



**GUSTAVIA YACHT CLUB**  
**3rd INTERNATIONAL PHOTO CONTEST**  
**OF PHOTOGRAPHY**  
**2023**  
**Saint Barthelemy - Monaco**  
**"Wind in the Sails"**

**RULES**



s:y Vanitie lors de l' America's Cup, ca. 1900-1910,  
photo Edwyn Levick

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## **RULES OF THE CONTEST**

### **1- Organizer and organization**

The "Gustavia Yacht Club Annual International Photography Contest" is organized by the Gustavia Yacht Club, which is a French association "Loi 1901", established in Gustavia, 20 rue Jeanne d'Arc, 97133 Saint Barthélemy (registration details at the bottom of the page).

On the proposal of one of its founding members and Administrator, Mr. Jean-Pierre Hennequet, living since 2003 in Saint Barthelemy, Sir Stelios Haji Ioannou, Commodore of the GYC, agreed to the project and entrusted its implementation by delegation to Mr. JP Hennequet. The latter has set up with some members, owners of sailboats (or having an important experience of sailing), a Steering Committee, which has finalized the present Rules, with the help of lawyers also members of the GYC.

For any question about this competition and its rules, please contact JP Hennequet via his e-mail address: [jphsbh@gmail.com](mailto:jphsbh@gmail.com)

The rules of the Competition intend to strictly comply with the French legislation in force as well as with the ethical recommendations of the Union of Professional Photographers (UPP).

Under the control of the Commodore of the GYC and its Board of Directors, JP Hennequet and the Jury are responsible for the implementation of the Competition and for giving it the best chances of success, through an international communication towards the specialized media, the well-known Yacht Clubs and the Associations of professional photographers, in particular those specialized in "sailing

### **2 - Purpose of the Competition**

The main goal of the competition is to promote quality photographic expression on the theme of "the beauty of sailing". This is not limited to regattas or other competitions, but includes all types of sailing.

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To this end, to invite the participation of international professional photographers, specialized or attracted by this subject, ensuring an international communication of the Competition, and the promotion of the winning photographs, as well as their authors. The first three will be rewarded with quality prizes, provided by our partners and the Gustavia Yacht Club, as well as a public exhibition of the ten photographs selected by the Jury. This exhibition will be held at the Yacht Club of Monaco, during the Classic Week (September 13-16, 2023)

In a charitable perspective, it is planned, after this exhibition open to the public, to auction the ten winning photographs, for the partial benefit (50%) of the SNSM of Saint Barthélemy (Société Nationale de Sauvetage en Mer). The balance of the proceeds of the sale will allow the GYC association to cover - ideally - the costs of printing and framing the winning photos, as well as the organization and promotion of the Contest.

The Competition is organized once a year. Its theme may change upon the decision of the organizer. If necessary, the members of the Jury will be replaced by decision of the Organizer, or following their resignation. Participation in the Jury is not open to photographers specializing in "sailing".

### **3 - Theme and category**

The theme of the Contest is: "Sailing in the sails".

The contest is organized on this category only:

- Color or black & white photos are the sole choice of the photographer,

The photograph submitted must be less than two years old and preferably unpublished. Its digital format must allow a quality print in 50 x 70 minimum.

### **4 - Calendar**

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The 3rd Gustavia Yacht Club International Photography Contest was officially announced in Saint Barthelemy, during a ceremony held on December 15, 2022 at the Hôtel de la Collectivité de Gustavia, in the presence of the President of the Collectivité, M.Xavier Lédée, and Sir Stelios Haji Ioannou, Commodore of the Gustavia Yacht Club.

Candidates, professional photographers only, will be invited to register and send their choice of image (one only), from May 1st to June 30th, 2023.

The jury will rate the submitted photos from July 1 to August 20, 2023, and will validate its choice of winners by August 31, 2023.

Sir Stelios, Commodore of the GYC, will announce to the media and invited guests the names of the winning photographers in Monaco (location to be determined), in September 2023, during the Monaco Classic Week (September 13-16). During a Gala dinner, the first three prizes will be awarded to their authors. The ten photos exhibited will then be auctioned off for the benefit (50%) of the SNSM of Saint Barthélemy.

