

# 'Wild Glasgow' – photography competition 2016

Organised by Open Air Laboratories (OPAL Scotland) and the Glasgow Regional Outdoor and Woodland Learning group (GROWL). Celebrating the wildlife and green spaces of Glasgow.



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The '**Wild Glasgow photography competition 2016**' is a chance for all, no matter what age or previous experience, to get out, explore and celebrate the green spaces and wildlife of the Glasgow area.

You don't need an expensive camera to take part, any image capturing device will do, and if you are a category winner your image will be part of the '*Wild Glasgow*' exhibition, touring several popular Glasgow locations. Winners will also receive a goody-bag donated by the Field Studies Council (FSC) as well as a canvas print of your image and discount vouchers supplied by Jessops. Your image will also feature both on the OPAL website and within the Field Studies Council magazine.

So what are you waiting for? Deadline for entry is the **11<sup>th</sup> July 2016** so have a look at the categories and guidance on how to enter, grab a camera, and get exploring!

## Categories

The following categories are open to three separate age brackets; **11 and under, 12 - 17 and 18 and over.**

- 1. Urban wildlife:** Have you seen any interesting animals, plants or other living things in your area? Photos may depict wildlife in unlikely locations, or demonstrate how wildlife has adapted to urban environments. You might want to look at very small living things as well as those that are bigger. Remember, wildlife can be found everywhere if you look in the right places!
- 2. My favourite green space:** Where is your nearest green, natural or wild space? Is there a place you like to visit? A pond, park, garden, or woodland? Photos may depict favourite outdoor 'green' locations in Glasgow.
- 3. Mobile phone/low resolution device:** Photos taken on mobile phones or other more basic devices. Images in this category are judged on what the picture shows rather than the picture quality and could fall into any of the other three categories. Images must be 3MB or less in size.
- 4. General wildlife photography:** Other photos of nature and wildlife in the Glasgow area, which do not fit into the other categories. This could include portraits of animals/plants or macro images of wildlife.

## How to enter

Attach your jpg/s to an email and send them to [opalwildlifephotos@gmail.com](mailto:opalwildlifephotos@gmail.com)

In the 'subject' line add – **Wild Glasgow Photography Competition**

In the text box add:

- Your full name.
- Your age.
- Location of the photo.
- When the photo was taken.
- Which category is the photo being entered for?
- Description of the photo – what is the photo showing and why did you take it?



## Support for groups

OPAL Community Scientists are available to lead sessions, provide resources and offer advice.

The FSC and Jessops will be running some joint workshops for teachers and/or students before the competition deadline, focussing on wildlife, photography and camera technology. Watch out for further details on Glasgow Online and the OPAL website!

## What to enter

Photographs must be entirely original and have been taken by the person entering the image.

Please send in photos that are at least **2MB** in size (except for the mobile phone category where images can be less than 2MB) with a maximum image size of **12MB**.

Please send in photos in JPEG file format.

Only basic adjustments to images are permitted e.g. brightness, colour, saturation, contrast, sharpening. Basic cleaning and cropping is permitted but please avoid using pre-set filters, multiple image layers or the addition/removal of key elements within the image.

Anyone can enter the 'Wild Glasgow' competition but the images must have been taken in the Glasgow area.

## Winners and prizes

The photographers that enter winning images in each age group for each of the 4 categories will receive a large canvas print of their image in addition to discount vouchers supplied by Jessops. The Field Studies Council, OPAL and GROWL will donate a goody bag to each of the 12 winners and the winning photographs will complete a month long tour of the city for all to admire.



# Terms and Conditions

*\*Unless otherwise stated, the term 'organisers' refers to OPAL Scotland and the Glasgow Regional Outdoor and Woodland Learning group.*

## Competition entry

By entering the competition, you agree to the provisions of these **Terms and Conditions** and to comply fully with them.

Photos must have been taken **after 1st June 2015** and be **submitted by 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016**.

Applicants can enter a **maximum of 3 photographs in each category** giving a maximum of 12 images for every entrant. Entrants must declare their age and entries will not be accepted unless this information is provided.

