

**Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2013**

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*On loan from the Natural History Museum, London*

A colour- and light-filled indoor nature experience opens this fall at the Royal BC Museum, just in time for the dark days of winter ahead. *Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2013* displays the winners of this year's edition of the world's leading nature photography competition organized by the Natural History Museum, London and BBC Worldwide.

Selected from more than 43,000 entries from 96 countries across the globe; these images were judged to be the best by a panel that included some of the world's most respected nature photographers and wildlife experts.

Competition entries come from gifted amateurs, professionals and young photographers. They celebrate the beauty and magnificence of the world in which we live, as well as acting as a stark reminder of the fragility of nature.

The striking exhibition features 100 large-scale, back-lit photographs in 19 categories, including Young Wildlife Photographer of the Year, Gerald Durrell Award for Endangered Wildlife, World in Our Hands and the Wildlife Photojournalist of the Year Award.

Each photo includes the photographer's story, sharing both why and how they captured the perfect shot of our fascinating natural world. Technical details: aperture, speed, camera and lens information are also provided, for those interested in technique.

Want to know more about nature and photography? The Royal BC Museum will feature a full schedule of photography-themed events, activities and presentations through the run of the exhibition.

Now in its 49<sup>th</sup> year, the annual *Wildlife Photographer of the Year* competition is run by the Natural History Museum, London, and BBC Worldwide.

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