The 4th Contest will be open from May 1st 2024.

## **5 - Participants**

The Competition is reserved for professional photographers invited by the organizer, whatever their gender and nationality, aged 18 years or older. The term "professional" implies that the photographer lives mainly from this activity. Any professional photographer wishing to participate may request an invitation by sending to the organizer, before April 15, 2023, a portfolio of 6 to 10 photos to illustrate

his or her work on the theme of the Competition, accompanied by a brief CV. The decision of an invitation following the examination of the file is without appeal or justification at the discretion of the organizer.

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## **6 - Registration**

Entries will be received from May 1, 2023, until 6:00 p.m. on June 30, 2023. They will take the form of sending (by email or electronic mail) the registration form duly completed, dated and signed, accompanied by a single photo, submitted in "high resolution" digital format (at least 12M pixels). That is to say, suitable for A1 quality printing. Incomplete, unsigned and undated forms, or forms not accompanied by a photo, will not be considered. The Organizer will not be obliged to inform the applicant of any such incompleteness.

Registration is free of charge. Any costs incurred by the applicant in sending the complete application are at his/her sole expense.

Candidates will be informed in July 2023 by individual e-mail of their correct registration. If they find that they have not been registered by July 15, 2023, they will have 8 days to file a complaint, to which they will be given an answer explaining the reason for this situation, but in no case justifying it. If then confirmed by the Organizer, the non-registration will be without recourse.

## **7 - Submission of photos, exclusions**

As indicated in Article 6, the photos (one per candidate) will be submitted at the time of registration of its author, in digital form (minimum resolution: 12M pixels).

Only the three winners of a Prize and the following seven will be used by the Organizer (printing for exhibition and auction, communication about the Competition and its results, with mention of their author).

However, the next seven photos (depending on the scores received) will also be drawn to be exhibited with the three winners, at the Yacht Club de Monaco in September 2023, during the Classic Week. And the ten will be able, in liaison with their authors for the place and the conditions of drawing, to be the object of a limited edition for exclusive sale in the store of the GYC at the headquarters of S Gustavia. The selling price will be fixed by mutual agreement between the authors and the GYC. The proceeds of

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the sales will be divided between 1/3 for the author, 1/3 for the SNSM of Saint Barthelemy, and 1/3 for the GYC.

The photographers are responsible for being the sole authors and holders of the rights to the photo they submit to the Contest. Should the contrary be proven, they will be immediately excluded from the Contest.

If a photo submitted is not related to the theme of the Contest, the entry will not be accepted. If a photo submitted contains elements that are controversial (e.g. slogan, advertising or promotional text that is not an integral part of the subject shown, nude characters or characters in provocative or pornographic positions, etc.), the entry will not be accepted.

If the age and professional activity requirements are not met, the entry will not be considered.

### **8 - Jury**

The jury is composed of 16 members, 10 of whom belong to the GYC (but two of them do not take part in the voting). Sir Stelios Haji Ioannou, Commodore of the GYC, is the Honorary President of the Jury. He does not take part in the votes. The President of the Jury is Mrs. Milena Perini, who is a member of the family that ran the famous Italian shipyard of which she is named. She is a frequent visitor to St. Barthelemy and a GYC Administrator.

The other members of the jury are listed in a separate document.

The jury operates via e-mail exchanges, centralized by its Secretary, who does not participate in the voting. The submitted photos are sent to the members anonymously, with a simple reference number.

The jurors give each photo a score from 0 to 10, without comment.

The three photos with the highest total score will be awarded. In case of a tie, a second round is organized on the ex-aequo concerned. In the event of a tie at the end of the second round, the President's choice will prevail to break the tie.

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The three best scores will receive, in addition to the Gustavia Yacht Club checks, valuable prizes offered by the Contest partners.

### **9 - Prizes**

The Competition has three prizes.

In order to ensure a high standard of these prizes and to contribute to the prestige of the Competition, we have called upon the assistance of partners/sponsors who will each take charge of a prize and participate in its presentation in Monaco or Saint Barthelemy.

