

Sheffield Photographic Society
PERSPECTIVES 15
Exhibition in the Winter Garden
Monday 18th November – Sunday 1st December 2019

Information Sheet for Entrants

Our annual 'Perspectives' Exhibition in the Sheffield Winter Garden is an opportunity for members to show a panel of their own selection of prints to a large audience. In past years it has proved to be very popular with the public. This year the Exhibition will be on display for two weeks.

1. Signing-Up to Enter the Exhibition

This year we will have 43 boards available and a Signing-Up sheet will be put out on Tuesday 10th September 2019. Entrants may also request a board by emailing Linda up to midnight on the 10th September. If oversubscribed a draw will be made. Any member who does not get a board this year will get an automatic entry next year. When full we will keep a reserve list in case of withdrawals. Last year everyone who wanted a board had one.

There is an entry fee of £7 which will be collected on the Handing-In Nights.

Please be sure when you sign up that you will have paid your subscription for 2019-2020 before the handing in date and that you will be able to fulfil your commitment to handing in your entry on time, as late entries or withdrawals do cause problems!

2. Display Panels

This year we will be able to display a total of 43 boards made up of 25 wide boards (1m wide x 1m tall) and 18 narrow boards (75cm wide x 1m tall). One large board is reserved for Ray Brightman's images of old Sheffield.

If you would prefer a narrower panel please let us know otherwise a draw will be made.

The lower sections of the panels will be used for the authors' blurbs, pictures of old Sheffield and other information/publicity purposes.

3. Your Prints

All prints must be mounted in card mounts ready to be hung on the boards using our plastic Velcro strips. As the Exhibition is in a totally public place, it is essential that no pictures are submitted that may cause offence. The Exhibition team reserves the right to veto any image that is not considered suitable.

Once we reach the handing-in stage all entrants will be asked to draw a plan of their layout on the Board Layout Form which will accompany your entry. **Remember to include mount sizes in your**

calculations. Please number the prints on the Layout Form and also on the back of each print to ensure that your pictures are hung correctly. Also put a label in the top right-hand corner of the rear of each mount with your name, the title of the print and the number to correspond with the layout sheet.

How you decide to use your space is up to you. However, please ensure that you achieve a pleasing layout, without overcrowding the pictures on the panel – space must be left between prints and between the outer edges of the mounts and the panel edges. (Note you cannot hang two 40cm by 50 landscape pictures side by side as they would be touching on a 100cm size board.)

It is strongly recommended that you try out your layout on a table at home before submitting your layout form. Any prints that cannot be fitted on your board at setting-up will be left out.

In the Winter Garden the prints will be subjected to changes of temperature and humidity, so sometimes we have problems with warping of both pictures and mounts. Please ensure that all photographs are securely fixed in their mounts using masking tape – *check that it is not the more expensive ‘easy lift’ type as this has a limited sticking life.* **Please do not use parcel tape, as this can cause damage to both your prints and other people’s prints when they are in our print boxes.**

Please also prepare digital jpeg images of your prints at the usual 1600px by 1200px resolution. Please name the PDIs with the same name as the print and email to Linda at lindajackson1984@yahoo.co.uk or give to Linda on a CD or memory stick at handing in time. These images will go on the web site and some will be chosen for publicity.

4. Your Blurb – your chance to explain all about you and your pictures

Only the top panels of the display boards will be used for pictures. This will keep all of the exhibits at a suitable viewing height, and will ensure a consistent appearance throughout the Exhibition. At the top of the lower panel there will be a printed A4 information panel (“blurb”) giving your name, the titles of your picture(s) and a short description (150-200 words) of your selection of images, why you took them, where and so on as in the example below:

Harry Snapper FRPS, DPAGB

1. Sunrise in the Alps
2. The Matterhorn
3. Thirsty Work
4. Alpine Horns

I have been a keen photographer since 1864. Many of my holidays have been in the Alps, and I never tire of revisiting this area. Unlike many members of the Society, I prefer to use black and white film, and produce all of my prints in my darkroom at home. *And so on for 150 to 200 words.*

Please write in the first person.

We will use the text that you supply to produce your blurb, all blurbs will then be formatted to the same Word style and printed on A4 paper in landscape orientation.

Blurbs will need to be emailed to **Mike Smith** (jmkesmth@aol.com) as a **Word document**, or given to Mike **saved on a CD or memory stick** (labelled please!). Please also enclose a **typed or handwritten copy** with your pictures when handing in so that any queries on the text can be checked.

To avoid errors, it helps if block capitals are used for titles.

5. Handing in Your Prints

Handing – In nights are **Tuesday 22nd October and Tuesday 29th October 2019.**

You will need to bring:-

1. Your mounted prints
2. Your Board Layout Form
3. Your printed Blurb text
4. Your Blurb text on CD or memory stick (or emailed to Mike)
5. Your Cheque for £7 for your entry fee (Cheques should be made payable to Sheffield Photographic Society) or pay by bank transfer beforehand.

Also don't forget to email digital images of your prints to Linda at lindajackson1984@yahoo.co.uk (or give to Linda on a CD or memory stick).

6. Helpers

Volunteer helpers will be needed for:

- Setting up the Exhibition at 10:00 am on the morning of Monday 18th November 2019
- Stewarding the Exhibition in the Winter Garden during Monday 18th November to Sunday 1st December 2018

(N.B. All members are invited to steward the Exhibition but Entrants particularly are expected to play their part by doing a stewarding session).

- Taking down the Exhibition at 3:00 pm on Sunday 1st December 2019
- **Very important - drivers** with vehicles large enough to transport display boards to the Winter Garden on Monday 18th November and from the Winter Garden on Sunday 1st December

Please give it some thought and help out if you can. Signing up sheets for helpers will be around on club evenings from 29th October.

7. Opening Ceremony

It has become the custom for the Lord Mayor of Sheffield to open our Perspectives Exhibitions and we are delighted that the current Lord Mayor, ***Councillor Tony Downing*** has kindly agreed to open the Exhibition on Monday 18th November at 12 pm.

Naturally we want a good turn- out of SPS members for the Opening Ceremony so please put this date in your diaries now.

Further updates will be provided on Society meeting nights.

Any queries please see Linda, or John on club evenings, or you can contact us at:

Linda email: lindajackson1984@yahoo.co.uk or phone 0114-2350852

John email: jsscholey@googlemail.com or phone 0114-2552915

Mike email: jmkesmth@aol.com or phone 0114-2303980.

Linda Jackson, John Scholey
10/08/19

Timetable for SPS's Perspectives 15 Exhibition

Tuesday 10th September	Signing-Up sheet and midnight deadline for emails
Tuesday 22nd October Tuesday 29 th October	Handing In nights for prints, layout forms, cheques and "blurbs"
Tuesdays 29th October onwards	Helpers sign-up for setting-up, taking-down, stewarding and transporting boards
Monday 18 th November	Setting Up in Winter Garden at 10 am Display boards collected from storage Display boards delivered to Winter Garden (10am) and set up in position. <i>Lord Mayor opens Exhibition at 12 noon</i>
Monday 18 ^h November to Sunday 1st December	Daily stewarding 12noon – 2pm, extra at weekends
Sunday 1st December	Exhibition taken down at 3 pm and all prints removed and display boards returned to storage.
Tuesday 10th December	Perspectives 14 prints returned to members