



NATURE DIVISION 2019-2020

Chair Charles Eklove
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Nature Division 2019-2020

Competition Judges

Alain Dubeau
Armando Rafael
Barbara Deans (2)
Claude Bélanger
Danny Taran
David Suliteanu
Diane Moon (2)

Dominic Gendron
Francine Duquette
Ilana Block
Marc L. Dufour
Paul Eifert
Rick Brady (2)
Rick Tomalty
Yves Kéroack

Competition Overview

Images entered: 410
Images accepted: 384 (93.7%)
Botany accepted: 43
Nature General accepted: 66
Ornithology accepted: 127
Zoology accepted: 148
Class A competitors: 21
Class B competitors: 24
Class A accepted average: 81.2%
Class B accepted average: 78.3%
Honourable mentions: 16



ROBERT LEDUC MEMORIAL TROPHY

Class A or B

Highest improved aggregate score, with a minimum improvement of 12 points, for 12 Nature images entered during the year compared to the previous year. Must have been Class B in the previous year.



Fortunato Rizza

Fortunato Rizza placed 1st with an improvement of 26 points (2.2%)

















BOTANY CATEGORY AWARD

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for four Botany images entered during the year. The winner in the current year of the Charles Dozois Trophy is ineligible.



Claude Bélanger

Claude Bélanger placed 1st with a score of 333 points (83.3%) (second win)
Fortunato Rizza placed 2nd with a score of 330 points (82.5%)
Maria Teresa Garavito tied for 3rd with a score of 325 points (81.3%)







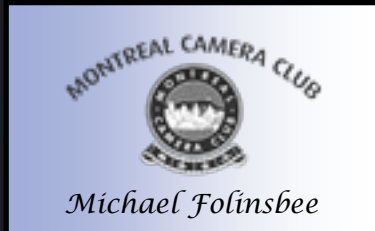




NATURE GENERAL AWARD

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for four Nature General images entered during the year. The winner in the current year of the Charles Dozois Trophy is ineligible.



Michael Folinsbee

Michael Folinsbee placed 1st with a score of 344 points (86%)
Patrik Marier placed 2nd with a score of 343 points (85.8%)
Philippe Laporta tied for 3rd with a score of 333 points (83.3%)



Nature General

Jokulsarlon Glacier Lagoon Outwash (Honours)

Michael Folinsbee



Nature General

Entrada Sandstone Fin near Moab Utah

Michael Folinsbee



Nature General

Glacial Ice Outwash

Michael Folinsbee





ORNITHOLOGY CATEGORY AWARD

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for four Ornithology images entered during the year. The winner in the current year of the Arthur Tardif Trophy is ineligible.



Mike Streicher

Mike Streicher tied for 1st with a score of 354 points (88.5%)
Shelley O'Connell placed 2nd with a score of 349 points (87.3%)







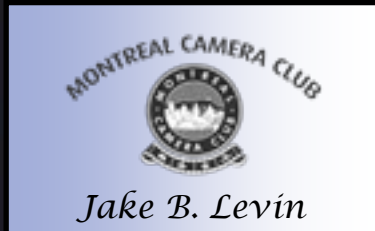




ORNITHOLOGY CATEGORY AWARD

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for four Ornithology images entered during the year. The winner in the current year of the Arthur Tardif Trophy is ineligible.



Jake B. Levin

Jake B. Levin tied for 1st with a score of 354 points (88.5%)
Mike Streicher tied for 1st with a score of 354 points (88.5%)
Shelley O'Connell placed 2nd with a score of 349 points (87.3%)











ZOOLOGY CATEGORY AWARD

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for four Zoology images entered during the year.



Jean Gouin

Jean Gouin placed 1st with a score of 354 points (88.5%)
Mike Streicher placed 2nd with a score of 353 points (88.3%)
Mireille Rondeau placed 3rd with a score of 351 points (87.8%)











CHARLES DOZOIS TROPHY

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for five Botany
and/or Nature General images entered
during the year.



