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2023 Northwest Council of Camera Clubs Traveling Image Salon Rules and Guidelines

1. The Traveling Image Salon (TIS) is a digital inter club competition of the NWCCC. Awards are given to clubs and to individual club members. Specifics regarding these awards are set out at the end of these rules. The intent of the competition is to allow as many club members as want to participate to do so. Clubs may enter as a **Participating Club** that both submits images and votes on the images of all other clubs, or as a **Voting Club** that only votes on the images of all participating clubs.
2. TIS will run from **Feb 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023**. During this period all images must have been viewed and voted on and all voting summary reports timely sent to NWCCC TIS Director at samrul@msn.com.
3. A set of digital images from each participating NWCCC club will be viewed and voted on by each of the other participating clubs in the order specified by the NWCCC TIS Director. All voting will be done online. Each club will receive the following:
 - A copy of the TIS Rules and Guidelines.
 - A list of the entered clubs and the order in which they are to be viewed and voted on.
 - Instructions and forms necessary to submit the images to the NWCCC.
 - Instructions on how members are to access this system and how clubs are to report the summaries of each set of votes will also be provided.
4. On the Intent to Enter form, each club will designate a TIS Director to oversee implementing that club's participation in the TIS. The name and contact information of this Director is to be sent to the NWCCC TIS Director.
5. Each club's TIS Director will set their own club's schedule for viewing and voting. They will send a notice of the next deadline with each report to the NWCCC TIS Director. The expectation is that each club will view and vote on one club's images approximately each month. This may be a shorter or longer period, not to exceed two months, based on the club's meeting schedule. The voting reports must be sent by the last day of each designated period. All viewing and voting must be done in the order of each club's list if a club sets a two-month time frame for viewing and voting due to that club's meeting schedule (two clubs' images may be viewed and voted on during that time). All voting reports **MUST** be returned by **October 1, 2023**.
6. Depending on the total number of participating clubs, it may be necessary to view and vote on more than one club's images per month in order to complete the viewing and voting.
7. The juried final images are based on the total number of votes for each club's images. After the juried circuit is completed, the juried winning images will be judged by independent judge(s) for final awards. All awards are announced at the Annual NWCCC conference.
8. Each Participating club that submits images must enter a **minimum of 20** up to a **maximum of 25** digital images. These must be submitted to the NWCCC Webmaster, sized and titled as set out below, by **January 29, 2023**. Each photographer in a club is limited to three (3) entries. If a photographer belongs to and submits images in more than one NWCCC club, that photographer is limited to a total of no more than four (4) entries of which no more than two (2) shall be entered in any one club. The same image may not be submitted in multiple clubs.

9. Suggested Image Selection; Each club member who submits images for entry into the TIS, should designate the maker's first, second and third choices for entry to their clubs TIS Director. If more than 25 images are submitted in that club, all first choices shall be included in the club's entries, if possible, then all second choices, then as many of the third choices as possible. Each club's TIS Director will determine which of a particular tier's images will be included and notify members whose images were not included. The intent of this rule is to encourage participation by as many club members as possible.

10. Images that are entered in the TIS may not be entered in any other 2023 NWCCC digital competition. No image that has received any award in any prior NWCCC digital competition may be entered in the TIS. Images that have not won awards in an NWCCC competition can be entered again. We encourage entrants to submit recent work whenever possible.

11. All entries must be the entrant's own images and post-processing work. If the image is a composite, all elements of the image must originate with the maker. For example, use of stock photos is not allowed. Digitally manipulated photographs may be entered but must originate from a photograph taken by the entrant. Vector elements are not allowed.

12. The image file name should include the image title, the maker's name, and the club's initials formatted as follows: maker's **name_image title_club initials.jpg**. (example: Sam Ruljancich_Blue Lupine_SPS.jpg). Image titles need to be unique. "Untitled" is acceptable if you use "Untitled #1", "Untitled #2", etc.

Image sizing requirements and dimensions are intended to provide maximum image display quality to enable the best possible critique of images of similar orientation.

Landscape (horizontal) images: not to exceed 1920 pixels wide or 1080 pixels high. Images should be submitted at the maximum width or height possible. Most traditional-format landscape images will be constrained by the 1080-pixel height limit, with the width determined by the aspect ratio of the image. Wide panorama images will be constrained by the 1920-pixel width limit, with the height determined by the aspect ratio of the image.

Portrait (vertical) images : not to exceed 1080 pixels in height. Images should be submitted at the 1080-pixel maximum height. Width will be determined by the aspect ratio of the image.

13. Images should be rendered in sRGB color space for consistency in judging. Be careful not to make your images too small as that will have a negative impact on the quality of the judges' viewing experience. The Salon Directors will let your club representative know if there are any issues with your entries. IMPORTANT: many email clients, including Microsoft Outlook and Mac Mail, will attempt to reduce the image file size when you send them. Be careful to override any resizing and send the files in their original size.

14. Club member voting criteria shall be based on the elements of Impact/Interest, Composition, Originality/Creativity and Technical Quality. Each club member is to vote, without priority, on their five favorite images using the weblinks check boxes provided with the images. A return receipt will be sent to the voter along with a copy to your clubs TIS Director for the designated monthly tabulation. It will be each club's TIS Director's responsibility to forward the monthly results to the NWCCC TIS director. Non-affiliated judge(s) will do the final judging.

15. The NWCCC Image Salon director is the ruling discretionary authority on the rules and application.

TRAVELING DEADLINES & Chronological Order of Events

By January 5, 2023 - Clubs must have submitted a TIS Intent to Enter form, emailed to the NWCCC Traveling Image Salon Director.

By January 6, 2023 – NWCCC TIS Director will send Blank Registration Forms, a list of the entered clubs and the order in which they are to be viewed and voted on to Participating and Voting clubs' Directors.

By January 29, 2023 - The Club's completed Registration Form entries must be returned to the NWCCC TIS Director, and all submitted images must be provided online to digital.competition@nwcameraclubs.org or physically delivered to the NWCCC Webmaster.

By Feb 1, 2023 - Links to the images will be sent to the club TIS Directors, to be viewed and voted on.

After each voting deadline, set by the club Director, your club TIS Director must email a completed voting results copy to the NWCCC TIS Director and forward a courtesy copy to the TIS Director of the club whose images were viewed and voted on.

October 1, 2023 - All TIS voting results should be completed and reported to the NWCCC TIS Director.

NWCCC Traveling Image Salon Awards

In the final judging, independent judge(s) will select the 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and Honorable Mention awards. In addition, at the NWCCC TIS Directors discretion, Special Awards may also be awarded for select categories such as Portrait, Photojournalism, Nature, Creative, Landscape, Monochrome, Macro and Best Club Entries etc.

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