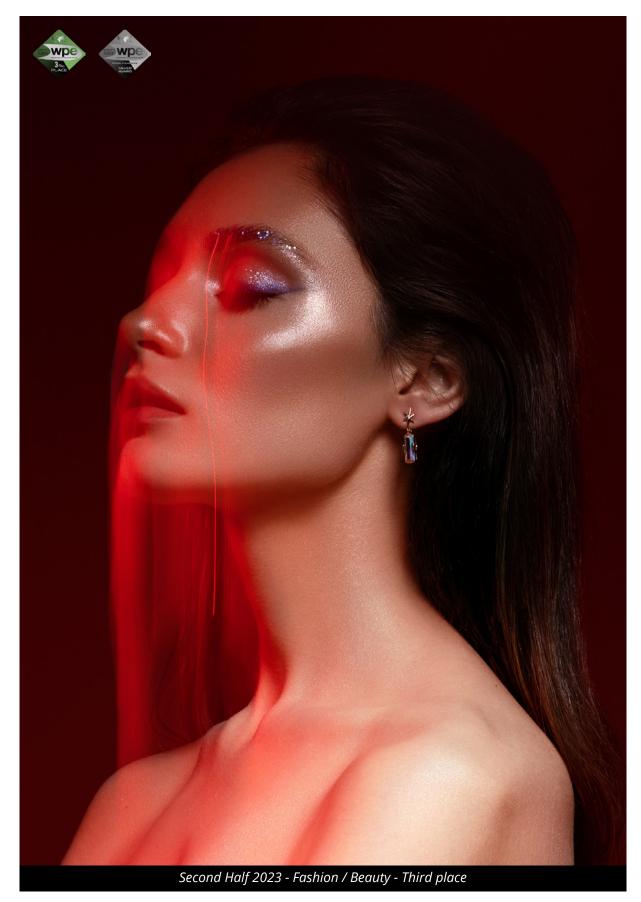
#### **Member of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Moldova





### Anna Melnikova

#### **Member of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



**Russian Federation** 



First Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Bride Alone - Second place



### Yuliia Miroshnyk

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Hello! I am a photographer from Ukraine - Yuliia Miroshnyk. Traveling, interesting people and outdoor activities inspire me. I really love to photograph happy people in any part of the world, to create lively and light photos filled with sincere emotions. Behind my belt I have over 300 weddings, and almost 800 different photo shoots (and counting). View my galleries get a taste of what i create and see for yourself just how diverse my clients' event styles and cultures are. If you are close to my style of photography, I will be happy to get to know you better and discuss all the details of photography.





## **Gaspare Morea**

### **Member of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Italy





## Malin Nvorlen

### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Sweden

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Second Half 2023 - Pre Wedding Bride Alone - Second place



