Photo Now

September 8 – October 13, 2015

The Artists Archives of the Western Reserve (AAWR) announces *Photo Now* (formerly the annual *Western Reserve Open Photography Competition)* to be held in the beautiful 3,000 sq. ft. Gallery East of Cuyahoga Community College's, eastern Campus, 4250 Richmond Rd, Highland Hills, OH 44122   www.tri-c.edu/galleryeast

Submission Information:
The AAWR invites all photographers who currently reside in the USA to submit images using any photographic process (silver gelatin, digital print, alternative process, etc.) Experimental and mixed techniques are welcome. Only two dimensional work is eligible for admission.
All entries must be submitted online via Smarter Entry at
https://client.smarterentry.com/aawr

Presentation:
All accepted prints must be **professionally framed**, wired and ready for hanging (Neutral matting only, glass or acrylic where applicable, frames must be in decent condition).
Size limitation for work is 8' high, no limitation in width, weight 50lb
The AAWR retains the right to refuse any work not presented in a professional manner.

Eligibility:
The Call for Entries is open to both amateur and professional photographers.

Entry Fee:
The entry fee is $30 for the first 3 images. Additional images may be submitted at $10 per image. There is no limit on additional images.

Sales:
 AAWR charges a 40% commission on any sales.

Insurance:
 The Insurance of accepted artwork is the sole responsibility of the artist

Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony: Tuesday September 8, 6:30 – 8:00pm.

Awards will be presented in five categories:
Best in Show: $400
Best Black and White: $200
Best Color: $200
People's Choice: $200
The **People's Choice Award** will be based on popular vote taken during the opening reception. Come and vote for your favorite photograph.

Calendar:
Submissions open: April 1, 2015
Submission deadline: July 1, 2015

Notification of acceptance:
Artists will be notified of the acceptance of their work the week of August 4, 2014

Delivery of accepted work: Accepted work may be hand delivered or shipped.

Hand delivered work should be delivered directly to Gallery East, located in the Education Center of Cuyahoga Community College, 4250 Richmond Rd, Highland Hills, OH 44122
Parking for delivery is free in LOT H, accessed most easily by the Harvard Rd Entrance
Drop off Dates for Hand Delivery:
Work can be delivered Monday August 24 and Tuesday August 25, between 11:00am and 7:00pm
Pick up Dates:
Wed October 14 and Thursday Oct 15, between 11:00 am and 7:00 pm

Shipped work must be shipped to:
Photo Now c/o AAWR, 1834 E. 123rd St, Cleveland OH 44106
Shipping dates: all shipped work must be received by AAWR between Monday Aug. 17 – Friday Aug. 21, 2015.
Any work received after August 21 will not be considered for exhibition, but will be immediately shipped back to the artist.
Return shipping: AAWR will return accepted work between Monday Oct 19 and Friday Oct 23, 2015

All shipped work must arrive with prepaid return shipping
All shipped work must be packaged properly and the packaging reusable for return shipping.
AAWR will not be responsible for any damage that occurs during the packaging and shipping process either to or from AAWR.
All shipped work must be insured by the artist. AAWR will not be responsible for insuring shipped work.

AAWR and Cuyahoga Community College will not be responsible for any hand delivered work left remaining after the closing of the exhibition. Work not picked up will be subjected to storage fees and disposed of at the discretion of the gallery coordinator!

AAWR and Cuyahoga Community College will not be responsible for returning any shipped work that is not prepaid. This work will also be subjected to storage fees and disposed of at the discretion of the gallery coordinator!

About our judge:

Dr. Unni Pulikkal was introduced to photography in 1998. His Current interests are nature photography with specialisation in photographic documentation of butterflies of the south-western reserves (Western Ghats) of southern India, and contemporary, visual art photography. In the fall of 2014, he founded the first museum of photography in India. He has exhibited all over the world, including; a retrospective collection of work shown in The Industry and Film Museum, Wolfen, Germany from August to September, 2013; two solo and two group exhibitions in Berlin - 2011,2012 & 2013; Exhibition in Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Ohio, USA, 2007; and over 24 venues across India. His work has been published hundreds of

times in India and abroad in various journals, magazines, catalogues, websites, calendars, books and dailies. His numerous awards include The Royal Photographic Society of Londons prestigious title ARPS (Associate of RPS) in 2008 and the Government of India's Ministry of Culture senior fellowship in creative photography for the year 2014 – 2015.

Terms and Conditions
All entrants to Western Reserve Open Photography Competition, by virtue of their submission, attest that the images submitted are their own work and with no copyright infringement. AAWR will not be held liable for any infringement of rights that may become apparent during the jurying or displaying of any image.
Copyright remains with the photographer. Artists whose submissions are chosen for the exhibition grant AAWR the right to use their images for the purpose of promoting the exhibition, AAWR programs and subsequent display on the AAWR website of past exhibitions without further contact or compensation from AAWR.
ALL Subject matter must be appropriate for PUBLIC VIEWING.
Mailing Lists
As a submitter, you grant permission to the AAWR to include your name in future mailings and announcements. We do not sell, rent or share our mailing lists. If you would prefer NOT to be on our mailing list, please notify the AAWR in writing.

Questions? Please contact the AAWR at info@artistsarchives.org and **be sure** to put in the **subject line** your question is for the **Photography Competition**.

Image Preparation for uploading:
To prepare your images for uploading, please adhere to the following image file specifications:
• sRGB or RGB color space (standard)
-NOT CMYK (typically used by printing industry)
• 72 ppi resolution
• sized to 1,280 pixels on the longest side, the other side width or height proportional
• layers flattened
• 8 bit mode
• JPG format
• JPG compression at level 7 (medium)
• Do not use characters other than a period preceding jpg in the file name.
The following characters will lead to image uploading problems:
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