

The Global Arctic Awards 2013

A Gallery of the Winners of the Second Edition

A competition which shows the splendor of the Arctic, offering a stunning selection of images which pay tribute to a variety of landscapes and wildlife from the wastelands of the extreme North

Photographers hailing from 34 different countries have taken part in the international photography competition Global Arctic Awards. The project was fulfilled with the support of the government of the Yamal-Nenets Autonomous region and the Russian Geographic Society.

The full gallery of 77 images taking part in the competition can be seen on the official web site:

<http://arcticawards.ru/winners2013>

The Global Arctic Awards contest winners were awarded the medals of several international photography associations: FIAP, PSA and UPI, as well as with prizes and gifts from Global Arctic Awards partners, among which were trips to Greenland and Yamal.

Alltogether, 10 medals were won by the Russian participants, and 24 by the photographers from Germany, USA, Canada, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Belgium, France, Italy, Finland, Denmark, Sweden and South Africa. Among all participants, Norwegian photographer Roy Mangersnes has been awarded the title of Best Arctic Photographer in 2013.

According to tradition, all the images by winners and finalists have been published in the book "Arctic - Best Photographs" (<http://www.arcticbook.com>) and have been represented in the final Moscow exhibition. The exhibition's grand opening took place in May 2014.

Global Arctic Awards organizers contest express sincere gratitude to the partners and sponsors, whose support has played a very important role. ●



Christian Schweiger/Germany

Southern Iceland, on the 115m volcanic peninsula of Dyrhólaey, known for its rich bird life.

*On the previous page, an image taken in Svalbard by **Leonie Scholtz/South Africa***





Joe Bunni/France
*Split image of a Polar bear,
Nunavut, Canada.*



Carsten Egevang/ Denmark
*Arctic fox in Northeast Greenland
at the end of May.*

Giacomo De Dona/Italy
*Moose in Sweden, during
a summer midnight walk.*





Arlid Heitmann/ Norway
*Aurora borealis dancing over a river
near Sandevannet Lake in northern Norway.*

Benoist Clouet/France
*Walruses on Moffen Island, Norway,
normally a closed bird sanctuary.*



David Allemand/France
Arctic owl in Canada.

Martin Schulz/Germany

The Kirkjufell is a wonderful shaped mountain, located on the North side of the Snæfellsnes peninsula in West Iceland.



Danil Husainov/Russia

*In the tundra in autumn 2012,
with reindeer herders. To the nearest town 40km.
No cellphones or internet, electricity is available
from gasoline generator. Only the wind and the starry sky.*



Dany Chan/Canada

*After a day's hunt, these polar bears sit on
the shore line resting and grooming each other.*



Dionys Moser/Switzerland

Tromsø, Norway. Normally a corona starts to shine right over one's head, but this one was - unusually - vertical and very close to horizon.



Chris Gale/Canada

A moose being rescued at Muncho Lake in Northern British Columbia, Canada.

Dmitriy Arkhipov/Russia

In July, female humpback whales depart from cold polar latitudes to more temperate waters, where in secluded and warm bays they will give birth. Their partners go with them, sometimes showing a touching concern for their pregnant girlfriends.





**Raymond
Hoffman/Iceland**
*Landscape in the
South East of Iceland.*



Paul Zizka/Canada

A lone skier heads towards Mount Thor, in a remote part of Baffin Island.



Felix Inden/Germany

A little village on the Lofoten islands in northern Norway lies under an arc of Aurora borealis.