

International Competition 2023

International Competition 2023 Held on 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2023				
Club	Title	Mark	Award	Comments by judge Chris Palmer
Italy	-Coffee Time	8		good light loads of information in the picture great texture as well
UK	-Flight of Fantasy	7		makes you look into the picture very intriguing
USA	-Raindrops A Study in Pink and Yellow	6		diffused but needs more clarity in the centre picture
Finland	- Lightly on the Surface	9	<b>HM</b>	wonderful colour the shape is very visual
NZ	-A Tale of Two Doctors	7		very interesting photo with warm tones but busy picture
USA	-Daffodils Last Gasp	7		high key shape and form sits well in frame needs more space at the top
NZ	-Along the Thar Desert Track	6		colours are strong but has it been put together interesting photo
UK	-Magic water	9	<b>HM</b>	quality and light fabulous picture
Finland	- Waiting 3	6		technically very good but don't like the pose
Italy	-End of the Lesson	7		almost a pattern picture as they are all in white great contact with the phographer
UK	Battersea	5		not engaging clarity of reflection not great
USA	-Hot Spring Tourists	7		wonderful opportunity maybe too many people in picture
Italy	-Magical Night	8		Tripod holes are well worn in this location but well done
Finland	- First Snow 2	6		strength of colour along the edges but may be over sharpened
NZ	-Barrel Racing	8		Drama movement sharp crisp interesting picture
NZ	Emu	6		back ground to strong for this emuwith a bad hair day
USA	Lotus	6		background is distracting great detail in flower looks artificial
Italy	-The Kiss	7		charming cameo technically excellent very good skin tones
UK	-Where the streets have a name	8		phographer has worked well with the technique
Finland	- Searching for Laundry	6		applaud the imagination but struggling with the image
UK	-Rydal Water	7		beautifully crafted maybe too much foreground do we need it ?
USA	-Antifungal Polarized Photomicrography	6		not a straight forward photo its to confused
Finland	- Lost Reflection	7		quality picture very graphic
Italy	-On the Stairs	6		very strong very pleasing profiles work well but bright at top
NZ	-Grace and Grunge	5		Dated old Hollywood feel but arms are wrong position
USA	-Ambush Bug	10	<b>Third</b>	Lovely macro very scary bug
NZ	-Holi Lord Vishnu	7		sense of fun great colours and enjoyment
Finland	- Winter Cherry	6		very well controlled lighting table top that's almost Mono
Italy	-Sculptor and Dust	6		Humorous he almost needs wipers on his glasses captured well
UK	-Moss capsules	8		enjoyed this picture good shape beautiful capture

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Finland	- Mealtime 12	7		endearing creature but some blue fringing in the fur
USA	-Sunrise at Middlecreek	6		Fabulous, almost hear the noise of the birds, colour a bit bright
UK	-Mary's Shell	6		simple shot with great shape long exposure works well
Italy	Stare	6		shallow dept of field works very well eyes are a bit overworked
NZ	-Milky Way Over Muriwai	10	<b>First</b>	Beautiful beautiful beautiful fabulous location
USA	-Beth Shalom Asea	8		strong and interesting great building
NZ	-Negative Intersection - the Tattooed Man	7		might be an Art installation but head is very negative
UK	-The Last Act	6		good colour a very quiet picture
Finland	- Snow in Kuntivaara 3	7		lovely light and colour but need less of the trees to make impact
Italy	-Smoking Grass	7		eye is very bright smoke interesting sense of the character
Italy	-Butcher Twins	7		well seen captured well
NZ	-Ninja - Fashionista	7		wonderful expression contrast between him and dress shop
Finland	- Sparkling Delicate Nature	8		clarity great and a low down point of view works well
USA	-Ayinger Oktober	7		Rim light is well produced around the glass
UK	-Slime mould get-together	10	<b>HM</b>	exciting picture tiny interesting plants
NZ	-Roca London Gallery	7		swirls are fabulous well handled photo
USA	-Face in the Water	7		too much water but good interpretation
Finland	- In the Air	6		potential is great timing is dramatic
UK	-Canoe Trials	8		sense of concentration is fabulous
Italy	-Cormorant Fisherman	7		seen a lot of these pictures location is great and light at the back is good
USA	-Valley of Lights	6		colour contrast is too high and very bright
Finland	- Storm	6		scale feels odd but extraordinary back ground
UK	-Who used this last	6		lots of texture well handled
NZ	-Sand Dunes on the Sahara	7		crispness is extraordinary beautiful light
Italy	-Kolkata Railway Slum	7		love the location quality picture but almost two pictures
NZ	-Sky Tower	7		beautifully done low angle of view
Finland	- Elina and Wanderstern	7		good light background distracting
Italy	-Morning Bath	8		to be in the right place at the right time
UK	-Fighting Mandarins	8		fabulous colours and movement
USA	-Reeds of Heaven	8		right hand side is bright but lovely tones in picture
USA	-Black and Blue	5		Effective but feels flat
Italy	-Sulphur Carriers	9	<b>HM</b>	highly dangerous job love the separation and the colour palette
UK	-Mariella and Friend	7		nice quality of photograph
Finland	- The Rallystory of 0156 millisecond	6		elevated vehicle but remove person
NZ	-Southwark Station	7		strong sense of depth and great reflective metal

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NZ	-Te Whitinga Bridge Walkway	6		losing detail in the shadows some challenges in photo
Finland	- Emergency Braking	7		quality of feather detail is great
UK	-Made Up	7		very unusual lady presented in grunge effect
Italy	Calcutta	8		enjoyed this beautiful piece of photography
USA	-Washington Memorial Chapel Light	7		not familiar with location the yellow is very strong
USA	-To Love Beauty IS To See The Light	6		colours are very bright but nice photo
Italy	-The Last Maramures	10	<b>Second</b>	simple photo enviroment is strong quality picture
NZ	-Weather bomb - Okareka	6		super sky not enough content
UK	-Maserati MC 20	7		beautifully done magazine quality good job
Finland	- Calm	8		Need to see the edges of phograph but quality work

**Club Awards**

**First Place**

**Italy with 111 points**

**Second**

**UK with 109 points**

**Third**

**New Zealand with 103 points**

**Fourth**

**USA & Finland tied with 102 points each**