

MCC digital competitions

General Rules

- Total of **3** images per person.
- Image size must not be bigger than **1400 x 1050**
max of **1400** pixels Horizontally
max of **1050** pixels Vertically
- Images must be minimum of 1024 x 768
- Files exceeding these dimensions will be rejected.
- File name must follow the proper naming convention
- Images must be in JPEG format.

File Naming Convention

B_P1_OJS_Y_I think this is a winner.jpg
B_P1_OJS_N_I think this is a winner.jpg

- **B** = Class (**B**eginner, **I**ntermediate or **A**dvanced).
- **P1** = Category and image number:
P = Pictorial
C = Artistic Contemporary
N = Nature (ie "The Study of ...")
- The 1 means this is your first image. Your other images will have 2 and 3 in this spot.
- **OJS** = Your Initials. **If you only have TWO initials, refer to your membership card for your initials to be used in competition. (In most cases, an X is used for the missing initial)**
- **Y** or **N** indicates whether or not you are requesting the judges to make a comment on that particular image. Everyone is entitled to request a comment on **ONE IMAGE ONLY**. *Note: Judges are always free to comment on any image they wish.*
- "I think this is a winner" = Image name (call it what you will)
- Do not use the "&" symbol in your image name. Do not include any spaces after _

Typical Submission

B_P1_OJS_Y_first image.jpg

B_N2_OJS_N_second image.jpg

B_C3_OJS_N_third image.jpg

- Indicate only **ONE** image for comment by the judges.
- Please do not put **Y** for every image.

Why follow the Naming Convention?

- All images are entered and tracked through a database.
- Much of the record keeping is automated due to the volume of images in any given competition (275+)
- Files that do not follow the convention do not get sorted or organized properly.
- Any files that do not follow the naming convention will be rejected.

What do the image categories mean?

- **Nature (N)** – Depicts a nature story. Does not show any indication of the “Hand of Man” (fence, hydro wires etc)
- **Artistic Contemporary (C)** – Formerly Creative
“A departure from realism, experimental and imaginatively creative that tends toward the abstract in the interpretation of a subject.”
- **Pictorial (P)** – Any image that does not fit into the other categories.
- Please refer to the [Competition Handbook](#) for extended detail on category descriptions.

How do I submit my images?

Email your images to: submissions@mccdigital.ca

- You must submit your files as attachments to your email, not as images in the body of the message.
- Images not sent as attachments will lose their filename and will be rejected.
- **SUBMIT EARLY !**

How do I know that it worked?

- You will get an auto response from **MCC Digital Competition** within a few minutes.
- I didn't get the auto response. Should I panic?
- I wouldn't, but you can if you want to.
- If you don't get a response within a few hours, drop me an email and I will check for you.

chair@mccdigital.ca

What happens when my image gets rejected?

- I will send you an email letting you know that there is a problem and what it is.
- If you submit before the deadline, there will definitely be time to fix any issues. Submitting at the last moment may not give sufficient time for you to receive my email and/or correct any issues.
- Deadlines are for a reason. It takes time to prepare all the images for judging and sometimes the schedule is very tight.
- If you are unsure, please submit **EARLY.**

MCC Competition Schedule 2009-2010 Season

- Oct. 01, 2009 – 1st Competition Due Date
- Dec. 17, 2009 – 2nd Competition Due Date
- Jan. 21, 2010 – Photo Essay Submissions Due Date
- Feb. 18, 2010 – 3rd Themed Competition Due Date
- Apr. 16, 2010 – 4th SALON Competition Due Date

Theme & Salon Competitions

- Themes for the 2009-2010 season are:

Decayed and Abandoned & Mississauga at Night

Artistic Contemporary rules may be used as long as the subject matter is clear.

One of your 3 images must be in either of the two theme categories.

- Salon Competition – The Best of the Best
- You may submit any images from the current competition year or new material into the Salon Competition.

Happy Shooting.

Submissions: submissions@mccdigital.ca

Chair: Omar Sheikh chair@mccdigital.ca