Eligibility: Any amateur photographer who is a member of the School of Integrative Biology (SIB) community may enter: students (undergraduate or graduate), staff, academic professionals, postdocs or faculty.

Categories:

1. **Nature:** Any photograph showing some aspect of the natural world
2. **Biologists at Work:** Any photograph showing one or more biologists working in the laboratory or in the field
3. **Biological Imaging:** Any photograph taken through or with the aid of a microscope or other imaging device

Prizes: 1st ($200), 2nd ($100), and 3rd ($50) prizes in each category. Entrants may win prizes in more than one category, but may only win one prize in each category.

Submission: You may submit up to three entries total. Entries must be submitted as electronic files and as prints mounted on 11” X 14” quarter inch foam core backing. There is no entry fee. Electronic files and mounted prints must be received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 31, 2017 at the School of Integrative Biology office (286 Morrill Hall).

Prints: Do not frame your prints and do not place any mounting hardware on the reverse side of the backing. The print may be any size as long as it fits on the backing, but it is recommended that to maximize the impact your photo will have, that you make the print as large as possible within the limits set by the backing. Do not put anything on the front of the print. On the lower right on the back of the mounted print, please print your name, the category in which you are submitting the entry, the title of the photo, a phone number, and an e-mail address for contact.

Electronic Files: Send electronic copies of your entries (high resolution files in JPG format) to Marty Forrest at mjforres@illinois.edu or you may bring the (high resolution files in TIFF or JPG format) on a USB flash drive when you submit your entry form to room 286 Morrill Hall. The files will be downloaded and the flash drive returned to you.

Disposition of entries: As noted on the entry form, SIB may retain your mounted prints and use them and the electronic images you submit to promote biology at Illinois, SIB, and its studies and personnel. If SIB elects not to retain your prints, you will be notified so you may pick them up after the photo show.

Judging Criteria: No significant manipulation of submitted images is allowed. Cropping or minor color or sharpness correction is permissible, but prints must represent what an observer would have seen at the time the image was taken. Prints will be judged on technical quality (focus, exposure, contrast), esthetic qualities (balance, composition, lighting), and relevance to the theme of the competition. The judges reserve the right to remove inappropriate photos from the competition or to move a print into a category other than that which it was submitted in the case of an obvious error. All decisions of the judges are final.
The World of Biology Photo Competition
2017 Entry Form

Please fill out this form completely and submit it along with your contest entries before 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 31, 2017 to the School of Integrative Biology office (286 Morrill Hall). No entries will be accepted without an accompanying entry form.

Please print all information:

Name________________________________________________________________________________

E-Mail________________________________________________________________________________

Phone________________________________________________________________________________

IB Status (please circle one)

Academic professional
Faculty
Postdoc
Graduate student
Staff
Undergraduate student

Categories: #1 Nature, #2 Biologists at Work, #3 Biological Imaging

Entry #1    Title________________________________________________________    Category #______

Entry #2    Title________________________________________________________    Category #______

Entry #3    Title_________________________________________________________   Category #______

By signing below, you certify that you took the photograph(s) you have submitted, that you are eligible for this competition, and that you agree to allow the School of Integrative Biology to use your image(s) on the website or in printed material and to display your print(s) to promote biology at Illinois, the School of Integrative Biology, and its students and personnel. In so far as is practical, you will be credited for all images and prints used. You retain copyright to your images.

Signature______________________________________________________Date___________________

For office use only

_____Info on back of print(s)    _____Form filled out and signed    _____Electronic file(s)