

The Formentera Office of Culture is pleased to report that submissions to the Beni Trutmann Photography Contest are now being accepted. Photos can be submitted until 12 April. This year the contest, a benchmark event in local photography, turns 19.

Susana Labrador, Councillor of Culture, described the contest as "a tribute to this extraordinary Swiss photographer who loved Formentera, where he lived 44 years and left more than 30,000 photographs that show his love for the island and its natural world". "That is why Formentera –its landscapes, flora and fauna, culture, heritage and humans in interaction– is central to the contest", she confided. "The goal is to highlight a commitment to protecting and preserving the island," said the councillor, "and to encourage islanders and visitors alike to participate".

Colour, Black and White and Social Justice

In the Colour, Black and White and Social Justice categories, participants may submit up to three photographs. Prints may be square, digital, classic or panoramic and will be eligible for the first, second and third prize in each category (€500, €300 and €200, respectively).

Submissions in these first three categories may be taken to the Citizen Information Office (*Oficina d'Atenció a la Ciutadania, OAC*

) or sent via certified and/or standard mail to the Consell de Formentera (Plaça de la Constitució, 1, 07860 Sant Francesc) until 12 April 2022.

Juniors

This popular category is geared toward young people between the ages of 12 and 18. To participate, send no more than three images to concursfoto@conselldeformentera.cat before 12 April. The first prize in this category is a compact digital camera, the second a digital instant camera and the third a sports camera.

Winning entries are incorporated into the Formentera Archive of Image and Sound and become

property of the Consell de Formentera, which may use them in posters and billboards, on the Internet, or any other way it deems appropriate.

History

Nineteen years of submissions have left the island's government with a valuable trove of approximately 1,200 photographs from more than 300 participants. Past submissions have come from mainland Spain and even other countries in Europe, proof of the contest's growing prominence.

Exhibition and awards ceremony

On Monday 2 May, the contest will culminate with a prize ceremony for winners and an exhibition of submissions at the Sala d'Exposicions "Ajuntament Vell". The exhibition will remain open until 14 May. Complete details, as well as terms and conditions, are available on the Consell de Formentera website.

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