

The President and members of the Executive Committee of the PAGB hope that you will all have a Very Happy Christmas and that you will enjoy a Healthy, Prosperous and Photographically Rich New Year.

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AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT

The complete list of successful applicants at the recent Adjudication in Watford, with lots of fabulous photographs with TWO MPAGB!



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AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT

Adjudication held at Watford 23rd & 24th November 2019

58 applications were adjudicated at CPAGB PRINT level, and 28 were successful			
John Bull	Oxford PS	CACC	
Paul Michael Burwood	Field End PS	CACC	
Michelle Cirkel	Watford CC	CACC	
Ken Law	Amersham PS	CACC	
Brian Ridgley	Amersham PS	CACC	
Alan Sturges	Amersham PS	CACC	
Sarah Walker	Watford CC	CACC	
Richard Wilson	Watford CC	CACC	
Alan Linsdell	Melbourn & District PC	EAF	
David Godfrey	Tonbridge CC	КСРА	
Andy Linden	Aperture Woolwich PS	КСРА	
Shane Stanbridge	Hastings & Ore PC	КСРА	
Geoffrey Kennedy	Chorley PS	L&CPU	
John King	South Manchester CC	L&CPU	
Gordon Watson	Lytham St Annes PS	L&CPU	
James Ballantyne	Northampton CC	MCPF	
Peter Herreaman	Smethwick PS	MCPF	
Anthony Hutton	Northampton CC	MCPF	
Roger Kidd	Eastwood PS	N&EMPF	
Andrew Kitchen	Grantham & District CC	N&EMPF	
Angela Plumb	Newark & District PS	N&EMPF	
Allan Wild	Melton Mowbray PS	N&EMPF	
Patricia Roberts	Moray CC	SPF	
Susan Elizabeth Veal	Fordingbridge CC	SCPF	
Geoff Botwood	Torbay PS	WCPF	
Yealand Kalfayan	North West Bristol CC	WCPF	
Linda Jackson	Sheffield PS	YPU	
John Scholey	Sheffield PS	YPU	
23 applications were adjudicated at CPAGB PDI level, and 12 were successful			

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Linda Gould	Amersham PS CACC	
Steven Meekins	Watford CC CAC	
Elaine Rushton	Watford CC	CACC
Wayne Davey	Lowestoft PC	EAF
Robert Howarth	Lowestoft PC	EAF
Tony Williams	Kings Lynn & District CC	EAF
Tony North	South Manchester CC	L&CPU
Andrew Udall	Wrekin Arts PC	MCPF
Lee Dixon	Cleethorpes CC	N&EMPF
Matt Morrow	Mold CC	NWPA
Graham Clark	Moray CC	SPF
Maggie White	Beaulieu Camera Group	SCPF

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40 applications were adjudicated at **DPAGB PRINT** level, and 26 were successful

Nigel Cox	Amersham PS	CACC
Felicity Holden	Amersham PS	CACC
Lloyd Moore	Watford CC	CACC
Martin Pattern	Watford CC	CACC
Colin Bradshaw	Photographic Imaging Co-operative	EAF
Michael Foster	Photographic Imaging Co-operative	EAF
Paul Giles	Photographic Imaging Co-operative	EAF
Nigel Griffiths	Photographic Imaging Co-operative	EAF
Andy Gutteridge	Photographic Imaging Co-operative	EAF
Robert Norris	Ware & District PS	EAF
Sue Critchlow	Southport PS	L&CPU
Barry Dickinson	Chorley PS	L&CPU
Christine Dickinson	Chorley PS	L&CPU
Carol Watson	Lytham St Annes PS	L&CPU
Linda Trow-Poole	Arden Photo Group	MCPF
Cyril Boyd	Catchlight CC	NIPA
Laurie Campbell	Catchlight CC	NIPA
Sheona Elliott	Bon Accord CC	SPF
David Mair	Bon Accord CC	SPF
Peter Anthony Merrick	Steyning CC	SCPF
Jim Munday	Yateley CC	SCPF
Charles Kidd	Tenby & District CC	WPF
Gillian Mackay	Tenby & District CC	WPF
Paul Lawrence Carter	Wellington & District CC WC	
Rachel Jean Carter	Wellington & District CC WCF	
Stephen Jones	Dorchester CC	WCPF

