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## Do your pupils love animals?

## Here's their chance to get creative with the RSPCA Young Photographer Awards – which are now open!

In our 200th year, we're building an even stronger movement of animal lovers. And we're looking for talented young photographers, aged 18 and under, who share our love of animals.

The RSPCA Young Photographer Awards is a high-profile competition that's been running since 1990. It attracts thousands of entries each year and is endorsed by conservationists and professionals like TV's Chris Packham, who is RSPCA President and sits on our judging panel.

Winning images often appear in the national press, and many finalists have gone on to careers in photography, animal welfare, and conservation. And, all finalists are invited to a Tower of London awards ceremony and exhibition in December, hosted by Chris Packham.

Entrants need only a camera or smartphone, a love of animals, and an eye for a great shot. **It's free to enter** and we have great prizes up for grabs, including a photography trip with Natures Images, trophies, certificates, and a share of £3,800 in Amazon vouchers.

Our Age and Mobile phone and devices categories are divided by age. But young people of all ages can enter any one of our remaining 10 categories:

- Age (Under 12s, 12-15 years, 16-18 years)
- Mobile phone and devices (Under 12s, 12–15 years and 16–18 years)
- Pet personalities
- Pet portraits
- Small world
- Better world
- City life
- Portfolio

We're launching two new categories this year. 'Better world' asks for photos promoting kindness to animals, perfect for class discussions on animal welfare, and 'City life' for photos of animals in urban settings.

Please display the enclosed poster to encourage your class to participate. For a digital version, email us at ypa@rspca.org.uk. Pupils can visit rspca.org.uk/ypa for tips and more details. Entries close at noon on 15 August 2024.

Thank you for your support – we look forward to seeing your pupils' entries! Best wishes.

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