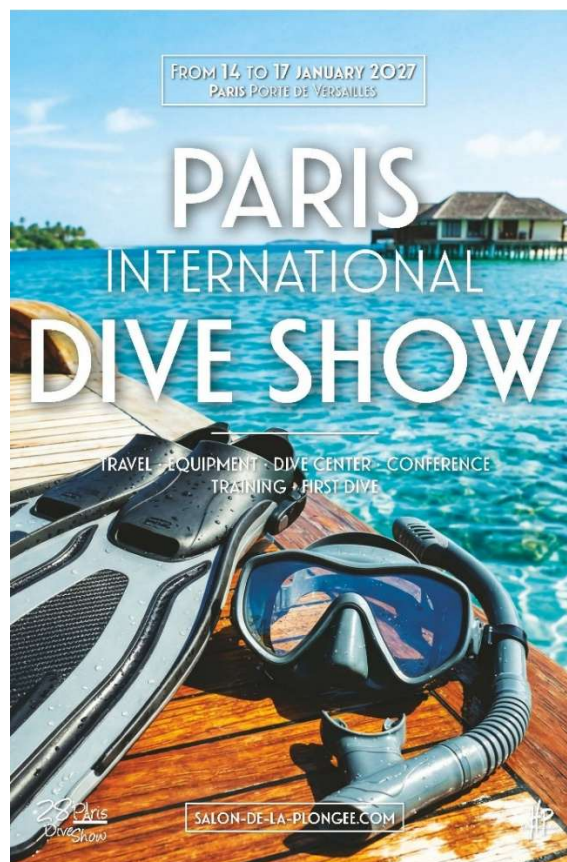




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PRESENTATION OF THE PHOTOS COMPETITION

For more than twenty-five years, the Paris International Dive Show has offered an exceptional showcase for underwater imagery, a discipline inseparable from the practice of scuba diving.

Each edition highlights a different theme, and for this 28th edition, we have chosen a subject that is deeply rooted in underwater exploration: **Wrecks**

Wrecks are places of memory, mystery, and discovery. They tell forgotten stories, frozen in time, and offer divers a unique playground where light, structure, and perspective create scenes of remarkable intensity.

By choosing this theme, the Paris Dive Show invites photographers to reveal the silent beauty of these sleeping giants, to capture their singular atmosphere, and to share the fascination they inspire beneath the surface.

The photo competition of the Paris International Dive Show features two distinct categories, allowing all photographers to participate according to their level of experience:

- “Amateur Photographer” Category
- “Expert Photographer” Category

A photographer is considered Expert if they have already been awarded in previous competitions, whether national or international, or if they have published their photographs in a magazine, as part of an exhibition, or on a recognised website. Publications on personal social media accounts are not taken into consideration for this classification.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND DETAILS:

- The competition is open to all photographers, regardless of age or nationality.
- The competition aims to promote scuba diving and highlight the richness of the underwater world through imagery.
- For the 2027 edition, all submitted photographs must feature a wreck, regardless of its type: ship, aircraft, submerged structure, etc.
- Apart from this thematic requirement, participants enjoy complete artistic freedom. Image composition is left to the photographer's discretion. The shooting location is unrestricted, provided the photograph is taken underwater and in a natural environment. Each participant must indicate the exact location of the shot, the name of the wreck, and provide information about its history.

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REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION:

- The competition is entirely free of charge.
- Registration must be completed on the official event website:
<https://www.salon-de-la-plongee.com> – Section **CONTESTS**
- To participate, each entrant must create an account and provide their first name, last name, email address, and a password.
- Participants who have already taken part in a Competition of the Paris International Dive Show since 2023 are encouraged to use the account they previously created.
- When registering, participants must choose either the Amateur Category or the Expert Category. Any error in category selection will result in the invalidation of the entry and the exclusion of the submitted photographs. If an error is identified by the Jury after the results have been announced, the awarded prize may be withdrawn.
- Each participant may register in only one category. Any double registration will result in exclusion.
- A single participant may enter both the Photo and Film competitions.
- Each submitted photograph must include a title and a description, following the fields provided on the platform. Participants must specify the exact location of the shot, the name of the wreck, and provide information about its history.
- Each participant may submit between 1 and 3 photographs.
- Images that have been submitted in previous editions are eligible, but are significantly less likely to gain the Jury's favour.