Second Half 2023 - Groom Alone Wedding Day - Second place



### **Ruslan Pastushak**

#### **Expert of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



USA

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# **Eduardo Prates**

#### **Member of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1

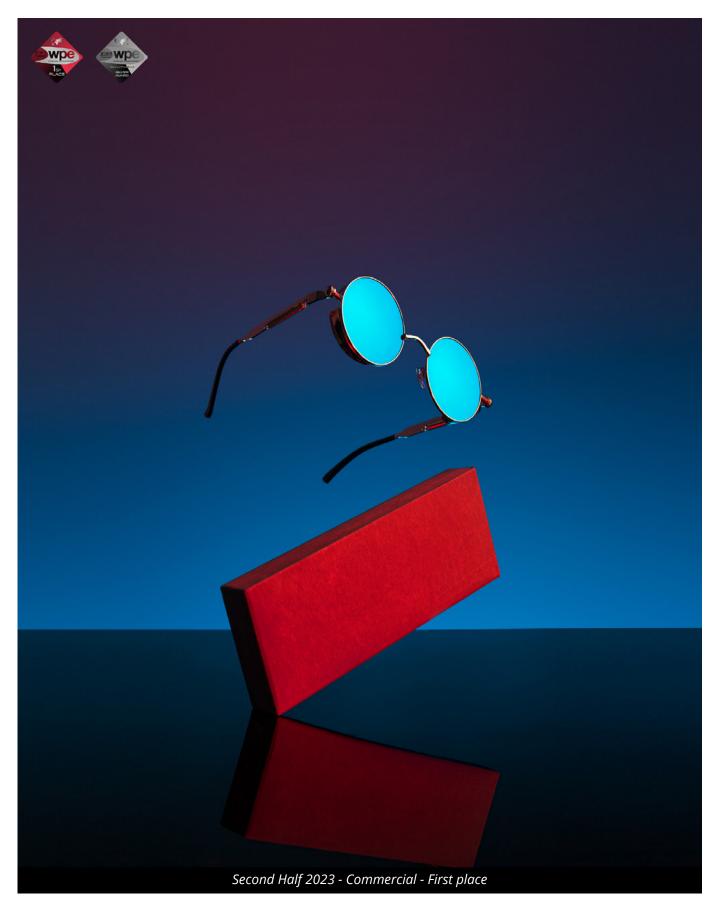


Brazil





Photographer living in Mexico City, I started this journey since 2021, looking to improving my technique and learning from the top photographers.





# Mr & Mrs Rich

#### **Member of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



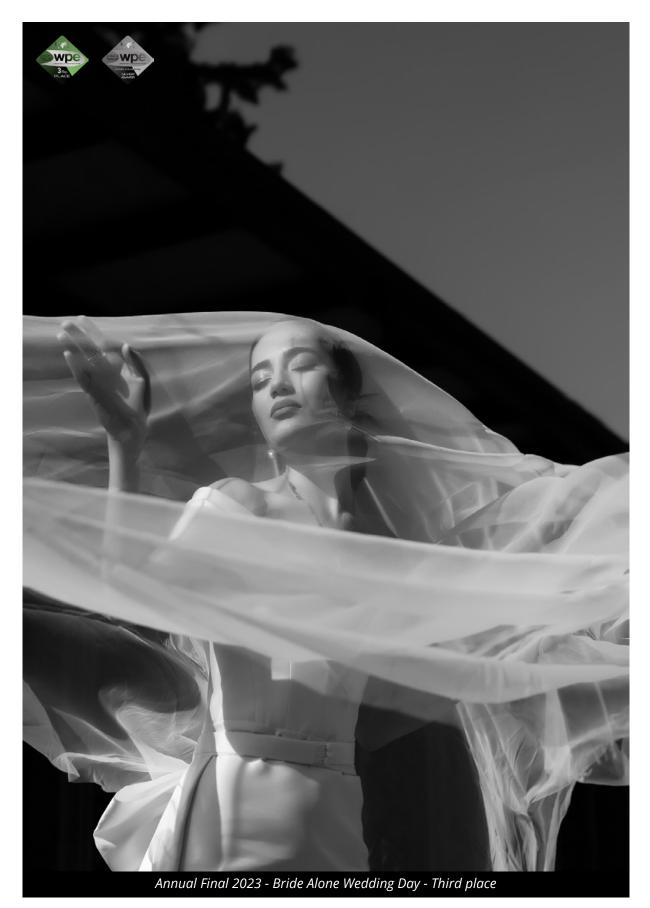
USA



Second Half 2023 - Bride Alone Wedding Day - First place



I am Javid Salehbeyli, 28 years old. Since 2011, I have been deeply interested in various categories of photography. I am very sensitive in my work. I have worked with many large companies. I prefer light and sincerity in my handicrafts. For me, a good camera is not a good way to take a photo, it is a moment that the photographer and the other party feel and light.





