

All About Photo Announces the Winners of AAP Magazine #12 B&W

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We're delighted to reveal the names of the 25 talented photographers who won "AAP Magazine #12: B&W"

For this 12th edition of AAP Magazine, we received a record number of submissions from all over the world. The winning photographers come from 11 different countries and 4 continents.

Their work reflect the large variety black and white photography can offer. Documentary, portrait, travel, street, wildlife, abstract and fine art are all represented in the winning portfolios.

Regardless of the genre of photography, the selected projects all have different approaches to the unifying theme of black and white. Using film, analog or digital photography, deep blacks or light grays, each photographer showcases a unique point of view. The chosen work successfully incorporates the literal and metaphorical dichotomy of black and white.

Mysterious, intense, timeless, at times nostalgic, black and white is magical for anyone who loves photography. Clearly black and white photography continues to hold a prominent place in our hearts and imaginations!

Selecting the winners was certainly not an easy task, but in the end we hope you will all enjoy this collection of photographs.

The Winner of AAP Magazine #12 B&W is Jacopo Maria Della Valle (Italy) with his image “Ukuli”



Featured Image : Ukili © Jacopo Maria Della Valle

The transition from adolescence to adulthood in the Hamar tribes (Ethiopia) is marked by an ancient ritual: the Bull Jumping Ceremony. The day of the ceremony Hamar boys, called Ukuli, must run above ten bulls, back and forth four times, to test their bravery and strength. They are partially shaved, stripped naked and rubbed with sand to wash away their sins.

<https://www.jacopodellavalle.it/>

https://www.instagram.com/jacopo_della_valle/

The Second Place Winner is Jean-Michel Clajot (Belgium) with his series *"Coronavirus Crisis in Belgium"*



Featured Image: Coronavirus Crisis in Belgium © Jean-Michel Clajot

Today we are fighting one of the most difficult battles of our time against an enemy that appears invisible - The 2020 coronavirus pandemic was first confirmed to have spread to Belgium on 4 February 2020, when a Belgian national repatriated from Wuhan to Brussels tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. Transmission within Belgium was then confirmed early March at the end of the school holidays around carnival, when many tourists back from Northern Italy returned to work or school, leading to an epidemic with a rapid increase in cases in March–April 2020. By the end of March, cases had been registered in all 10 provinces of the country.

<https://clajot.photoshelter.com/>

<https://www.instagram.com/jmclajot/>

<https://www.all-about-photo.com/photographers/photographer/940/jean-michel-clajot>

The Third Place Winner is Thomas Vijayan (Canada) with his image “*Wild Swing*”



Featured image: Wild Swing © Thomas Vijayan

Wild Swing, caught in action was shot at Tangkoko reserve in the northeastern tip of the Indonesian island of Sulawesi.

<https://www.thomasvijayan.com/>

<https://www.instagram.com/thomasvijayan/>



© Jacque Rupp - Merit Award



© Frank Machalowski - Merit Award

The other winners featured in the Merit Award's Gallery are : **Jacque Rupp** (United States), **Richard Dweck** (United States), **Frank Lynch** (Switzerland), **Eddy Verloes** (Belgium), **Eric Lee** (United States), **Iris Stevens** (United States), **Giuseppe Cardoni** (Italy), **James Peaslee** (United States), **Frank Machalowski** (Germany), **Giorgio Negro** (Switzerland), **Jennifer Shaw** (United States), **Klaus Lenzen** (Germany), **Eric Kunsman** (United States), **Alexandro Pelaez** (United Kingdom), **Susanne Middelberg** (Netherlands), **Axel Breutigam** (Canada), **Dilla Djalil Daniel** (Indonesia), **Bruce Haswell** (Australia), **Graeme Purdy** (United Kingdom), **Diane Fenster** (United States), **Xiaowen Huang** (China) and **Julien De Wilde** (Belgium).

The top 3 winners will be awarded \$1,000.

All winners will have their work showcased on All About Photo Winners Gallery, and published in the printed issue of AAP Magazine.

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© Xiaowen Huang - Merit Award





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© Eddy Verloes - Merit Award

About AAP Magazine

All About Photo invites dedicated and passionate photographers from all around the world to share their work in its printed edition. Each issue is central to a specific theme and provides a gallery of inspiring imagery, focusing on each artist with their own experience to share.

We are honored to be a part of the process of jurying work from such an amazing call for entry and to be able to design such a beautiful, hand-curated publication of the best contemporary photography. We showcase exclusively the winners of AAP Magazine's call of entries organized by All About Photo all year long.

With an eye towards beauty, quality and novelty, we strive to promote portfolios which stand out for their unique visual signature style and character. Our goal is to help photographers get the exposure we think they deserve and to inspire the others with ideas, projects and goals to help develop their own photography.

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