

Visual Pursuits Three-Judge Panels

What the Judges Do

- When images are available to the judges, each, independently, rates (scores) each image in each class on a scale of 5 to 0 with those given a 1 or 0 being the images the judge wants to “pass.”
- It does not matter how many images a judge wants to give a 5 or any other number to. But all images must get a rating.
- As a judge scores images, he/she saves the work and can sort the images by score.
- The next step is to rank choices. So, for example, if a judge has assigned a score of 5 to 3 images, she/he then drags images to sort them in the order of the judge’s preference. Same with sorting those scored with a 4, 3, and 2. No need to sort the 1s or 0s since they have been designated by the judge as a “pass.”
- Finally, the judge locks in his/her choices and lets the Competition Manager know.

The Award System

- The Visual Pursuits award system is straightforward. For each class:
 - First, the average score is calculated for each image. Images are sorted by their score, highest to lowest.
 - If there is a tie in average score., the average ranking of the image is used to break the tie.
 - If there is still a tie after the above, the “call judge’s” rank shall be used to break the tie.
- Thus, score (evaluation of the image) prevails and other measures are used only to break ties.