

The Young Photographer Competition – Rules and Guidelines

Organised by photolLKLEY

1. Introduction

1.1 By entering *The Young Photographer Competition*, you agree to abide by the rules outlined here.

1.2 Entry is free and open to all individuals **aged 19 and under** as of the **submission deadline** (16 June 2025,1:00 pm).

1.3 The competition is organised as part of **photolLKLEY**, Ilkley's first photography festival, taking place starting **11**, **12** and **13** July 2025.

1.4 Selected photographs will be included in an **exhibition at Ilkley Manor House**, running from **12 July to 3 August 2025**.

2. Submissions

2.1 Each entrant may submit up to THREE (3) photographs.

2.2 Entries must be sent via email to <u>contact@photoilkley.com</u> along with the completed entry form. Photographs must be named with the entrants full name.

2.3 Images should be in **JPEG format**, of max **10MB** in size.

2.4 Photographs must relate to the theme:





Ilkley: Best Place to Live

Ilkley was recently named the Best Place to Live in the North and Northeast of England by *The Sunday Times* — and we couldn't agree more!

Now, we want to hear your perspective.

Whether you live here, go to school in Ilkley, visit your grandparents here, walk your dog by the river, spot otters, or just love spending time in your favourite Ilkley spot — we invite you to share what makes this place special to you.

Maybe it's the moor, your best friend who lives nearby, or a little-known corner of town that brings you joy. Whatever your Ilkley story is, we want to see it.

And if your view of Ilkley isn't all rose-tinted — that's okay too. Maybe there's a side of town that's overlooked, a place that tells a different story, or a detail most people miss. We welcome honest, thoughtful submissions that reflect all sides of life here — the cherished, the quirky, and even the less glamorous.

2. Categories

Participants may submit images in any of the following five categories:

- Portrait
- Wildlife
- Architecture
- Landscape
- Other (for creative or experimental work that doesn't fit the above)

3. Image Rights and Permissions





3.1 Entrants must be the **original creators** of the submitted work.

3.2 If identifiable people appear in your images, you must have obtained their permission (or a guardian's if they are under 16).

3.3 By entering, you grant **photoILKLEY** the right to use your images for the purpose of promoting the competition, the exhibition, and the festival (with proper credit).

4. Judging & Exhibition

4.1 A panel of judges will select a shortlist and up to 20 winning images for exhibition.

4.2 Selected participants will be notified by early July 2025.

4.3 All entries will be judged on creativity, originality, and how well they respond to the theme.

4.4 4.4 Portfolio reviews can be offered upon request — just let us know if you'd like feedback on your work.

5. Age & Consent

5.1 Entrants under the age of 16 must have the consent of a parent or guardian.

5.2 Winners may be asked to provide proof of age and signed consent if applicable.

6. Final Notes

6.1 Selected images may be printed for display and used in press, social media, or festival materials.

6.2 No cash prizes are offered. The reward is the opportunity to exhibit in Ilkley's historic Manor House during the festival and be part of this community celebration.

6.3 **photoILKLEY** retains the right to disqualify entries that do not comply with these rules or contain offensive/inappropriate content.

6.4 Copyright remains with the creator. By **entering**, you grant photoILKLEY the right to use your image (with credit) in connection with the festival — globally and in perpetuity — for non-commercial, promotional purposes only.





Deadline for submissions: 16 June 2025 Festival dates: starting 11, 12 and 13 July 2025 Exhibition: Ilkley Manor House, 12 July – 3 August 2025