Danielle LaPointe

Danielle LaPointe placed 1st with a score of 427 points (85.4%)
Michael Folinsbee placed 2nd with a score of 425 points (85%)
Patrik Marier placed 3rd with a score of 424 points (84.8%)







Nature General

Hoodoos at Sunrise in Bryce Canyon, Utah (Honours)

Danielle LaPointe



Nature General

Water Reflection of an Icelandic Sky

Danielle LaPointe





ARTHUR TARDIF TROPHY

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for five Ornithology images accepted during the year.



Ilana Block

Ilana Block placed 1st with a score of 451 points (90.2%) (fourth win)
Jake B. Levin placed 2nd with a score of 440 points (88%)
Mike Streicher placed 3rd with a score of 438 points (87.6%)













CATHERINE GRAY TROPHY

Class A or B

Highest aggregate score for 15 Nature images entered during the year, with at least 12 acceptances, and no more than 10 images from any one category. The winner in the current year of the Henri Vautelet Memorial Trophy is ineligible.



Mike Streicher

Mike Streicher placed 1st with a score of 1276 points (85.1%) (second win)
Jean Gouin placed 2nd with a score of 1262 points (84.1%)
John Zimmerman placed 3rd with a score of 1256 points (83.7%)

















DOROTHY BENSON TROPHY RUNNER-UP

Class B

Second highest aggregate score for 12 Nature images entered during the year with no more than 10 images from any one category.



Jacques Sztuke

Jacques Sztuke placed 2nd with a score of 995 points (82.9%)
Patrik Marier placed 3rd with a score of 983 points (81.9%)



Hopewell Rocks



Semipalmated Plover



Yellow Rumped Warbler



Greater Yellowlegs in Kouchibouguac National Park





DOROTHY BENSON TROPHY

Class B

Highest aggregate score for 12 Nature images entered during the year with no more than 10 images from any one category.



Jean Gouin

Jean Gouin placed 1st with a score of 1026 points (85.5%)
Jacques Sztuke placed 2nd with a score of 995 points (82.9%)
Patrik Marier placed 3rd with a score of 983 points (81.9%)

















HENRI VAUTELET MEMORIAL TROPHY RUNNER-UP

Class A

Second highest aggregate score for 12 Nature images entered during the year with a maximum of 10 images from any one category.



Mike Streicher

Mike Streicher placed 2nd with a score of 1038 points (86.5%)
John Zimmerman placed 3rd with a score of 1014 points (84.5%)





HENRI VAUTELET MEMORIAL TROPHY

Class A

Highest aggregate score for 12 Nature images entered during the year with a maximum of 10 images from any one category.



Ilana Block

Ilana Block placed 1st with a score of 1049 points (87.4%) (fifth win)
Mike Streicher placed 2nd with a score of 1038 points (86.5%)
John Zimmerman placed 3rd with a score of 1014 points (84.5%)

















BOTANY IMAGE OF THE YEAR

Class A or B

Botany image selected as the best among all
Botany images accepted during the year.



Maria Teresa Garavito

Maria Teresa Garavito placed 1st with image 'Bladder Champion (Silene Vulgaris)'
Maria Teresa Garavito placed 2nd with image 'Bladder Champion (Silene Vulgaris)'
Claude Bélanger placed 3rd with image 'Flowering Rush (Butoma Umbellatus)'



Botany Image of the Year Third Place

Flowering Rush (*Butoma Umbellatus*)

Claude Bélanger



Botany Image of the Year Runner-up

Bladder Campion (*Silene vulgaris*)

Maria Teresa Garavito



Botany Image of the Year Winner

Bladder Campion (*Silene vulgaris*)

Maria Teresa Garavito



GENERAL NATURE IMAGE OF THE YEAR

Class A or B

General Nature image selected as the best among all Nature General images accepted during the year.



Patrik Marier

Patrik Marier placed 1st with image 'Northern Lights in the Lofoten'
Michael Folinsbee placed 2nd with image 'Jokulsarlon Glacier Lagoon Outwash'
Philippe Laporta placed 3rd with image 'Red Salt Flats in at 4000 Meters Sa...'



