

'My Wild Life' 2023/24 - Calling all budding photographers!

We are excited to bring back the popular 'My Wild Life' photography competition, inspired by the Natural History Museum's *Wildlife Photographer of the Year* exhibition which will return to The Base from Friday 1 March to Sunday 14 April 2024.

Budding photographers of all ages and expertise can enter – whether it's capturing an image of insects in your back garden, wildlife discovered on a family walk or snaps of your beloved pet... we are looking for creative thinking when it comes to capturing the wonders of wildlife that surrounds us in town and country.

Finalists from two age categories (under-18s and over-18s) will be chosen by a panel of expert judges and the winning entries from each category will be chosen by the general public in an online vote!

The two winning photographers will win a Family ticket to visit Marwell Zoo. They will also win a Base Pass/Family Base Pass cards, which give them unlimited entry to The Base Gallery for a whole year along with seeing their photographs displayed in our Runway Gallery, printed in the Newbury Weekly News and published on The Base and Corn Exchange's websites and shared respective social media platforms.

We want to showcase the best local talent that celebrates our wildlife and the natural world and so the winning entries, along with 2nd place and Highly Commended entries, will be displayed in The Base's Runway Gallery for all to see and admire.

PRIZES

1st prize Under-18s:

- A **Family Day Pass to Marwell Zoo** (4 people)
- A **Marwell Zoo goodie-bag**
- A **Family Base Pass** giving unlimited access to the Base Gallery for 12 months*
- Photo exhibited in The Base's Runway Gallery
- Photo printed in the Newbury Weekly News

1st prize Over-18s:

- A **Family Day Pass to Marwell Zoo** (4 people)
- Get up-close with an '**Animal Experience**' at **Marwell Zoo**
- A **Base Pass PLUS** giving unlimited access to the Base Gallery for 12 months as well as discounts on selected events/workshops/courses*
- Photo exhibited in The Base's Runway Gallery
- Photo printed in the Newbury Weekly News

2nd Prize:

Photo exhibited in The Base's Runway Gallery

Photo printed in the Newbury Weekly News

Highly Commended:

Photo exhibited in The Base's Runway Gallery

Judging conditions

- Entries will be judged by nominated judges – Phil Cannings (Newbury Weekly News photographer), Philip Tull (professional photographer) and the staff team at The Base.
- Images will be judged on artistic merit, originality, subject and style.
- The decision of the judges and following online poll is final.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries must explore or capture the theme of 'My Wild Life'. Each entrant may enter a maximum of 5 photos. Email a completed entry form (including the communication release form below) and your photo/s attached to admin@thebasegreenham.co.uk by **Sunday 7 January 2024**.

Please ensure you have read the terms and conditions and also ensure your photo meets these guidelines:

- Your entry/entries must be saved as JPEG file (JPG) at a setting of 10 (100%) or higher
- The filename must contain your full name and age, for example:
LastName_FirstName_Age.jpg
- no watermarks / copyright units / logos on images
- If images of people are submitted, all those in the photograph need to give their consent
- Please consider the well-being of wild creatures and ecosystems. Respect wildlife by not disturbing or moving the subjects you are photographing. We are looking for authentic images of nature. Please do not use apps or image editing software to manipulate your images.

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ENTRY FORM

Name	
Email	
Phone number	
Address	

Please indicate which one of the following categories you are entering under:

Young person (aged 18 or under) - please include your age	
Adult	
Group / Organisation	

Entry title #1	
When was the image taken and what type of camera was used	
Please let us know more about this image and why you chose it (maximum 100 words)	
Entry title #2	
Entry title #3	
Entry title #4	
Entry title #5	

Finalists will be announced on The Base Greenham’s Facebook page on Thursday 1 February 2024 at 10am. Online voting will finish at 8pm on Sunday 4 February 2024.	

Communication Release Form

In signing this form, I give the The Base Greenham permission to use the following on the understanding that it/they will only be used in an appropriate manner and to support the work of the The Base.

I agree that any photographs can be used by The Base Greenham for the following purposes:

- Internal and external communications, publications, online and social media
- I understand that resources may be in circulation for a number of years
- I agree that the above may be kept on file for future use until such time as I declare otherwise by withdrawing my consent.

- I agree that it is my responsibility to keep The Base Greenham updated with any changes in my circumstances.
- I understand that I have a right to withdraw my consent at any time and to exercise that right I must contact admin@thebasegreenham.co.uk
- I understand that on withdrawing my consent all appropriate steps will be taken to remove the materials as quickly as possible, but that it may not be possible to stop their use completely.

Name		Date	
Signature		Contact Information: (Email/ Phone)	

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ‘MY WILD LIFE’ PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

1. Deadline for submissions is Sunday 7 February 2024 **2.** All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. **3.** The entrant must be the sole copyright owner of all photographs entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries (or their parents/guardians if children under 16 are featured). **4.** The entrant must not have breached any laws when taking their photographs. **5.** Online voting will start on The Base Greenham’s Facebook page on Thursday 1 February 2024 at 10am and deadline for votes is Sunday 4 February 2024 at 8pm. **6.** Winners will be notified on Monday 5 February 2024 via email. **7.** One winner will be selected from the under-18s age group and one from the over-18s age group. **8.** Finalists will have their names and ages published on The Base’s website and social media platforms, as well as in the Newbury Weekly News and in the Runway Gallery at The Base. **9.** 1st prize for the Over-18s category will receive a Base Pass PLUS card, giving them unlimited access to The Base’s Gallery for 12 months from Monday 5 February 2024, as well as discounts on selected events,

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workshops and courses at The Base Greenham. **10.** 1st prize for the Under-18s category will receive a Family Base Pass card, giving them (and 2 adults and 1 under-18) unlimited access to The Base's Gallery for 12 months from Monday 5 February 2024. **11.** Both under-18s and over-18s 1st prize winners will receive a Family Day Pass to Marwell Zoo which must be redeemed by Tuesday 31 December 2024 – this applies to 4 people only. **12.** The Over-18s 1st prize winner will receive an invite to enjoy an 'Animal Experience' selected by Marwell Zoo staff team members – this experience must be redeemed by Tuesday 31 December 2024 **13.** The parents or guardians must consent to a photograph being taken of the winners in the under-18s category which will be used by Newbury Weekly News and The Base Greenham for publicity purposes, including on their respective websites and on social media. **14.** No family of current employees of The Base, Corn Exchange Newbury, Newbury Weekly News or Marwell Zoo are eligible to enter the competition. **15.** There will be no cash or other alternative to the prize offered and prizes are not transferable. **16.** Finalists must be able to provide a high-resolution digital file in order to have their photo exhibited in the Runway Gallery at The Base. **17.***terms and conditions apply, see The Base website for full details.