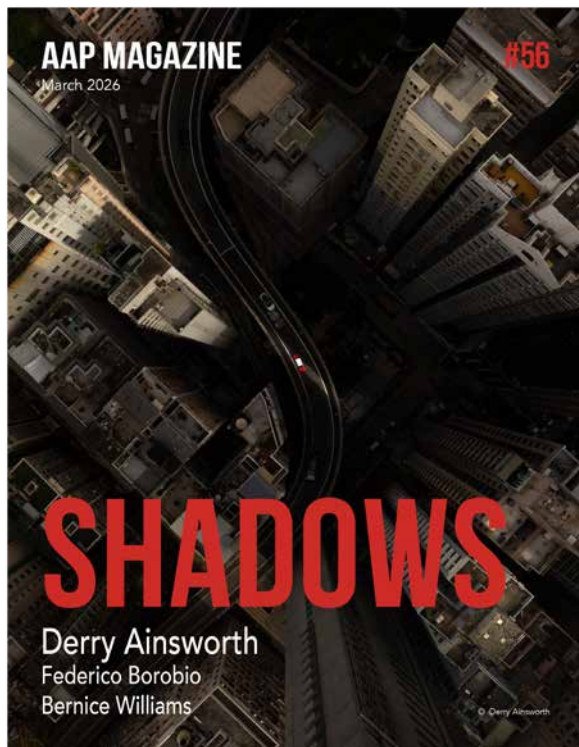


AAP Magazine #56: Shadows Winners Announced: Light Meets Its Most Poetic Counterpart

Photography has always been defined by light—its ability to reveal, shape, and transform what we see. Yet shadows are just as essential to the language of the medium. They add depth, mystery, rhythm, and emotion, turning ordinary scenes into compelling visual stories.



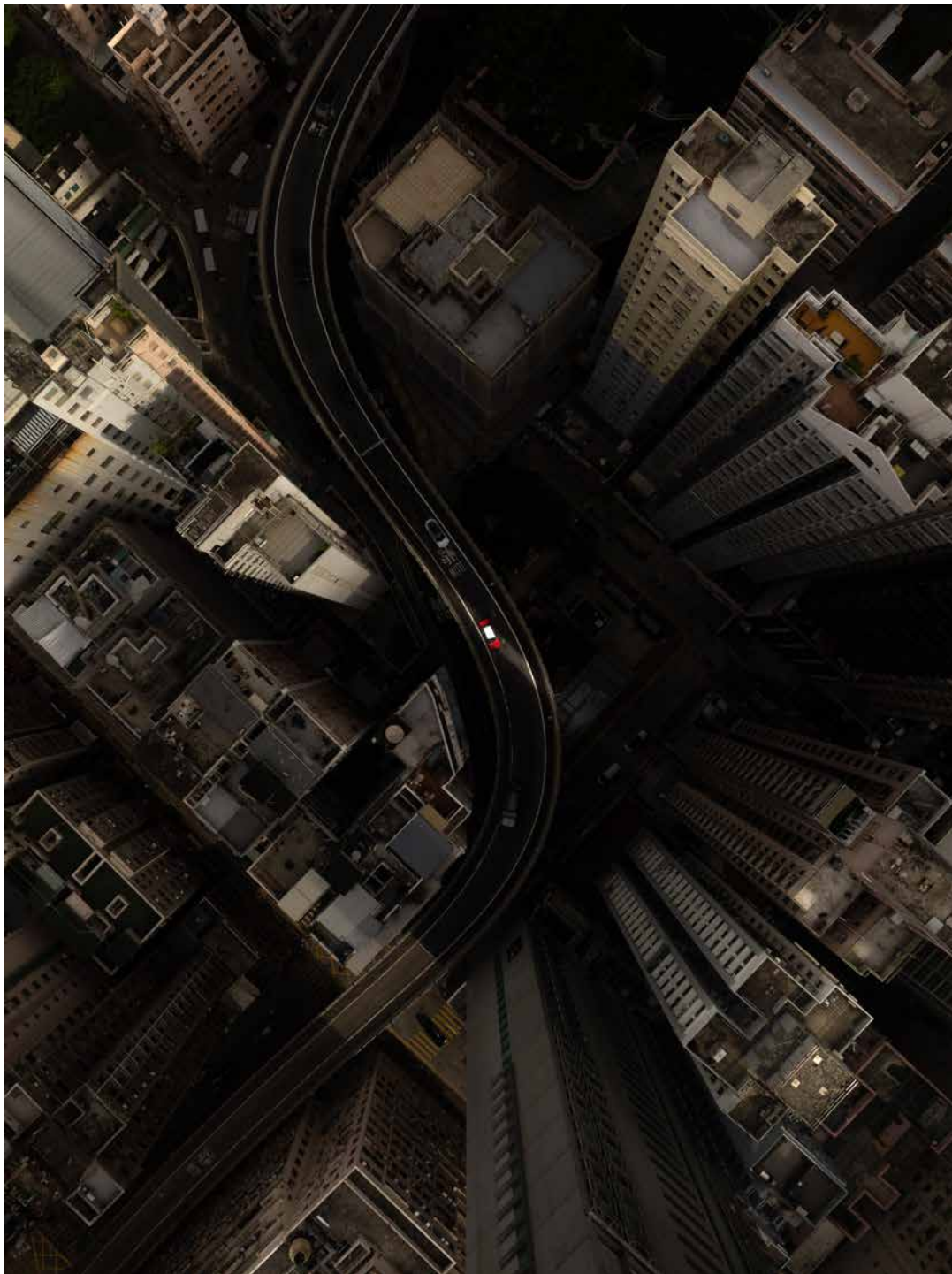
With its 56th edition, **AAP Magazine** invited photographers from around the world to explore the creative power of shadows and their ability to shape narrative, atmosphere, and composition. The goal was to celebrate images where shadows are not simply present, but essential—where they become a force of expression in their own right.