IMAGE SUBMISSION AND PROCESSING:

- The organisation cannot, under any circumstances, proceed with the registration, upload or submission of photographs on behalf of participants.
Each author is solely responsible for submitting their own works and ensuring the validity of their entry.
- Images may be uploaded in jpeg, jpg, png, or webp formats.
- The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.
There are no limitations regarding pixel dimensions or dpi.
- Post-processing is permitted without restriction. However, this is not a digital editing competition: winning images must reflect reality and represent a genuine diving experience.
- Black and white images are accepted.
- The photographer's name must not appear on the images, in order to ensure a fully anonymous evaluation by the Jury.
- Cropping is allowed, provided that the final resolution remains sufficient for optimal display and evaluation of the winning images.
- AI-generated images, even partially, are strictly prohibited. The competition aims to highlight the authentic experience of the diver and the capture of a real moment underwater.

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COMPETITION DATES:

- Registration for the competition, as well as the submission of photographs, must be completed no later than **November 15, 2026**, at midnight (UTC/GMT +1).
- The results will be announced on **Saturday 16 January 2027 at 5:30 pm** during the Paris International Dive Show, on the Main Stage (Espace Scénique).

JURY AND AWARDS:

- The 2027 competition is organised in partnership with FORUM PHOTOSUB.
- Starting 16 November 2026, the Jury will begin the deliberation process. In the first stage, it will carry out a preselection of approximately twenty images per category.
- Pre-selected participants will be notified by email.
They may be asked to provide higher resolution files or additional information.
Failure to respond may affect the final outcome.
- For each category, three winners will be selected, ranked from 1st to 3rd place.
- The results will be announced during the official awards ceremony, held on Saturday, 16 January 2027, at the Paris International Dive Show.
- Participation in the competition does not grant free entry to the Show.
- Each winner will receive the official trophy of the 2027 Photos Competition, corresponding to their ranking, as well as the prizes offered by the organisers and their partners.
- Trophies and prizes will be handed over exclusively in person, to the winners or their representatives, during the official awards ceremony.
No shipment will be made.
If the winner or their representative is not present until the end of the ceremony, any trophies or prizes not collected cannot be claimed afterwards.
The organisers and their partners cannot be held responsible for trophies or prizes not collected
- The decision of the Jury is final.
The Jury will present its choices during the ceremony and may speak with participants in person.
However, it will not revisit discussions by correspondence once the ceremony has concluded.

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RULES: GENERAL PROVISIONS

The Paris International Dive Show is an event created, produced, and organised by HP Communication.

The name *Paris International Dive Show* is a registered trademark of SARL HP Communication.

Any work considered by the Paris International Dive Show to be clearly off topic or likely to disturb public order will not be accepted for the competition.

Any work involving animal manipulation or disrespect for the natural environment (moving animals, artificial conditions, forced behaviour, etc.) will be excluded from the competition.

The Paris International Dive Show reserves the right not to accept certain photographs, without this decision being subject to appeal or giving rise to compensation or reimbursement of any kind.

In accordance with established copyright regulations, the Paris International Dive Show considers that all submitted works are free of any rights that may be held by third parties (images, image rights, intellectual property, etc.).

By participating, authors agree to indemnify and hold harmless the organiser against any claims or actions brought by rights holders.

The Paris International Dive Show cannot be held responsible in the event of disputes or litigation.

Each photographer must ensure that their images do not infringe upon any third party rights, including image rights, property, personality, or privacy. They certify that they possess all necessary authorisations for the publication of images depicting individuals, including minors.

Photographers authorise the use of their works by HP Communication / Paris International Dive Show for promotional purposes, with mention of the photographer's name, without financial compensation, without payment of royalties, and without remuneration of any kind.

Participation in the competition implies full and unconditional acceptance of all the conditions set out in this regulation, as well as the guidelines issued by the Organiser to ensure the proper presentation of the works.

Declaration of Acceptance:

Participation in the competition constitutes agreement with the following declaration:

«I hereby request to participate in the photo competition of the 28th Paris International Dive Show. I declare that I have read the Information and the Competition Rules above, accept all clauses without reservation or restriction, and waive any right of recourse against the organiser. I certify that I am the author of the photographs and that I possess the necessary authorisations for the publication of images depicting models, individuals, including, where applicable, children.»

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SHOW INFORMATION

PARIS INTERNATIONAL DIVE SHOW 2027

- **ORGANIZATION DETAILS**

Production et Organization : HP COMMUNICATION

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E-mail : concours@salondelaplongee.com – Website : www.salon-de-la-plongee.com

- **OPENING DATES AND TIMES**

- ✓ Thursday, January 14, 2027, from 10am to 7pm
- ✓ Friday, January 15, 2027, from 10am to 9pm
- ✓ Saturday, January 16, 2027, from 10am to 7pm
- ