

The Sports Journalists'  
Association of Great Britain

# BRITISH SPORTS JOURNALISM AWARDS 2018

## Photography Awards

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The SJA British Sports Photography Awards offer the most prestigious accolades for sports photography in this country. The competition is open to all British-based professional photographers, whether staff or freelance, on national, regional, daily or weekly newspapers, as well as specialist sports magazines, agencies and websites.

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## CATEGORIES

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**Canon**

### **CANON SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR The Ed Lacey Trophy**

Is awarded to the photographer who, in the opinion of the judges, has been the overall best sports photographer of 2018 and has demonstrated an outstanding range of photographic skills. This will be judged on submitted entries into the categories listed below. All other awards are subject to entered submissions which are then put before our panel of judges.

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### **CANON SPORTS PORTFOLIO (SP)**

To consist of 10 photographs representing a variety of sports and a range of photographic disciplines at a variety of sports events. Photographers can only enter one portfolio into this category.

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### **SPECIALIST SPORTS PORTFOLIO (SSP)**

To consist of 10 photographs of one particular sport, showing a range of photographic disciplines, but not from one sporting event or assignment. Photographers can submit two portfolios from different sports into this category, this will be counted and charged as two entries.

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## **FOOTBALL PORTFOLIO (FP)**

To consist of 10 photographs from football showing a range of photographic disciplines. Entries to this category cannot be entered into Specialist Sports Portfolio. Photographers can only enter one portfolio into this category.

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## **SPORTS PICTURE (PIC)**

This category is judged as the outstanding single picture. Photographers can enter up to three pictures in this category, this will be counted as one entry.

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## **AWAY FROM THE ACTION (AA)**

This category is judged as the outstanding single picture taken away from the sporting action. Entries to this category can include portraits, features or sports news photos which take place off the field of play. Entries to this category cannot be entered into Sports Picture. Photographers can enter up to three pictures in this category this will be counted as one entry.

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## **YOUNG SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHER (YP)**

This category is open to photographers aged 25 or under on 31 December 2018. Previous winners are not eligible to enter. To consist of 5 photographs representing a variety of sports and a range of photographic disciplines at a variety of sports events. Photographers can only enter one portfolio into this category.

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**Note:** The cost of entering this category is at the reduced rate of £20 regardless of SJA membership.

The winner of the Young Sports Photographer of the Year category will be announced prior to the event via the SJA website. The winner will receive a complimentary ticket for themselves and a guest to attend the event on Monday 25 February.

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# CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY 2019

Shortlists in photography categories will be published on the SJA website [www.sportsjournalists.co.uk](http://www.sportsjournalists.co.uk) on 30 January 2019, winners will be announced at a gala ceremony staged at the Park Plaza Westminster Bridge on Monday 25 February 2019.

## HOW TO ENTER

- Entries must be submitted online. To submit an entry visit: [www.BritishSportsJournalismAwards.co.uk](http://www.BritishSportsJournalismAwards.co.uk)
- You **must** also complete an entry form. This can be submitted electronically along with your entry, sent via email to [SJA@s2fevents.co.uk](mailto:SJA@s2fevents.co.uk) or posted to S2F Events, Unit 92 Capital Business Centre, 22 Carlton Road, South Croydon, Surrey, CR2 OBS.
- Each file in the mail should be named with the photographer's initials and the category code to create a reference number. So Bobby Baker entering Sports Portfolio would name his first entry BB-SP1, the second BB-SP2, etc.
- Entry codes can be found next to the category titles on this form. All entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form.
- Successful receipt of your entry will be confirmed by email. If you do not receive a confirmation email please query with [SJA@S2Fevents.co.uk](mailto:SJA@S2Fevents.co.uk) as your entry may not have been received.

## ENTRY FEES

Non-Members: £50 per entry per category.

SJA Members: £20 per category.

**Not an SJA member? - Join the SJA for the annual membership fee of £30.**

**Members receive discounted entry fees to the awards as well as many other benefits, for more information visit:** <https://www.sportsjournalists.co.uk/membership/>

Freelance: Entry fees for freelancers are £50 in total (£20 for SJA Members) to enter all categories.

If you enter as a freelancer and win, you will only be credited as a freelancer. If you require a newspaper or agency to be credited, entry fees of £50 per entry per category (£20 if an SJA member) will apply, and the name of the newspaper or agency must be stated on the entry form at time of entry. An employer cannot be credited retrospectively.

## PAYMENT

Please select your payment method on the entry form.

Cheque - You can send a cheque with your completed entry form. Cheques should be made out to the SJA and be sent with your entry form to S2F Events, Unit 92 Capital Business Centre, 22 Carlton Road, South Croydon, Surrey, CR2 OBS.

Invoice - You will be sent an invoice via email which can be paid via credit / debit card or bank transfer.

## RULES

- There is no limit on the number of photographers that a newspaper, magazine, agency or website may enter in any category.
- All photographs must be the entrant's original work and must have been taken between 1 January and 31 December, 2018.
- Entry into the competition implies acceptance of the rules.
- Failure to comply with any of the rules may result in disqualification.
- Judges reserve the right to move pictures from the portfolio categories into the Sports Picture and Away from the Action categories for consideration
- By entering you declare that you are a professional photographer and the pictures you are entering are your own work and were taken in 2018.
- Entries can be colour or black and white or a combination of both.
- The manipulation or adjustment of digital files are subject to the following restrictions: the original structure of a digital image (scan or digital camera file) may not be altered except by the equivalent of traditional darkroom techniques such as brightness, contrast, basic colour adjustment, spotting, dodging and burning. The use of photo enhancement software to create 'drama' or HDR style to images is not acceptable. No other changes of the original digital file or part of it are acceptable. Composite photographs, multiple exposures, the removal of image content are also excluded from the competition. Original jpeg / files may be requested for review if necessary.
- The organisers retain the right, within the context of the competition and related promotions, to reproduce the articles, broadcasts or pictures, or give permission for the reproduction without any payment or fee. Winning photographers may be required to take part in interviews about their winning entry.
- The decision of the judges will be final.

## JUDGING PANEL

We will be publishing the full list of the judging panel at the awards presentation dinner on **25 February 2019, Westminster Park Plaza, SE1 7UT.**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

SJA Membership Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

In entering the SJA British Sports Journalism Awards, I undertake on my behalf and that of my employers that should I be shortlisted for a prize or win an award, any published or broadcast reference to my nomination or award winning should refer to the full and proper title of the award, including reference to the SJA and the award sponsors where appropriate. For example, "The Canon SJA Sports Photographer of the Year".

### PLEASE TICK THE CATEGORIES YOU ARE ENTERING:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Canon Sports Portfolio (SP) | <input type="checkbox"/> Specialist Sports Portfolio (SSP) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Football Portfolio (FP)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Picture (PIC)              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Away from the Action (AA)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Young Sports Photographer (YP)    |

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**SJA Awards c/o S2F Events, Unit 92, Capital Business Centre, 22 Carlton Road, South Croydon, CR2 0BS**

For further information: Tel: 0208 916 2493 or email: [SJA@s2fevents.co.uk](mailto:SJA@s2fevents.co.uk)

**Entry Deadline – Wednesday 16 January 2019**