9 applications were adjudicated at DPAGB PDI level, and 7 were successful

Peter Milsom	Ware & District PS EAF	
Caroline Tillett	Wayland & District PC	EAF
Philip Durkin	Bolton CC	L&CPU
Janice Clark	Cheltenham CC	MCPF
Aleks Gjika	Cheltenham CC	MCPF
George Robertson	Milngavie & Bearsden CC SPF	
Graham Pears	Bristol PS	WCPF

5 applications were adjudicated at MPAGB PRINT level, and 2 were successful

Julia Wainwright	Harrow CC	CACC
Lesley Simpson	Dingwall CC	SPF



Lots of pictures from successful entrants in this, and later, issues

The GB Cup 2020 is OPEN until 20 January 2020



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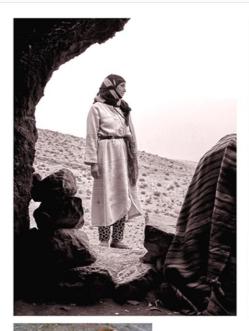
For the Full Rules, Explanatory Notes and Entry Form visit http://www.thepagb.org.uk/competitions/great-british-cup

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LESLEY SIMPSON MPAGB

My interest in photography started when I was a teenager and increased when we moved to the Highlands. I joined Inverness C.C., and later Dingwall C.C., where I found club competitions and the comments of judges a great help in improving my photography.

My main interest has been in photographing plants and insects and I became fascinated by macro photography and the amount of detail that was revealed in close up. The variety of insects increases in warmer climates, further south than Scotland, so many of my photographs are taken when on holiday in Europe - mainly in France. We spend all our time when on holiday searching for, observing and photographing insects. Over the years we have visited some areas many times and have got to know them well. Knowing the behaviour of the subject makes it easier to find and photograph them.

Unfortunately, I have found in recent years that there has been a considerable decrease in both the numbers and diversity of the insects we have been finding.

I enjoy the challenge of photographing other nature subjects but insects provide the core of my work.

I have tried to improve my work in a variety of ways. As well as entering club competitions, I decided to work for an RPS distinction, and I gained an Associateship with a panel of orchids and insects. Dingwall C.C. ran a national exhibition, and this led me into entering national and international exhibitions, with acceptance levels providing feedback on my progress.

I began as a slide worker but digital photography intervened, and I eventually decided I would like to improve my printing. I felt that the PAGB awards would help me to do this.

The SPF run workshops for prospective entrants, to which you can take your PDI or prints for comment from some of the best photographers in Scotland. I found this most helpful and gained the DPAGB award in late 2016. Since then I have been working towards my MPAGB award and I am most grateful to all those who have given me advice over the last 5 years.



Lesley Simpson MPAGB_Dragonfly at Moment of Emergence

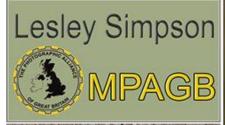


Lesley Simpson MPAGB_Mating European Praying Mantis





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esley Simpson MPAGB_Mating Silver-studded Blues



