

## **ATM and Astrophotography Exhibition Guidelines and Rules (Updated 27 June 2017)**

### **General**

The gate entrance from Erlswold Way opens at 7am to allow access for exhibitors to set up. All exhibitors get free entrance through the Big Gate until 9am when the Big Gate will close.

Exhibitors are asked to collect from the Help Desk a free lunch ticket to use at the Food Tent. Table cloths can be collected from the Help Desk from around 7am. Please return these to the Help Desk again when you wrap up at the end of the day.

In case of any query during the day visit the Help Desk. And contact us before the day if you have any special requirements.

### **General about Awards**

To be eligible for an award you must be present at ScopeX. Exhibitors need to register their exhibit/s with the ScopeX Help Desk by 10am. Awards are announced at 1pm. The judges' decision will be final.

Entrants are encouraged to leave their exhibits on display - until 5pm - to allow the public to view and perhaps discuss exhibits.

### **Amateur Telescope Making Exhibition**

Come and exhibit your self-made telescope or any other interesting astronomy-related object.

### **Astrophoto Exhibition**

Photos must be your own work, printed and mounted on white board.

There is no restriction on the type of equipment used for the photo – anything from humble point & shoot and smartphones (even pinhole cameras!) up to high end dedicated astrophotography gear are perfectly acceptable.

All subjects with some astronomical content are acceptable - including Deep Sky, Lunar, Solar, Shallow Sky (i.e. planets, comets, etc.) and terrestrial nightscapes.

The sky is your limit!

Exhibits which have been awarded previously will not be eligible for another award but will gladly be displayed again. Commercial images are not eligible for display. This includes any image containing company logos, text offering a service, contact details for a company.

Supply the following details as a caption: Title/subject, aperture, shutter speed, film type, speed or ISO, equipment used, processing applied.

A short description of the object/s in your photo would be valuable.

*Do not put your name on the caption.*

*Names will be placed on the photos after judging.*

For purposes of judging, competition entries will be assigned a number.

The name and contact details of all entries will be held separately by the AstroPhoto Organiser until the winners have been announced and will then be placed on the photos.

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