General Image of the Year Third Place

Red Salt Flats in at 4000 Meters San Pedro de Atacama, Chile

Philippe Laporta



General Image of the Year Runner-up

Jokulsarlon Glacier Lagoon Outwash

Michael Folinsbee



General Image of the Year Winner

Northern Lights in the Lofoten

Patrik Marier



ORNITHOLOGY IMAGE OF THE YEAR

Class A or B

Ornithology image selected as the best among all Ornithology images accepted during the year.



Mike Streicher

Mike Streicher placed 1st with image 'Little Bee Eater and a Bee'
Claude Bélanger placed 2nd with image 'Eastern Screech-Owl'
Rachel Bilodeau placed 3rd with image 'Ruby-Throated Hummingbird'





Ornithology Image of the Year Runner-up

Eastern Screech-Owl

Claude Bélanger



Ornithology Image of the Year Winner

Little Bee Eater and a Bee

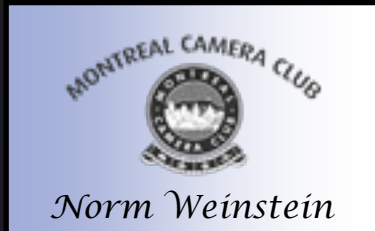
Mike Streicher



ZOOLOGY IMAGE OF THE YEAR

Class A or B

Zoology image selected as the best among
all Zoology images accepted during the year.



Norm Weinstein

Norm Weinstein placed 1st with image 'Mountain Gorilla, Uganda'
Mike Streicher placed 2nd with image 'Red Fox Siblings'
Carole Pelletier placed 3rd with image 'Moro-Sphinx Butterfly on Milkweed'



JACK ROTHENBERG NATURE TROPHY

Class A or B

Image selected as the best Nature Image of the year, chosen from the best of the Botany, Nature General, Ornithology or Zoology categories.



Norm Weinstein

Norm Weinstein placed 1st with image 'Mountain Gorilla, Uganda'



Nature and Zoology Image of the Year Winner

Mountain Gorilla, Uganda

Norm Weinstein



NATURE HONOURABLE MENTIONS

Class A or B

The following members also received
honourable mentions for their Nature images
during the year:

Mireille Rondeau in Zoology

Suzanne Pelland in Zoology







ADVANCING FROM CLASS B TO CLASS A

Class B

Aggregate score for 12 Pictorial images entered during the year equal to at least 90% of the Dorothy Benson Trophy winner's aggregate score.

Jean Gouin scored 1026 points (DB winner)

Jacques Sztuke scored 995 points (97%)

Patrik Marier scored 983 points (96%)

Sonja Klapper scored 937 points (91%)

Elizabeth Warkentin scored 936 points (91%)

Nada Marie Mayla by unanimous MCC Executive vote.



All Competitions 2019-2020

Competition Judges

Alain Dubeau
Ann Pearson
Ara Hagopian (3)
Armando Rafael (2)
Barbara Deans (2)
Cindy Canavan (5)
Claude Bélanger (2)
Danny Taran
David Suliteanu (2)
Diane Moon (6)
Dominic Gendron
Elaine Bacal
Florence Jean
Frances Cable (2)
Francine Duquette

Frederic Hore (2)
Guy P. Larin (2)
Ilana Block
Jack Rothenberg
Jean Bardaji (2)
Lyne Brissette
Malcolm Arribaja
Manny De Mota (2)
Marc L. Dufour
Mgo Hagopian
Paul Eifert
Philippe Laporta (2)
Rick Brady (2)
Rick Tomalty
Yves Kéroack (3)

Competitions Overview

Images entered: 1408
Images accepted: 1371 (97.4%)
Members competing: 70/171 (41%)
Class A competitors: 17
Class A/B competitors: 30
Class B competitors: 23
Class A accepted average: 80.3%
Class A/B accepted average: 79.1%
Class B accepted average: 78.6%
Honourable mentions: 19



Congratulations to our 70
competitors in 2019-2020!



Enjoy your Summer!
See you in September?