

Frequently Asked Questions

We receive lots of questions from photographers interested in the Felix Schoeller Photo Award and the German Peace Prize for Photography. Here you'll find the answers to many frequently asked questions. For detailed information, please see our [Terms and Conditions of Entry](#).

1. When can I submit work for the Felix Schoeller Photo Award?

The Felix Schoeller Photo Award is held every two years. The next submission period begins on January 1, 2021 and ends on May 31, 2021.

2. How are the Felix Schoeller Photo Award and the German Peace Prize for Photography related?

The German Peace Prize for Photography is a joint initiative by the Friedensstadt Osnabrück (City of Peace) and the Felix Schoeller Group, which is based in Osnabrück. The German Peace Prize for Photography is an award category in the Felix Schoeller Photo Award.

3. What are the categories for the 2021 Felix Schoeller Photo Award?

- 3.1. German Peace Prize for Photography
- 3.2. Best Work by an Emerging Photographer

4. Who is eligible to participate in the competition?

Only professional photographers and filmmakers are eligible for the category 3.1. (German Peace Prize for Photography). The category 3.2. (Best Work by an Emerging Photographer) is designed for photography or film students (or art or design students with a focus on photography). In addition, those in training to become photographers and assistants to professional photographers are also eligible for entry. (You can find more details in the [Terms and Conditions of Entry](#).)

5. Who evaluates the pieces submitted and how does the jury work?

Two independent juries of experts will select the winners from the entries submitted. The juries combine expertise from the world of photography, photojournalism, museums/galleries, contemporary art and academia. Jury 01 will judge the category 3.2. (Best Work by an Emerging Photographer). The German Peace Prize for Photography has its own jury. This jury consists of the jury members from jury 01. In addition, the Friedensstadt Osnabrück (City of Peace) will nominate one further juror from the area of peace studies.

Only the written concepts and submitted photographs will be presented to the two juries. The names and origins of those submitting pieces are not revealed to the juries. The juries work on a fully independent basis. The Felix Schoeller Group will not be represented on the juries.

6. What prizes are awarded?

All shortlisted pieces will be published on the award's website.

All nominated pieces (the five finalists for each category) will be published on the award's website, including a description of the concept and the photographer's résumé. In addition, nominees' pieces will

be on display in the premium Winners & Nominees exhibition in the City of Osnabrück's Museum Quarter for several months. Nominated photographers will be invited to be part of the online awards ceremony. The nominees will be connected online and get informed live who the prizewinner is.

The winner of the German Peace Prize for Photography will receive a monetary prize of 10,000 EUR. The winner in the category Best Work by an Emerging Photographer will be honored with the Felix Schoeller Emerging Photographer Award. This prize is endowed with prize money of EUR 2,500. Nominees for the Emerging Photographer Award also receive an exclusive online session with a jury member to discuss their work (portfolio review).“

The winner's work and a selection of the nominated pieces will be published on social media and distributed to international professional media outlets for publication. A selection of the shortlisted pieces will be published on the award's Instagram account.

7. What do I submit and how does submission work?

Any piece submitted must consist of a written concept in English (max. 1,000 characters) and a series of at least three but not more than five photographs. (You can find technical details in the [Terms and Conditions of Entry](#).)

This series of photos will be uploaded online using our upload tool, which will be made available during the submission period from January 1 to May 31, 2021. We are unable to accept print submissions.

8. How many pieces can I submit?

Each participant may submit one series per category. We are unable to accept multiple series of photographs in one category.

9. What's the timeline?

- 9.1. Submission period: January 1 to May 31, 2021
- 9.2. Online adjudication and shortlist compilation: June to July 2021
- 9.3. Jury meetings, selection of nominees and winners: August to September 2021
- 9.4. Publication of the shortlist and nominees on the award website: September 2021
- 9.5. Online awards ceremony on October 2nd 2021
- 9.6. Exhibition opening 'Winners & Nominees 2021' on October 3rd
- 9.7. Winners & Nominees exhibition in the City of Osnabrück's Museum Quarter: until 2022

10. Where can I learn more?

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