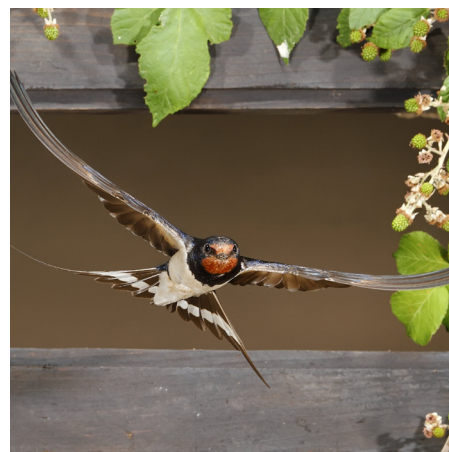




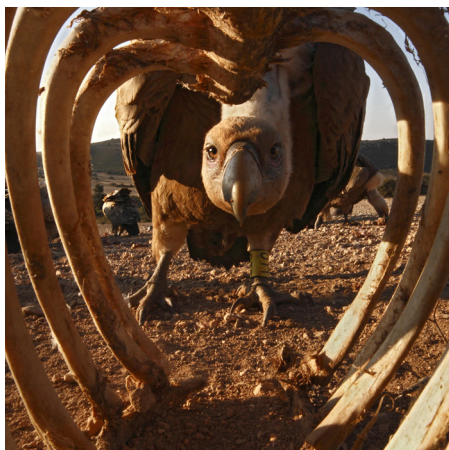
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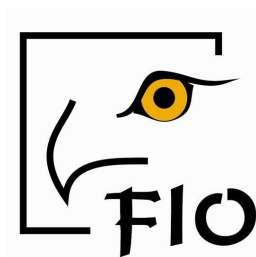
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Extremadura Birdwatching Fair (FIO)

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BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST RULES

For the VIII edition of FIO: Extremadura Birdwatching Fair, the Regional Department of Tourism is organizing the 8th edition of the Bird Photography Contest 2013.

1. PARTICIPANTS:

Any amateur or professional photographer can enter the contest. They must be the authors of the works submitted and hold the respective rights over them, with no restrictions being imposed by any agency or company.

2. SUBJECT MATTER:

The subject matter of the competition will be BIRDS IN SPAIN. The photographs must have been taken in Spain. During the evaluation process, special emphasis will be placed on the originality of the images, scenes that show the bird's behavior, or the technical difficulty level to capture the image.

3. NUMBER:

A maximum of two photographs are allowed per participant.

4. FORMAT:

The photographs will be submitted in JPEG format with a minimum resolution of 5 megapixels. Photographs that have been digitally enhanced, use color manipulation, cloning, photo montages, or any other techniques that alter the photo from its natural state will not be accepted. Adjustments used in normal film developing will be accepted. The RAW image of the winning photos will be requested, and failure to submit them within the established term will lead to disqualification.

5. HOW TO ENTER:

Participants should send the photographs by e-mail to the following address: **concurso@fioextremadura.com**

In addition to the photographs, each participant should include a document with the following information:

- Full name
- Address
- Telephone
- E-mail address
- Title of Photo 1
- Title of Photo 2
- A brief description of the technique used to capture each photograph and other details that may be interesting for the contest jury (optional).

The name of the JPEG file must be the same as the title of the photograph and cannot include any reference to the author. Ex: Flock of Starlings.jpg

A return receipt will be sent when your e-mail has been received.

Once all the photographs have been received, they will be given to the jury keeping the authors anonymous.

6. DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING ENTRIES:

The photos will be submitted no later than 23:00h on February 17th, 2013.

7. ETHICAL CODE:

Only images of wild animals will be accepted. No photographs of nests, chicks or other photos will be accepted if, in the jury's opinion, such photos may have put the safety of the photographed bird or its environment at risk. To ensure effective nature conservation, the ethical code of the Spanish Nature Photography Association (AEFONA) will be used, to guarantee that both amateur and professional photographers respect nature. This code can be found at the following address: <http://www.aefona.org>.

8. WORKS:

The photographs submitted must not have received prizes in other competitions. Those that have been published in magazines (printed or digital format) or on professional photography websites accessible to the public will also be disqualified (webs, blogs and social networks of personal use are allowed).

9. OWNERSHIP:

The author of the winning photographs will retain the copyright of their work. The winners are required to give the Regional Government of Extremadura a copy in RAW format of the photograph for them to make unrestricted use of in nonprofit promotional activities such as informative brochures, posters, calendars, catalogues, exhibitions however they will not be given to third parties. This use does not imply additional payment. When used, the name of the photographer will appear next to the photo or in the annex.

10. JURY:

The jury will be formed of the following people: two representatives from professional photographer associations and groups or professional photographers, one representative from the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Environment and Energy and one representative from the Department of Development, Housing, Territorial Ordinance and Tourism. In addition, one public official from the Regional Government will be invited to form part of the jury, who will act as the jury secretary. The jury will be competent to clarify any issues not foreseen in these rules that could arise during the course of the contest.

11. EXHIBITION:

At least 50 photos will be selected from all the works presented, which will be printed out on photographic paper and exhibited during FIO: The Extremadura Birdwatching Fair. The photos selected may, with prior consent of the authors, form part of a permanent or itinerant exhibition promoting FIO: The Extremadura Birdwatching Fair. In no case will they be used for any other purpose than on the one indicated above.

12. PRIZES:

The following prizes will be awarded:

First prize: 1600 €

Second prize: 1100 €

Third prize: 700 €

Three runner-up prizes: 400 €

The prize amount will be subject to the tax withholding regulations established by law.

The same person may not be awarded more than one prize.

The prize-awarding ceremony will be held on March 2nd on the fair premises, as part of the Extremadura Birdwatching Fair FOTOFIO activities program.

All those awarded a prize must attend the prize-awarding ceremony. If they are unable to attend, the person winning the prize must designate someone to take their place and collect the prize.

13. CONDITIONS:

Participation in this photography contest entails accepting the present rules.

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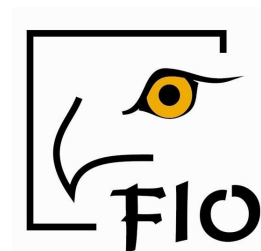
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