WIRES 2021 Wildlife Photo Competition - Terms and Conditions

This document sets out the terms of participation in WIRES 2021 Wildlife Photo Competition. The promoter of this competition is WIRES, ABN 30 768 872 928, PO Box 7276, Warringah Mall, NSW 2100.

Entry to the competition is open to Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia, including WIRES volunteers/members. An entrant must be an individual and not a company or organisation. Employees of WIRES or any person associated with the competition, or any organisation or individual associated with the provision of the prize(s) are not eligible to enter.

Each entry must be entered in accordance with these Terms and Conditions. By entering the Competition, each entrant agrees to be bound by these Terms and Conditions. WIRES may in its discretion refuse to award any prize to any entrant who fails to comply with these Terms and Conditions. All relevant instructions on WIRES Facebook, Instagram or website pages form part of these Terms and Conditions.

The competition period opens at 10 am on Tuesday 31st August 2021 and closes at 10 pm AEST on Sunday the 26th of September 2021. Top 20 finalists will be shortlisted by the WIRES team and from this top 20, images will be selected for the 2022 WIRES Wildlife Calendar. 2-4 Images will be put in a "People's choice" folder on Facebook, letting you vote for your favourite option to be the cover images of the 2022 Calendar. Public voting will be done by number of "reactions" to each photo and will be open from Monday 4th October through to 12 noon AEST on Friday the 8th of October. Winner will be announced Monday the 11th of October.

How to Enter

Images must be in landscape format and 1080 x 566 pixels. Shortlisted finalists will need to submit the image in .TIF .JPEG .JPG. Raw images will not be accepted.

Any entry received after the expiry of the competition period will be deemed invalid. No responsibility is accepted for late, lost, delayed or misdirected entries. To enter the competition, you must:

1. Submit a digital image of a native Australian animal Your images should be a landscape image of native Australian wildlife in either their natural habitat or, if rescued animals in care they should be pictured in an appropriate licensed wildlife care environment. Images of wildlife in care will need to meet the protocol of WIRES rescue and care guidelines.

Images submitted do not reflect the practices and policies of WIRES.

2. Entries must be posted on Instagram by a public profile using the #WIRESPhotoComp hashtag. In the event a photographer does not have Instagram, entries may be sent by Private Message to the WIRES Facebook page inbox. Your photograph/s (a maximum of four (4) entries per person) must be posted/sent within the competition period. If you do not have a Facebook or Instagram account

entries can be submitted by email to <u>contactus@wires.org.au</u> with "Photo Competition 2021 Entry" in the subject line. Shortlisted finalists will be contacted directly by DM to request your email address, full name and social media handles.

3. Submissions should ideally be free of watermarks. If watermarks are used, they should be inconspicuous enough to not interfere with the judging of the photo. Watermarked photo's might not be honoured by the competition (at the judges' sole discretion) if the photographer is unable or unavailable to provide a pristine, watermark-free version of the image when asked.

4. By submitting a photo and taking part in the competition, each entrant agrees that (1) the photo/s they have submitted may be published within 12 months free of charge, by WIRES in newsletters, calendar, media releases, online and printed publications and (2) the Photo is the entrant's original work and does not infringe the intellectual property rights of any other person or entity. Finalists will be credited as the photographer.

5. Ongoing rights usage of photos may be agreed upon in a case-by-case basis between photographers and WIRES.

6 . A maximum of 50% of the finalists can be selected from photos taken by WIRES volunteers. The finalists will be chosen by a WIRES panel on the basis of the photos that best represent native wildlife in their natural environment in the wild and/or in care.

7. 2-4 selected images will be posted on the WIRES Facebook page and the winning entry will be the finalist image gaining the most reactions from the WIRES Facebook community before the voting deadline.

The prize winners, chosen by Facebook reactions and by the WIRES team, will receive the below:

Prizes this year have been very generously donated by Australian artist <u>Brentos</u> and <u>Mulbury</u> Australia's No.1 Sustainable Picture Framers.

https://www.brentos.com.au/collections/fine-art-prints/products/hope-art-print

https://www.mulbury.com.au/collections/frames/products/slim-natural

Selected Images

Photographers of all 12 images selected for the WIRES Wildlife 2022 Calendar will receive three complimentary copies of the calendar and an A3 signed Brentos "Hope" Print.

People's choice award

First prize for "people's choice award" includes an A3 Brentos "Hope" Print framed in a slim natural Mulbury recycled Australian Hardwood frame and complimentary copies of the WIRES 2022 Wildlife Calendar

Voting opens 4/10/2021

WIRES accept no responsibility for any variation in prize value.

No component of the prizes can be transferred or redeemed for cash. If the prizes become unavailable due to circumstances beyond WIRES control, WIRES reserves the right to provide a similar product to the same or similar value as the original prizes, subject to any applicable laws or written directions made under applicable legislation.

By entering you acknowledge that WIRES is under no obligation to exercise any of the rights granted to it by these term and conditions.

Decisions of WIRES in relation to judging are final and will be binding on each person who enters the competition. The name of the "people's choice award" prize winner will be announced via a post on the WIRES Facebook page on Monday the 11th of October. All finalists will be contacted by email where a valid email is provided.

In the event a prize winner is unable to be contacted, WIRES will retain the prize for three months from the date of the completion of the competition. If any prize is not claimed within three (3) months of the date of the decision, WIRES may determine another winner for the unclaimed prize.

If there is any event that prevents or hinders WIRES conduct of the competition or WIRES ability to deliver the prizes to the prize winners, WIRES may, in its discretion, cancel the competition and recommence it at another time under the same conditions or select another winner.

WIRES is not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate information, or for any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilised in this competition, or for any technical error that may occur in the course of the administration of this competition. WIRES assumes no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction or unauthorised access to or alteration of entries.

To the full extent permitted by the law, WIRES will not be liable for any injury, damages, expenses, or loss whatsoever (whether direct or inconsequential) to persons or property as a result of any person entering into the competition or accepting or using any prize, including without limitation non-receipt of any prize or damage to any prize in transit.

Entrants' details will be stored for the purposes of the competition. By entering the competition,

entrants agree that WIRES can collect, save and process personal data provided for the competition and use the details to contact entrants.