

2008 GRAND MARINA PHOTOGRAPHY PRIZE - 8TH EDITION

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HOTUSA invites you to participate in the 2008 Grand Marina Photography Prize. 8th Edition. The winner of the prize will be the author of the photographic triptych, which, in the judges' opinion, is the best series of photographs on the subject "Streets of Barcelona".

The history of the Barcelona can be recounted by a glance at its city streets: from the hidden alleys of the 'Barri Gòtic' (Gothic District) to the majestic avenues that enclose the 'Eixample' District, through quiet little passageways and peaceful cityscapes, to the popular Ramblas (boulevards). The images presented for the competition must capture the essence of the streets that make Barcelona such a lively city.

The 2008 Grand Marina Photography Prize. 8th Edition establishes the following awards:

- a) 1st Prize: Trophy + 3,000 €
- b) 2nd Prize: Trophy + 2,000 €

- c) 3rd Prize: Trophy + 1,500 €
- d) Seven special mentions: Trophy + 500 €

RULES

1. Contestants have to be 18 years or older, Spanish citizens or legally residing in Spain.

2. The format for entries must be that of a triptych (i.e. a series of three photographs forming a set and comprising one artistic unit), the number of entries per participant being unlimited. The prize-winning images will be dedicated to decorating guest-rooms and common areas of several of the establishments belonging to the Hotusa chain.

3. The photographs must be unpublished and not prize-winning in any other competition. Images that, in the opinion of the judges, highlight hotels that have no connection with the company promoting the awards will be rejected.

4. The photographs must be developed on photographic paper. Images on slides, laser photocopies or computer systems (CD, e-mail, etc) will not be accepted.

5. The photographs, analogical or digital, may be in colour or black and white. In addition, the two formats accepted for each series are:

- a) Square. Dimensions 30 x 30 cm.
- b) Rectangular. Dimensions: 20 x 30 cm. (Landscape format photographs only).

The photographs of the winning triptychs will be displayed separated by a margin of approximately 15 cm between them. Accordingly, the author should not conceive them to be displayed completely joined as if they were just one image.

The images that make up each triptych should have the same format and dimensions. Furthermore, the acceptance of photographs of characteristics that differ from the above shall be subject to the judges' discretion.

6. The photographs may not be presented in mounted form nor stuck onto card, but it is advisable that they be sent within rigid protective covering.

The organization accepts no liability for losses or damaged suffered during transport.

7. The panel of judges will not know the author's identity. On the reverse side of the photographs, no information will be admitted other than the order in which the photographs are to be placed (A,B,C). If the same author participates with two or more triptychs, the images of the first will be labelled 1A, 1B,1C; those of the second 2A, 2B, 2C and so on.

Details of the participant will be indicated on a separate piece of paper: full name, address, telephone number, e-mail, date the photographs were taken and, if wished, the title of the work. Upon receipt, all works will be coded to guarantee the author's identity.

The contestant allows the collection of his personal details, whose will be kept stored in a privileged file, used exclusively for the contestant's record keeping and future contests notice. The database benefits itself from technical and human preventive measures about security. Every people interested in those informations have the permission for using, in a free way, these details referred to the contestant through a registered letter with return receipt to the direction that appears behind.

8. The term in which to submit photographs will end on Friday 24th October 2008 at 19.30 p.m.

Participants should sent their entries to:

*Hotusa - Dpto. Comunicación - Ref. Premio Fotografía
C/ Princesa, 58 Pral. - 08003 Barcelona*

9. The judges' decision will be communicated personally to each of the winners (by email or post) and will be published on the Hotusa website: www.hotusahotels.com and also on the Eurostars Hotels website www.eurostarshotels.com during the month of November 2008. Following public announcement of the awards, the non prize-winning photographs will be released for collection by their authors at the Hotusa headquarters in Barcelona over a period of 60 days as from publication of the award winners. After this period, photographs that have not been collected may be destroyed.

10. In the event that they win any of the first three prizes, the participants expressly assign to Hotusa exclusive rights to turn to account the intellectual property rights of their work that are capable of being transferred, particularly the rights of reproduction, distribution, public communication and transformation throughout the world and for the maximum term allowed by the applicable legislation.

Those awarded special mentions expressly assign to Hotusa the reproduction and public communication rights of the images, authorizing the adaptation of the selected works on the basis of their negative or duplicate. They further assign on an exclusive basis the use of such work as decoration or image of the hotels owned or managed by Hotusa or by companies in which it has a holding. They also authorize the publication and diffusion of their works in different written or audiovisual media for the purpose of announcing the prize in order to promote future editions of the competition. The assignment of rights is deemed made throughout the world and for the maximum term allowed by the application legislation. All publication and circulation will include the names of the photographers.

11. It is deemed that the participants are the owners of the copyright on the photographs submitted by them to participate in the competition, that they are the authors thereof and that they have not assigned the rights thereon to third parties, particularly those indicated in rule 10.

12. The prizes shall be subject to a withholding on account of the corresponding Personal Income Tax, in accordance with the applicable legislation.

13. The judges of the eight edition of the Grand Marina Photography Prize in 2008 will be formed by distinguished photographers, teachers of photography, art critics and representatives from the media and the visual arts, the number of whom will be uneven and whose names will be made public when the prize-winners-of the competition are announced.

14. The participants acknowledge that the judges' decision is final and expressly waive any possible court or other actions.

15. Participation in the 2008 Grand Marina Photography Prize. 8th Edition implies acceptance of these rules.

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