# Luis Santos

**Member of WPE** 



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Portugal









Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Hong Kong





**Rick Souders** 

**Member of WPE** 

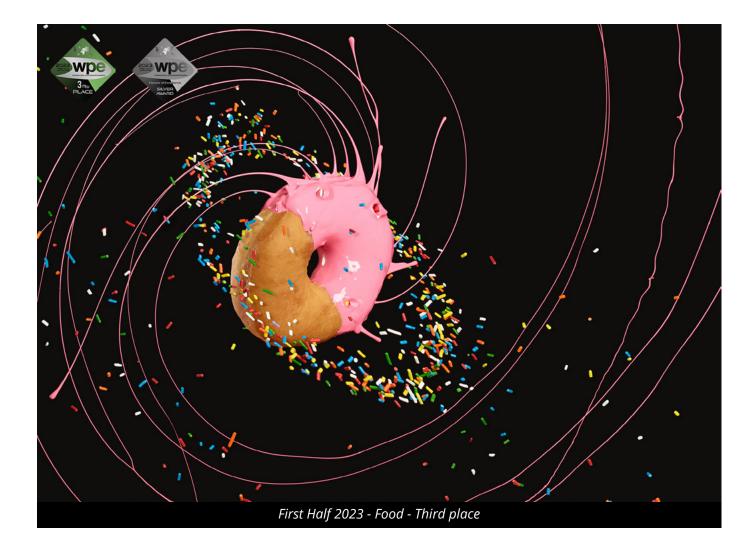


Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Rick Souders, owner of Souders Studios, is very well respected worldwide for helping food and beverage clients elevate their brands. Rick is an honors graduate of the Art Center College of Design and has been a part of many award-winning ads, campaigns and cookbooks.

Rick is truly known an artist in the realm of food photography. He is a master with lighting, color, texture and composition. There is an art to making food and drinks have taste appeal and still look real and approachable. In the Denver, Colorado area, Rick is known as "the Mile High Food and Beverage Guy."





# **Daniel Soós**

**Member of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Hungary





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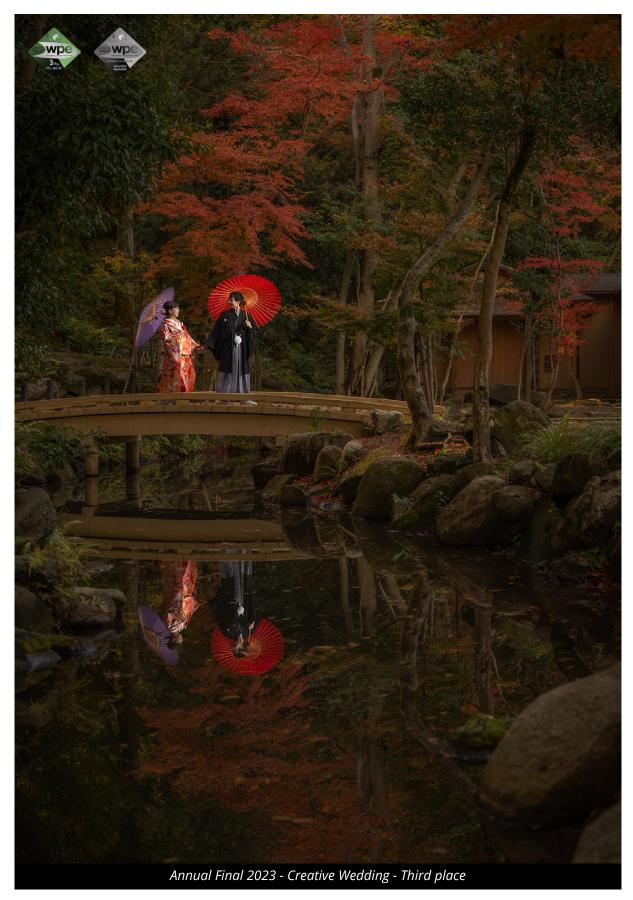
**Expert of WPE** 



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Japan





# **Rolando Vasquez M**

#### **Member of WPE**



#### Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Costa Rica

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**Bekir Yesiltas** 

#### **Distinguished of WPE**



Total points earned for the year 2023 : 1



Marmara University Fine Arts Institute Photography Department Master. AOF Philosophy Undergraduate student. He has an Associate Degree in Photography and Video and a Bachelor of Business Administration. He successfully completed Harvard University Basic and Advanced Photography, American Photographic Association (PSA) History of Photography, advanced Travel photography, Natural Light and Portrait, Image Analysis and Still Life, MEB approved Basic Photography and Digital Photography and Journalism training. More than 7,000 of her photographs have been exhibited in more than 85 countries internationally, he has received more than 3,500 awards and 71 photographic titles. He is an active jury member in international photography competitions and festivals and continues to work as a freelance photographer, digital photography instructor and consultant in Turkey.

