

IAAF Photo Award

The IAAF will present an award to the best athletics photograph of the year 2018 as part of the IAAF Athletics Awards night on Tuesday 4 December.

There will be two categories for the IAAF Photo Award: Professionals & Fans

Professional Photographer Award

- i. Any professional photographer who has been officially accredited as PHOTOGRAPHER at any athletics event in 2018 can take part in the competition. Events include but are not restricted to IAAF World Athletics Series, IAAF Diamond League meetings, Area Championships, Area meetings, National championships, Gold, Silver and Bronze label road races, Race Walk, Combined and Hammer Throw challenges etc...
- ii. All photographers who have been accredited at an IAAF World Athletics Series event will receive an email to inform them of the competition. Any other photographer who does not belong to the WAS database, but wishes to participate can do so even if he/she does not receive the above mentioned email.
- iii. All photographers are requested to submit 1 (ONE) photograph by email to iaafphotoaward@iaaf.org. Submissions shall include a CAPTION, the DATE when the photograph was taken and the technical information of the selected image. Photographers shall provide the original image (including images prior and following) to prove authenticity. The image shall be no larger than 5MB
- iv. Submissions shall be received by Wednesday 31 October midday MONACO time and shall include all of the required details.
- v. By entering a photo in the competition, the photographer releases all the rights of the said photograph to the IAAF and its usage on its platforms such as website, social media and printed material. Rights shall not be passed to any third party.
- vi. A panel of experts shall judge and select the top 25 entries. The selected 25 images will be part of a photo exhibition which will be on show at the IAAF Athletics Awards between 1 and 5 December in Monaco.
- vii. The panel of experts will also determine the top THREE images from the 25 shortlisted. The authors of the top THREE images shall be informed of their selection by 15 November and shall be invited to the IAAF Athletics Awards in Monaco on 4 December 2018. The invitation will comprise economy class airfare for two; 2 nights B&B stay at the Meridien Beach Plaza hotel, Monaco and 2 tickets for the IAAF Athletics Awards show at the Grimaldi Forum.
- viii. The winner of the IAAF Photo Award shall be announced live on stage at the IAAF Athletics Awards on 4 December 2018.
- ix. The finalists and winner of the IAAF Photo Award will be permitted to communicate their selection/win on social media only AFTER the announcements have been made officially by the IAAF on one of its official channels.
- x. The finalists of the IAAF Photo Award shall serve as experts' panel to determine the winner of the IAAF Photo Award for Amateurs.

Fan Photographer Award

- i. Any physical person who would like to take part in the IAAF Photo Award for Amateurs shall be able to do so via social media.
- ii. Professional photographers are excluded but are invited to take part in the aforementioned Professionals' competition
- iii. Only 1 (ONE) image per entrant shall be accepted.
- iv. Participants will be asked to submit their image via Twitter.com by referring to the hashtag #IAAFPhotoOfTheYear
- v. Entries shall be submitted between 1 and 30 November 2018.
- vi. All entries who have correctly been referenced to the competition's hashtag shall be retweeted by the IAAF official channels. They will also be posted on the IAAF Facebook and Instagram pages.
- vii. All entries shall be judged by the THREE finalists of the professionals' photo contest in Monaco on 3-4 December 2018.
- viii. The winner of the IAAF Photo Award for Amateurs shall be announced on 10 December 2018 via the IAAF official channels – website and social.
- ix. The prize shall consist in an invitation to one IAAF Diamond League meeting of the winner's choice which includes economy class tickets for 2 (TWO), 2 nights' accommodation B&B and tickets to the event.