The 25 selected photographers—coming from **11 different countries across 4 continents**—offer a remarkable diversity of interpretations. From bold graphic contrasts to subtle, poetic atmospheres, their work reveals how shadows can conceal, reveal, suggest, and transform. Spanning fine art, street photography, documentary, and minimalist approaches, the selected images demonstrate the many ways photographers use darkness to illuminate meaning.

Together, these works create a rich visual dialogue and remind us that shadows are far more than the absence of light—they are an essential part of how we experience photography.

Selecting the winners was no easy task, and we thank all photographers who shared their vision with us. The following 25 winning photographers each bring a unique perspective to this exploration of shadows in contemporary photography.

The Winner of AAP Magazine 56 Shadows is Derry Ainsworth (United Kingdom) with the series '*Highs & Lows*'.



Featured Image: '*Slither of Light*' from the series '*Highs & Lows*' © Derry Ainsworth

<https://www.derryainsworth.com>

The Second Place Winner is **Federico Borobio** (Argentina) with the series '*Chronicles of Earthquake Street and Other Magical Alleys*'.



Featured Image: '*The Man from Guanajuato*' from the series '*Chronicles of Earthquake Street and Other Magical Alleys*' © Federico Borobio

<https://federicoborobio.com>

The Third Place Winner is **Bernice Williams** (United States) with the series '*Shadow Catching*'.



Featured image: '*Running the Gauntlet*' from the series '*Shadow Catching*' © Bernice Williams

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© Jozef Macak - Merit Award



© Tom Zimberoff - Merit Award

The other winners featured in the Merit Award's Gallery are: **Costas Delhas** (Greece), **Tom Zimberoff** (United States), **Jozef Macak** (Slovakia), **Manuel Besse** (France), **Matthew Garbutt** (United Kingdom), **Marika Poquet** (France), **Tommi Viitala** (Finland), **Rémy Pinaton** (France), **Giacomo Sannipoli** (Italy), **Alfredo Diano** (Italy), **Jens Hoffmann** (Germany), **Klaus Lenzen** (Germany), **Colin Page** (United Kingdom), **Hendrik Wolf** (Germany), **Ave Pildas** (United States), **Demetrio Jereissati** (Brazil), **Margo Ryan** (United Kingdom), **Wendy Stone** (United States), **Mary Kay Kirsner** (United States), **Ludovic Vievard** (France), **Sarah And Lucy Jenkins** (Australia), **Rupert Chambers** (United States).

The top three winners will receive a prize of \$1,000, and all winning photographs will be prominently featured in the **All About Photo** Winners Gallery and published in the printed issue of **AAP Magazine #56: Shadows**.

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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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