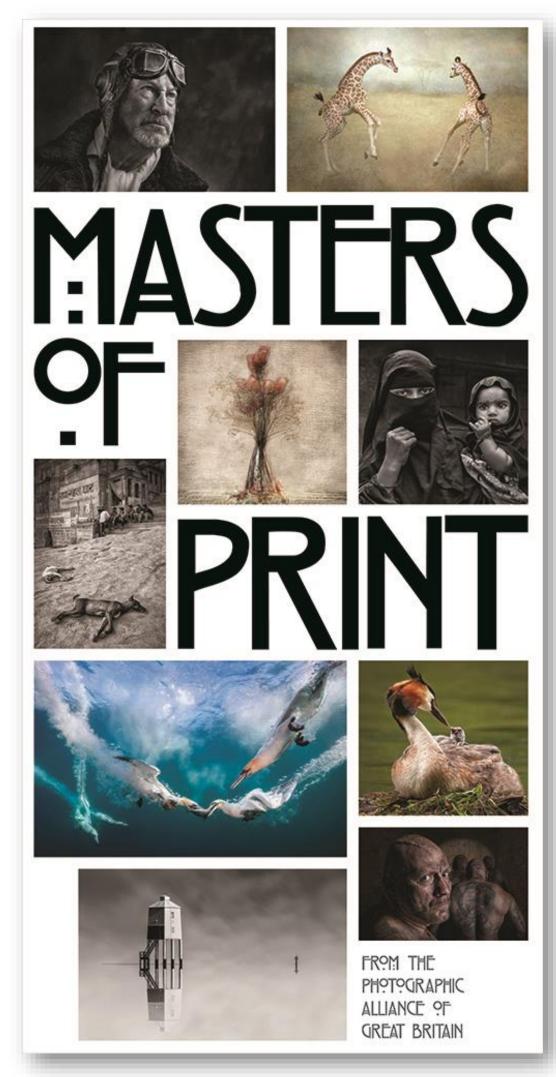
Lesley Simpson MPAGE_Mating Robber Flies



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JULIA WAINWRIGHT MPAGB

The road to my MPAGB – more about the journey than the destination

In 2010, with early retirement approaching, someone asked what I planned to do with my time. My response of 'take up photography' was surprising, even to me! Shortly afterwards I purchased a DSLR, joined Harrow Camera Club and began building my skills, aided by courses, photographic holidays and competitions. My leaving gift of an experience voucher was invested in a Wildlife photography day. Regular photography outings to nature reserves followed and, as I enjoy travelling, camera gear soon became an essential part of my luggage.

When a Waxwing image gained me my first PAGB medal in 2013, the photography bug really began to bite. Over the next two years I achieved my LRPS and ARPS and my images were being selected for interclub competitions, with some gaining recognition in regional federation competitions. A few wins and shortlisted images in national and international competitions followed and, in 2017, I was awarded my DPAGB.

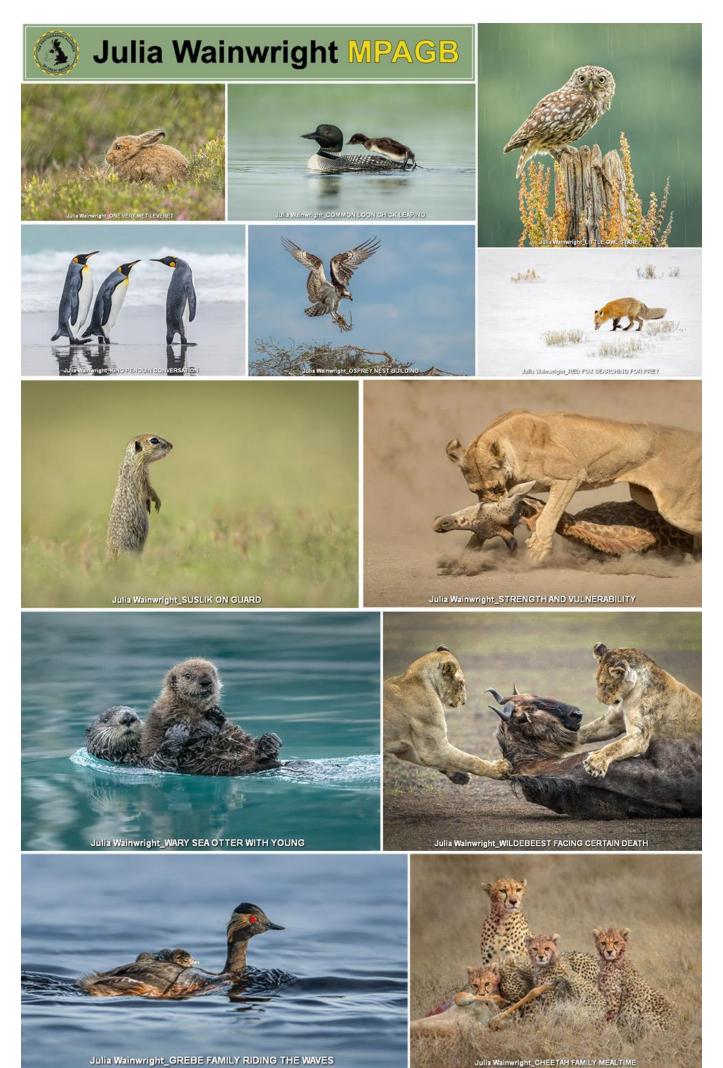
When my Bald Eagle image was accepted into the 2018 Masters of Print, I was motivated to apply for my MPAGB, but I soon began to wonder if I had overstretched myself. At the Photography Show I enquired at the PAGB stand about mentors and, with a mentor duly assigned, I began building my shortlist of images, seeking input from many others along the way.

