

Guidelines of the UoR Highlight Mobile Photography Competition- 2024

1. Eligibility:

- The competition is open to all students currently studying at the University of Ruhuna.
- Participants must use a mobile device (smartphone or tablet) to capture their photographs.

2. Theme:

- Natural Beauty of the University of Ruhuna.

3. Submission Guidelines:

- The maximum number of photos that each participant can submit is 3
- All photographs must be captured using a mobile device and should not have been previously published or submitted to any other competitions.
- Images must be in JPEG or PNG format and file size must not exceed 5Mb.
- Entries must be submitted digitally through the designated submission platform or email address.
- Include a title and brief description for each photograph, mentioning any relevant context or story behind the image.
- Please use the declaration form at the end of this document for your submission

4. Technical Requirements:

- Images should maintain high quality and resolution, showcasing the capabilities of modern mobile cameras.
- Basic editing is allowed (e.g., cropping, brightness/contrast adjustments, color correction), but excessive manipulation or use of filters that significantly alter the original image's content is discouraged.
- Watermarks or any other identifying marks on the images are not permitted.

5. Copyright and Permissions:

- Participants must own the copyright to all submitted images.
- By entering the competition, participants grant the organizers non-exclusive rights to reproduce, display, and distribute submitted photographs for promotional purposes related to the competition.
- Participants are responsible for obtaining any necessary permissions or releases for recognizable individuals, private property, or copyrighted materials depicted in their photographs.

6. Judging Criteria:

- Creativity and Originality: Uniqueness of perspective, innovative compositions, and imaginative interpretations of the theme.
- Technical Excellence: Clarity, focus, exposure, and overall technical proficiency in image capture.
- Emotional Impact: Ability to evoke emotions, tell a story, or convey a message through the photograph.
- Relevance to Theme: How well the image aligns with the theme of the competition and the depth of its connection to the chosen subject matter.

7. Prizes:

- First Place: 10000.00 LKR
- Second Place: 5000.00 LKR
- Third Place: 3000.00 LKR

8. Judging Process:

- Establish a panel of judges with expertise in photography, art, or related fields.
- Ensure transparency and impartiality throughout the judging process.
- Judges should evaluate entries independently based on the established criteria and reach a consensus on the winners.

9. Important Dates:

- Submission Deadline: 30th May 2024
- Winners will be published in the UoR Highlights January 2024 issue.

10. Code of Conduct:

- Reserve the right to disqualify entries or take appropriate action against individuals who violate the competition's rules or guidelines.

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Declaration to be submitted by the contestants along with each entry to the "UoR Highlights Mobile Photographic Competition 2024"

Declaration

I hereby declare that,

1. I have gone through the Guidelines of the mobile photographic competition of the University of Ruhuna' and I will abide by them.
2. I am the sole owner of the photograph submitted by me as the entry to the UoR Highlight Mobile Photographic Competition 2024, and the same is taken by me, and I have not violated any rule in taking the photograph(s) and agree that the University of Ruhuna will not be responsible for any claims/suit challenging the authorship, or infringement on the privacy of any person recognizable in the photograph(s) submitted.
3. The content of the photographs submitted as entry is free from any sort of liability/litigation, and it has not won any prize in prior competitions or has been used for commercial purposes and/or been published elsewhere.
4. UoR Highlights will be free to reproduce and use the image in print, websites, social media sites, broadcast, and/or electronic media without any fee payment, to promote the competition or works related to the University of Ruhuna and
5. The Photographs submitted to UoR Highlights Mobile photographic competition will be the property of the University of Ruhuna

1. Name	
2. Index Number	
3. Faculty	
4. Email address	
5. Contact Mobile No	
6. Signature	
Recommendation of the Faculty Coordinator of UoR Highlights	

Please submit electronic copies of your photos and declaration form to the faculty coordinator of the UoR Highlights.