2020 Pacific Water Conference Photo Contest Criteria and Rules

The 2020 Pacific Water Conference Contest is held to promote awareness of water and wastewater issues and environment, and to recognize the men and women in the industry, through compelling and artistic imagery.

Criteria
Photos shall be submitted by AWWA-HI Section members and/or HWEA members.

The categories for entries are:

(1) Breaking barriers and working together to protect our water resources;

(2) Impacts and innovation caused by climate change on Hawaii’s water and wastewater resources.

A complete submission shall include the photo entry and a complete “2020 Pacific Water Conference Photo Contest Entry Form” signed by the contestant. Photos shall be submitted digitally in either .JPG or .TIF format with a minimum camera setting of 900 pixels by 720 pixels.

Entries in each category will be judged by the Conference Committee based on the following criteria (equally weighted):

- Creativity
- Composition
- Conformance with Category theme

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers will be determined for each category.

Besides the top three for each category, qualified photo entries also have a chance to be voted by the conference attendees. The photos will be displayed along with the photo descriptions provided on the entry form by the photographers. The description should provide the photographer’s perspective on how the photo meets the theme of the category. The photo receiving the most votes in each category will be the People’s Choice winner.

Prizes
Cash prizes will be awarded to winners in each category. Winners will be announced during the conference banquet on Thursday, February 6, 2020.

1st place: $150
2nd Place: $100
3rd Place: $75
People’s Choice: $50

Contest Rules
1. A maximum of one (1) photo entry is allowed per person per category. Each photo is eligible for entering only one (1) contest category.
2. The photo must be shot in the State of Hawaii or the Pacific Islands (Guam, American Samoa, etc).
3. The photo must be the photographer’s original work and have not been previously published.
4. The photo must not have won any previous photo contest.
5. The photo must be an original image unaltered by computer software.
6. The photo must not infringe on any copyright, statutory, common law, or other rights of any person, firm or corporation, agency, or other entity.
7. All entries will be printed by the photo contest committee as 8” x 10” prints. Please select appropriate camera settings to accommodate such printing and all entries must have a minimum setting of 900 pixels by 720 pixels.
8. Photos will be subject to screening prior to judging. The photo contest committee reserves the right to eliminate photos deemed to contain obscene, provocative, defamatory, or otherwise objectionable or inappropriate content.
9. If the photos are of a facility or assets of an agency (e.g., pipes at an agency’s construction site is considered the agency’s assets), then such agencies may have authority to screen and deny the entry. Please obtain the agency’s...
written permission prior to submittal and attach the permission to the Photo Contest Entry Form. The photo contest committee reserves the right to confirm that such permission was granted.

10. If there are more than 10 qualified photo entries per category, a maximum of 10 entries per category will be displayed at the conference for the People’s Choice vote.

11. The Pacific Water Conference has the right to use and publish the photos.

12. All entries must be received by Jodie at jtsubone@e2hi.com or Jeremy at Jeremy.l.kimura@hawaii.gov no later than THAN 11:59 pm (HST), Monday, December 30, 2019.

13. Entries received after 11:59 pm (HST), December, 30, 2019 will be automatically disqualified.

Here are last year’s winners! Please note that the categories for the 2020 Pacific Water Conference Photo Contest differs from previous years.

Category 1: When “IT” Hits the Fan:

1st Place and People’s Choice
*Tubular Tunnel*
Danny Doan

2nd Place
*Water Fleas*
Merli Aligmanto

3rd Place
*Some-Air Under the Rainbow*
Tony Ali
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Category 2: Ola i Ka Wai, Water is Life:

1st Place and People's Choice
Rippling Waters of Waiʻaleʻale
Bryan Wienand

2nd Place
The UV Matrix
Danny Doan

3rd Place
Mohala i ka wai ka maka o ka pua –
Unfolded by the water are the faces of the flowers
Joel Burbage