

PRESS RELEASE

Local Photographer Teresa Gregory achieves international acclaim!

Teresa, a photographer based in Dudley has reached the Final of the fiercely contested Guild of Photographers Image of the Year Competition.

The Guild is a highly respected UK based association for photographers which has members from overseas as well. Each year it runs an on-line monthly photographic competition, judged by internationally respected judges with awards given to the best entries.

During 2017, the competition has attracted around 1200 entries per month from the most talented of photographers.

It has just been announced that from all the entries across the year, the Guild's Judges have selected **JUST 12** images in various genres to go forward to the annual Image of the Year Final. Those selected really are the best of the best, and an image by Teresa is one of those selected as a Finalist!

Guild Director Lesley Thirsk said "One of the Guild's aims is to drive standards and creativity amongst photographers. Our monthly competition certainly does that, for the standard of the entries we see each month is quite staggering. To have an image recognised by the Guild in the monthly competition is difficult enough, so to have an image selected as being one of the best in a category for the end of year Final is without doubt an incredible achievement, and shows just how talented photographer, Teresa is"

Teresa said " Apart from my children, photography is my life, i absolutely love my job. In the four years i have been doing professional photography i have worked so hard to create and develop a style, that my clients and myself love. This year I feel i have finally found my happy place within the photography world and that is photographing children whether it be to show off their beauty or create an artistic vision. I have found The Guild very useful in helping me develop my skills by entering their monthly image of the month competitions. the standards of the competition are very high and the images getting awards each month are so inspirational. i can't begin to tell you how excited i am at being shortlisted for the overall final from the many thousands of images submitted across the whole year. What a way to end 2017 by being in the final 12. So amazing "

Teresa's image along with the others will now be printed ready for the Competition Final in December, when highly regarded Judges will be coming together from across the country and overseas to choose the overall winner. The final outcome will be announced at a lavish Awards night in a magnificent Jacobean mansion in Cheshire on 3rd February 2018.

To find out more about the Guild of Photographers and their competition visit their website (www.photoguild.co.uk), and to find out more about Teresa visit their website (www.ellenbeautraitphotography.co.uk)