The competition is **open to anyone excluding employees of OPAL UK and committee members of the Glasgow Region OWL group**, and anyone involved in running the competition or anyone closely related to them.

The competition is **free to enter**.

If you are **under the age of 18 you must have permission** to enter the Competition from your parent or guardian. By submitting an entry for the competition, your parent/carer/guardian is deemed to have given such consent and to agree to the use of the entry as described in these terms and conditions.

Photographs of **animals in a captive environment are not eligible** for entry. Entrants are responsible for respecting animal welfare and the environment and compliance with wildlife law. Guidance for nature photographers in Scotland can be found on the Scottish Natural Heritage website at [www.snh.gov.uk](http://www.snh.gov.uk).

You agree that if you enter a winning image, you will take part in and **cooperate fully with reasonable publicity** and to the use of your name and photograph in such publicity.

Photographs **must be original**. Those images suspected of copying or plagiarism will be disqualified.

Photographs can be entered by anyone but **must have been taken within the Glasgow region**. Any photos found to have been taken elsewhere will be disqualified.

If your photograph features any person or people, they should be aware that they are being photographed and **permission should be obtained from all involved** (or their parent's/guardian's permission if under 16) for their photograph to be submitted in the competition. If it is clear that the people are not aware of their picture being taken or are embarrassed in any way by any entry we receive, the Organisers reserve the right to disqualify the entry.

## Competition judging, prizes and announcement of winners

Winners of age group categories and highly commended photos will be announced **mid-July 2016**.

All entrants will be contacted to inform them of the winning and highly commended entries. Unless otherwise specified correspondence will be sent to the email address that each entry was submitted from.

A judging panel will be made up of **OPAL Scotland and Glasgow Region OWL staff** with expertise in photography and natural history. The Organisers will ensure the competition is judged anonymously.

The decision of the Organisers on all matters relating to the competition is final, and no correspondence will be entered into concerning the competition's judging and organisation.

OPAL Scotland reserves the right to substitute prizes. No alternative, cash or otherwise, will be given for any prizes.

## Copyright Usage Rights

You must be the **sole author and owner of the copyright for all images entered**. You will retain copyright of your entries at all times and always be credited alongside your picture.

By entering your images into the competition, you grant free permission to OPAL Scotland, [OPAL Partners](#) and Glasgow Regional Outdoor and Woodland Learning for a non-exclusive license to reproduce, enlarge, publish or exhibit, on any media, the images for the following purposes:

- Display of winning and highly commended entries at an exhibition held at locations throughout Glasgow during July/August 2016 (locations tbc).
- Inclusion of winning and highly commended photographs on the OPAL website and GROWL social media accounts including twitter and facebook. Photographers will be credited alongside their work.

Usage for winning photographs will be limited to 2 years after the winners are announced. Your photographs will be saved by the organisers for the period of judging but all unsuccessful entries will be deleted by the end of December 2016 unless additional permission is granted by the photographer to keep the images beyond this time. Please note that entrants may be asked whether they are happy for their images to be used by OPAL Partners and GROWL to promote wildlife found in the region. It will be entirely at your discretion whether you grant this permission for non-exclusive use of your photo for these purposes not detailed above.

The information you provide will be collected and stored by OPAL Scotland, and processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. We will only use your information for the purposes of administration of the Competition (including publishing your name and region if you are the winner) and any other purposes to which you have consented. We will not pass your details on to any third party.

## **Indemnity and Limitation of Liability**

To the maximum extent permitted by law, OPAL Scotland and GROWL excludes its liability for any loss, damage, injury, cost or expense suffered by you, whether directly or indirectly and howsoever caused, in connection with the competition and use of any prize. Nothing in these Terms and Conditions shall exclude the Organisers' liability for death or personal injury arising from the Organisers' own negligence or any other liability that cannot, as a matter of law, be excluded.

You agree to indemnify the Organisers and keep the Organisers indemnified against any loss, damage, injury, cost or expense suffered by the Organisers as a result of your entry in the Competition, including (but not limited to) any claim of infringement of intellectual property rights made by any third party.

The Organisers reserve the right to modify these Terms and Conditions at any time through the [OPAL website](#) without giving notice.