

WINNERS GALLERY - 2025 edition

This year's competition received 2,184 breathtaking photographs from 213 photographers representing 35 countries around the globe.

Through an anonymous judging process, our distinguished international jury (https://ournatureaward.com/2025-jury-eng/) carefully evaluated every single entry, considering artistic and photographic quality, as well as the story and message behind the images.

After thoughtful deliberation, the jury compiled this final selection of works, which now form collection presented on exhibition.

From among the finalists, the jury also selected the category winners, as well as the overall winning image and winning photo series, awarded the titles: OurNature – Image of the Year and OurNature – Story of the Year.

The winners receive the Golden Fox Trophy.

Our Nature - Image of the Year



Mauro De Bettio - Italy

Chained to tradition

A portrait of a Hyena Man before a baobab tree in northern Nigeria. The Hyena Men represent a unique cultural phenomenon, blending entertainment, spirituality, and tradition. During their travels they perform with chained hyenas, trained monkeys, and snakes, weaving elements of "juju" magic into their shows—practices rooted in long-standing communal traditions. Known as Gadawan Kura, this custom has been passed down for generations, echoing the now-vanished bear dancing once familiar in parts of Europe.