

# SPELEOFOTOGRAFIA 2024

The 22th year of the international photo exhibition with the theme of speleology

1. Organizers:

- [Slovenské múzeum ochrany prírody a jaskyniarstva](#)
- [Slovenská speleologická spoločnosť](#)
- [Štátna ochrana prírody SR – Správa slovenských jaskýň](#)
- [mesto Liptovský Mikuláš](#)

2. Participation is conditioned on respecting the contest rules.

3. Each author can send at most 5 photographs in one contest category.

4. Categories and prizes:

A – **Cave Beauty** – photos illustrating the beauties of cave spaces and speleothem details.

B – **Speleo-moment** – reportage photos from speleological activities and expeditions

They will be chosen 3 best photographs of each category and award the **Grand Prize of Speleofotografia Contest 2024**. Another prize will be award by votes on social network. Authors will win valuable prizes.

5. Participation is free of charge.

6. Photographs have to be sent in a digital form (a longer side min. 3,000 px, a file size till 5 MB, .jpg format) via online form (link below).

7. Files have to be named in the following manner: category-author's name-sequence number.jpg (example: A-Smith-1.jpg), and an entry form for each picture have to be added on [www.speleofotografia.sss.sk](http://www.speleofotografia.sss.sk). Names of photos must be in English language.

Online form:

<https://speleofotografia.sss.sk/form-2024/>

8. By infilling the entry forms participants confirm ownership of copyrights for photographs, and give assent to using them for presentation on the exhibition and organizer's web side as well as social network and media propagation concerning the exhibition.

9. The jury will determine the 100 best works from all submitted contributions, which will be published in a catalog of contest. A selection of them will be presented at an exhibition in the museum in Liptovský Mikuláš. The catalog will be handed over to the authors of the works published in it during the opening.

10. The jury consist of experienced cave photographers:

**Pavol Kočiš** (Slovakia; Chairman of the jury)

**Pavol Staník** (Slovakia; member of the jury)

**Leandro de Almeida Rech** (Brazil; member of the jury)

**Richard Bouda** (Czech Republic; member of the jury)

**Ágnes Berentés** (Hungary; member of the jury)

11. Deadline for sending the photos: **September 13, 2024.**

The jury will select the winning photos between September 14 and September 30, 2024. The award ceremony will take place in November 2024 at the opening of the exhibition in the Museum at Školská 4, Liptovský Mikuláš. The results of the competition will be published on the website [www.speleofotografia.sss.sk](http://www.speleofotografia.sss.sk).

12. Organizers and jury members cannot participate in the exhibition as authors.

13. The jury decision regarding awards cannot be changed.

14. Awards will be handed over by an organizer's representative at the opening of the exhibition in Liptovský Mikuláš.

15. Organizers are not responsible for damages caused by breaking the exhibition rules from the side of participants (e.g. sending of photographs without ownership of copyrights).

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*More information:*

[www.speleofotografia.sss.sk](http://www.speleofotografia.sss.sk)

<https://www.facebook.com/speleofotografia>

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