

# Winners announced for Digital Photographer of the Year 2009

## Imagine's prestigious photography competition celebrates in style

The Digital Photographer of the Year Awards 2009 came to a close today with the release of the winning images supplement, available via download from the popular **DPhotographer.co.uk** website.

Encompassing eight genres of photography, the awards aimed to showcase the high standards achieved by many enthusiasts and semi-professional photographers. Over the previous six months the judges received thousands of entries.

Debbi Allen, Editor in Chief of Imagine's photographic portfolio said: "Judging the *Digital Photographer* of the Year Awards was a rewarding experience and, for me, 2009 saw an increase in both numbers and the sheer quality of entries, making the final decision a very difficult task. However, it's a pleasure to see how talented, creative and ambitious *Digital Photographer* readers are, and be able to help propel their talents and photographic careers forward. All the winners have produced stunning photos, of which they should be extremely proud."



Supported by Park Cameras, the awards sought to find hidden talent and expose it to the world. Mark Robinson, Park Camera's Marketing Manager and DPOTY '09 judge, said: "Park Cameras is delighted to be sponsoring The Digital Photographer of the Year 2009, which has once again showcased the depth of talent and inspiration that continues to drive photo enthusiasts. Such values are shared in equal measure by Park Cameras and *Digital Photographer*, which is why we are delighted to continue to build upon the extremely successful relationship that we have with the publication."

The award winner's eSupplement, available for download from **DPhotographer.co.uk/dpoty2009**, went live on 15 January 2010, and showcased the winning entries in all of the categories. The launch of the eSupplement coincides with the exclusive winners' exhibition, held at the New Forest Gallery, Lyndhurst, throughout January and February, where the winning images will be on show to the public.

2009 saw *Digital Photographer's* online home, **DPhotographer.co.uk**, reach a landmark 100,000 user-uploaded images, proving itself as one of Imagine's most successful websites.

The award winners are listed below in full:

**Debbi Allen**  
Editor in Chief

**2009 Winners**

Alex James - Overall Digital Photographer of the Year  
Alicia Calton – Student Digital Photographer of the Year  
Louis Neville - Landscape Digital Photographer of the Year  
Grace Lucas - Portrait Digital Photographer of the Year  
Yaman Ibrahim – Wedding Digital Photographer of the Year  
Dan Deakin – Black & White Digital Photographer of the Year  
Peter Ansara - Wildlife Digital Photographer of the Year  
Marc Briggs – Urban Digital Photographer of the Year  
Thamer Al-Tassan – Sports Digital Photographer of the Year  
John Kimbler – Macro Digital Photographer of the Year

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