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Newbury Schools Celebrate West Berkshire Young Photographer Awards

Serenity Wang (Downe House School) has been awarded the accolade of West Berkshire Rotary International Young Photographer 2014 whilst Dagmara Lewandowska (Trinity School) took 1st Place in the 11-14 year category.

Newbury, Berkshire England, April 7, 2014 :

An array of over 30 entries seeking the title of West Berkshire Rotary Young Photographer 2014 have been on display at Newbury Library. The entries were submitted by students at Trinity and Downe House Schools as well as Park House and Mary Hare Schools. Each school gained at least 1 award. The overall winner, senior entry Serenity Wang (Downe House School), submitted a series of stunning photos taken at home in China which were acclaimed by judge and sponsor, Adam Hillier of Adam Hillier Photography as “a lovely use of composition with great use of natural light.”

Dagmara Lewandowska claimed 1st prize in the Intermediate (11-14yrs) section. Her collection featured a stunning portrait of two young children at Donnington Castle. Adam Hillier commented, “The use of negative space grabs the eye and is balanced with a serene beauty and innocence.”

Merits awards were presented to Amy Goatley (Trinity School) and Abi Hollister (Park House School) by Newbury Mayor, Anthony Pick, when he visited the exhibit on Saturday 5th April. Merits have also been awarded to Zoya Imran (Mary Hare School) and Rosie Tapner (Downe House School).

The West Berkshire Young Photographer is an annual competition organized by Newbury Rotary Club and is open to all young snappers from across West Berkshire between the ages of 11-18 years. This year’s theme was “People” which provided a great deal of creative leeway for our local youngsters to show off both the technical and artistic prowess of their photographic skills. The competition has been generously sponsored by Newbury Weekly News, Improve Photography and by Adam Hillier Photography.

The 2015 competition and theme will be announced later this year.

If you missed the exhibition which closed on April 9th, all the entries can be viewed via the newburyrotary.org website.

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Photos 1-10 attached

About Newbury Rotary Club www.newburyrotary.org

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Rotary's main objective is service in the community, in the workplace, and around the globe. There are 1.2 million Rotarians who make up more than 34,000 Rotary clubs in nearly every country in the world who all share a dedication to the ideal of Service Above Self. The Rotary Club of Newbury is one of those clubs.

The Rotary Club of Newbury is one of 1,850 clubs within *Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland* (RIBI) which has in total over 53,000 members. It in turn, is an integral part of Rotary International, the world's first service organisation.

In local communities alone, each club raises many thousands of pounds for community projects and local charities. Members also volunteer their time - supervising community events, running a host of projects aimed at promoting the achievements of young people, coordinating educational programmes, and supporting local businesses.

About Adam Hillier Photography: www.adamhillierphotography.co.uk

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With Improve Photography, you can learn all about your Digital SLR and how to master it to take great photographs with confidence. They also offer Photography editing courses, Portrait courses and Wedding courses.

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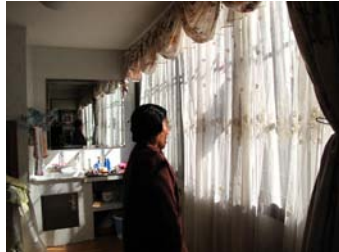
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Serena Wang's winning entries - West Berkshire Young Photographer 2014 :



Photos 4-6

Dagmara Lewandowska : 1st Prize (Intermediates, 11-14 yrs):



Photo 7:

Newbury Mayor, Anthony Pick, presenting merit awards to Amy Goatley and Abi Hollister at exhibit in Newbury Library:



Left to Right:

Mayoress Councillor Catherine Kent, Jenny Abbott (Rotarian), Abi Hollister, Mayor Anthony Pick, Amy Goatley, Will Job (President Newbury Rotary)

Photo 8: Abi Hollister – Senior Merit (one of her entries):

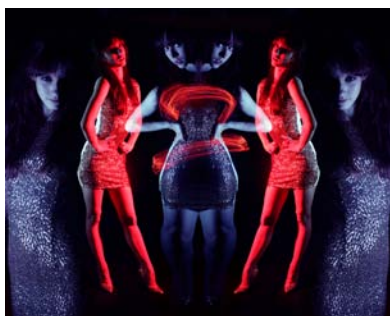


Photo 9: Amy Goatley , Intermediate Merit (one of her entries):



Photo 10: Rosie Tapner , Senior Merit (one of her entries):



Photo 11: Zoya Imran , Senior Merit (one of her entries):