My post-processing required a rethink. It was light touch and aligned with the rules for wildlife photography, rules which do not apply in the Awards for Photographic Merit. Distracting elements, deemed acceptable in wildlife competitions, had no place in an MPAGB submission and a steep Photoshop learning curve ensued.

Printing and mounting also required a new approach. Until then my home printing was on standard photographic papers with one colour choice of mount. It was clear that print quality and mount selection were also going to be important. I experimented with papers from various manufacturers, reprofiled my monitor, installed custom paper profiles and saw my print quality improve. Permajet papers were chosen, Gold Silk for the majority of prints, Portrait White for those with snow and Titanium Lustre for images with water.

My thought process was endorsed when my Sea Otter image was selected for the 2019 Masters of Print and thus my MPAGB submission was finalised.

The rest, as they say, is history. A lot of work, many new things learned but an immensely satisfying outcome.



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Julia Walnwright_COYOTE IN THE SNOW



It has been suggested to me, more than once, that only Nature is successful at DPAGB and MPAGB level and that other genre, such as Landscape,

as Landscape, are now "out of favour" with our Adjudicators. A few years ago it was "creative" which I was told was the only genre to succeed. That was also incorrect.

Whilst it is true that there have been quite a few successes at all three levels in Nature, the simple explanation is that more than half the entries we have received in the last few years, sometimes as much as 60%, have been in this genre.

As you can see, two nature entries achieved MPAGB this time but 58 of the 100 photos entered at this level were Nature. Not all scored highly but the best ones did.

It is true that Landscapes have not always scored as well at the higher levels but this is because a great many of the "landscapes" we receive are really only pretty views and fail to reflect the drama of light and weather required for a true landscape. Many Landscape entrants have been successful right up to MPAGB.

I have attended every Adjudication bar one and have chaired the last 51. It is the job of my team and I to ensure the fairness and consistency of the Awards and, with our immediate Review process, I am convinced that no-one has ever failed who should have passed.

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FIAP Entry Selections 2020 Nature Biennial

















Every year the FIAP hold a number of Prestigious Biennial Competitions for it's member countries. The PAGB makes an entry on behalf of 'Great Britain and Northern Ireland'.

This year we would like to invite you to take part in this selection process for the FIAP Nature Biennial by submitting up to 12 nature images across the following three categories;

- a. Birds
- b. Mammals
- c. Reptiles and Insects

Your entries would need to strictly comply with the FIAP nature definition and not have been used in a previous biennial competition entry.

