

Channel Islands Divers



Annual Club Photo Contest



2025 Rules for Entry

The 2025 Photo & Video Contest is open to all **CID members in good standing**. i.e., your membership is paid and current when you enter and when awards are given. Anonymous entries will be evaluated by an independent, non-club member judge appointed by the CID Board.

Photos and videos will be evaluated on the following criteria:

THEME – How well the photo/video relates to scuba diving

TECHNICAL MERIT – Quality of composition, lighting, contrast, focus, etc.

ARTISTIC MERIT – Visual interest, emotional connection, etc.

Prizes for First and Second place will be awarded for each category. Each member may submit only TWO entries per category. However, each member will be limited to one prize per category. In the event the judge selects two entries by the same person as the winners for a category, a runner-up will be chosen by the judge for the second-place prize.

CATEGORIES

Underwater Macro Photo – Macro shots are more than a close-up (often cropped from a wide-angle shot) – in true macro, the magnification ratio is 1:1 or higher, and the size of the subject on the image sensor is life-size or greater.

Underwater Wide-Angle Photo - (includes close focus wide-angle and wide-angle pictures) Close focus wide-angle combines a foreground macro subject with wide-angle background showing the subject's surroundings. Wide angle is with a lens that has a focal length of less than 35mm.

Topside Photo – The subject of the photo must be related to diving (not just the beach).

Underwater Video – The total length of each submission must not exceed 60 seconds and must be a single, unedited clip. No special effects or titles may be added.

Novice – If you have not previously won in our photo contest, you may enter two photos or videos in this category, as well as in the other categories.

THREE WAYS TO ENTER:

1. **Enter and upload your media at channelislandsdivers.org**
2. **Email your completed entry form (available on the website and at meetings) and your media (or link to cloud storage) to the Club President, at president@channelislandsdivers.org**
3. **In person - bring your completed entry form and your photos/videos on a flash drive or SD card MARKED WITH YOUR NAME to a meeting by the October meeting.**

DEADLINE: Submit all photo and video entries by the October General Meeting, October 22nd.



FORMAT: submit Photos as JPEGs & Videos in MP4



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2025 Contest Entry & Consent

I, _____, a CID member in good standing, confirm that I alone created the submitted materials and that these materials do not infringe on anyone else's rights. I give the Channel Islands Dive Club, Inc. my permission and a perpetual copyright license to use and reproduce my submitted work on the CID website, in newsletters, and in other promotional materials, without any royalties or other compensation to me. I also agree to protect the Club, its Board and its members from any liability or other legal issues related to my submission.

MEMBER SIGNATURE

DATE

NAME (PRINT)

PHONE

EMAIL

Entry Category & Description

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