January 2024 – CAPA's Eligibility Criteria

Suggestions received:

- Current individual CAPA member survey (478 responses received):
- Past individual CAPA member survey (138 responses received):
- Current CAPA Camera Club survey (48 responses received):
- Past CAPA Camera Club survey (8 responses received):
 - A. Acceptance of Smartphone Photographs
 - B. Acceptance of Triptychs on a prescribed subject
 - C. Acceptance of Multi-media Entries With Photo Images As Base, Embellished by Scanography
 - D. Acceptance of Non-standard Techniques Like Solarization

Response: Thanks for these suggestions, and we appreciate the opportunity to address each which are included in my responses below:

A. Acceptance of Smartphone Photographs

Our CAPA Eligibility Criteria states: "A photographic image, for the purpose of our competitions is defined "as a captured image on light-sensitive device/surface (e.g. photogram technique, film digital camera, scanned, smartphone, tablet, etc...) and recorded on paper, film or in a digital format." Therefore, a smartphone and tablet images can be submitted in all our CAPA competitions.

B. Acceptance of Triptychs on a prescribed subject

We have accepted these images in past competitions. Triptychs images would not be permitted in a restricted editing competition such as a nature/wildlife, minimal manipulation and photojournalism.

As such, I will be updating the **Editing Criteria for our 2024 Nature/Wildlife competition** to state "Triptychs (an image of three 3 separate images contained in a single image) are not permitted in this competition."

C. Acceptance of Multi-media Entries With Photo Images As Base, Embellished by Scanography The multi-media entries are permitted in our Audio Visual Presentation competition with some limitations.

Scanned images fall within the CAPA Eligibility Criteria definition of a photographic image as noted above.

D. Acceptance of Non-standard Techniques Like Solarization

Solarization falls within the definition of photograph as outlined in the CAPA Eligibility Criteria which states:

For the purposes of our competitions, a photographic image is defined "as being a captured image on a light-sensitive device (e.g. film camera, digital camera, smartphone, tablet, etc...) and recorded on film or in a digital format."