The FIAP Competition has both Print and Digital Sections, so following a successful selection, you would be asked to provide a high resolution version (if selected for the Print entry).

30 Images will be selected in total and all images scoring more than 8 points in the actual FIAP Biennial can be used a part of a FIAP Distinction Application. Online Entry Opens: 1st November 2019 Closes: 31st January 2020 Selected: 1st February 2020 https://pagbhost.co.uk

Images should be saved in jpeg srgb format and 2600 pixels on their longest side before uploading to the Competition Entry System.

All submitted images will be scored and the higher scoring images along with the selected images will be included on a Digital Slideshow available from the PAGB Recorded Lecture Service.

A unique limited edition PAGB Enamel Badge will be given to all authors selected to represent 'Great Britain and Northern Ireland' in the FIAP Biennial Competition.



Please Note. Authors from clubs in the Scottish and South Wales Federations are not eligible, as their Federation makes a separate entry.

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Paul's distinctive landscape images focus on pattern, structure, texture, and the oftenoverlooked detail found in nature. He shares his photographic vision through a series of residential workshops and has held four solo



exhibitions of his intimate landscape work. He holds two RPS Fellowships and served on the RPS distinctions panels for many years. Since 2007, he has organised the programme of speakers for this Seminar.

LEIGH PRESTON

Chairman of Arena for a total of 12 years, Leigh has devoted much of his life to photography – organising, teaching, mentoring and leading workshops. A master printer, his own work is epitomised by images of gritty industrial areas and dramatic



wilderness landscapes. This work has been the subject of two books, 'Shadows of Change' and 'Five Essays'. A double Fellow of the RPS, he also served on the distinctions panels for many years.

CHLOE DEWE MATHEWS

Since graduating in Fine Art from Oxford University, Chloe has dedicated herself to ambitious and long-term documentary projects covering a diverse range of subject matter. As well as solo exhibitions at Tate Modern and the British Library, her projects have been exhibited in several



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major international cities. Her most recent book 'Caspian: The Element' records her journey around the Caspian Sea and its neighbouring countries.

TIM SMITH

A freelance documentary photographer and writer, Tim is a member of Panos Pictures, the London-based photo agency that represents photojournalists worldwide. Covering northern England for The Observer



O Tim Smith

throughout the 1990s, he has for the past 20 years concentrated on self-initiated long term projects and commissions. This has led to the publication of twelve books and many exhibitions across the UK and internationally.

STEVE BLOOM

Steve swapped his successful career in the graphic arts industry to become an international travelling photographer in the early 90s. Having been brought up in South Africa much of his award winning work concentrates on the cultures, colours and



Aerid view of zebra herd running through swamp, Okavango Delta, Botswana © Steve Bloom /SteveBloom.com

wildlife of the African continent. He is a prolific author and exhibitor, and one of many highlights has been his major outdoor exhibition 'Spirit of the Wild', seen in eleven European cities by over 1.4 million visitors.

DAVID GIBSON

A street photographer for over 30 years, David is a founder member of In-Public, the international collective of street photographers. His work is published and exhibited widely and he is commissioned by some of the



UK's leading design groups. Additionally, he is a teacher and writer on photography and his books include best selling 'The Street Photographer's Manual', published by Thames and Hudson.

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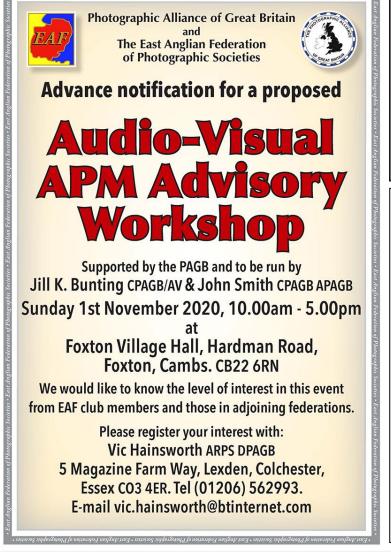
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