

Winners Announced in the 69th College Photographer of the Year Competition

CPOY announces the winners selected from 11,024 still images, 82 portfolios, 456 picture stories and 169 multimedia stories and projects entered by 545 student photographers from 99 colleges and universities in 18 countries.

The 69th College Photographer of the Year is Mario Wezel of the University of Applied Sciences and Arts in Hannover, Germany. Wezel's work was awarded Gold in the Portfolio category, as well as Awards of Excellence in Documentary and in Interpretive Project.

Souvid Datta of the University College London-Gower was named the Runner-up College Photographer of the Year with a Silver award in the Portfolio category. His work was also honored with a Bronze in Documentary.

Alexey Furman of the University of Missouri was named the Second Runner-up College Photographer of the Year with a Bronze award in the Portfolio category. His work was also honored with Silver and Award of Excellence in Spot News, Gold in General News and Bronze and Award of Excellence in Portrait.

Multimedia winners include Annie Flanagan of Syracuse University; Ann Sophie Lindstrom of the University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Hannover; Ora Dekornfeld, of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The winning multimedia projects as well as all the winning still images are available for viewing by clicking on the Winning Images tab at www.cpoyn.org.

Judges for the Still Division were: Preston Gannaway, freelance; Uwe Martin, Multimedia Producer at the Bombay Flying Club; John Sale, AME for Visuals at the Commercial Appeal in Memphis, TN; and Jesse Wender, Senior Photo Editor at National Geographic Magazine.

The Multimedia Division was judged by Uwe Martin, Meredith Birkett, Managing Editor for Verse, a website launching in 2015 focusing on interactive visual story telling, and Brad Horn, video journalist at the Washington Post.