**1st Prize:** Airline tickets on Tradewind, serving Saint Barthelemy from the United States, worth approximately 3,000€.

**2nd Prize:** a three-night stay in the panoramic suite of the Manapany Hotel (5-star eco-resort) in Saint Barthelemy, or equivalent in another French hotel of the "B Signature" group

**3rd Prize:** Cup of the Collectivity of Saint Barthelemy, consisting of a work of art (unique piece) made by an artist from Saint Barthelemy.

In addition to these three prizes, the Gustavia Yacht Club will offer the three winners a check for €3,000 (1st prize), €2,000 (2nd prize) and €1,000 (3rd prize)

### **10 - Announcement of the winners**

The GYC will announce the names of the three winning photographers in Monaco, during the Classic Week, in September 2023, during the Gala evening for the prize-giving and the auction. The winners will be informed confidentially eight days beforehand to allow them to attend if they wish, but this presence will not be compulsory, and will be at their own expense (travel, stay). Their career path will be presented to the guests present and to the media on this occasion, on the basis of the elements they will have provided at the time of their registration to the Competition.

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### **11- Printing and sale in limited edition of the winning photos and the seven following ones**

The GYC reserves the right to print and frame prints (limited to 10 copies each) of the ten photographs selected by the Jury, which will be sold exclusively (for three years) at the GYC store in Gustavia. One third of the proceeds from their sale will go to their authors, one third to the SNSM of Saint Barthelemy, and the balance to the GYC.

The modalities of the printing will be agreed with the photographers, in particular according to their geographical presence in order to sign these prints.

### **12 - Fate of non-prize-winning photos**

They will be part of the GYC archives, but cannot be used in any way without prior specific agreement with their author. With the exception of the possible publication of a book presenting all the photographs of the competition in order to promote them. If the international distribution of this book would generate a net income for the GYC, the latter would use it to develop the promotion of the present Competition.

### **13 - Fees**

The GYC will bear the general organizational costs of the Competition, as described above, with the exception of the prizes, which will be paid for by the sponsors (with the exception of those provided by the GYC).

Photographers wishing to attend the September 2023 meetings during the Monaco Yacht Show Classic Week in person will be very welcome, but will be responsible for their own expenses (travel, accommodation, meals, local transport). They will have to inform the GYC as soon as possible, and at the latest one week in advance, in order to inform the media of their presence.

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#### **14 - Sponsors/Partners**

The GYC has agreed on partnership/sponsorship agreements with three groups or entities that will support the three annual Awards that will be presented by the Jury.

These awards have been detailed above.

For its part, the GYC will add to these prizes a contribution of three thousand, two thousand and one thousand euros respectively for the three prizes.

#### **15 - Protection of Intellectual Property and Photographers' Rights**

The GYC undertakes to respect the intellectual property rights of the participating photographers in accordance with the French legislation in force.

Concerning the prize-winning photos, their authors agree to authorize the GYC to use them free of rights for the sole use of the Competition (Communication of the Competition, its results, exhibition of the photos in St Barthélemy and Monaco, auction, possible realization of a book...) exclusively. And always quoting the name of the author.

#### **15 - Litigation and jurisdiction**

In the event of a dispute in the implementation of the Contest, the complaining party must notify the other party of its grievance by email or registered letter. After receiving this formal notification, the parties will have a period of one month to consult each other in order to reach an agreement in good faith for an amicable settlement of the dispute.

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In the absence of an amicable agreement signed within this period, the party wishing to do so may refer the matter to the competent court, exclusively among those dealing with Saint Barthelemy0(St-Barthelemy, Saint Martin, Guadeloupe).

### **16 - Official language**

French is the official language of the Contest. Nevertheless, a version in English will be made available, but only the French version will be deemed authentic.

### **17- Prohibitions**

Members or employees of the GYC may not participate in the Contest, nor assist one or more candidates other than by informing them of the Contest rules. Discovery of a violation of this rule will automatically result in the disqualification of the candidate involved.

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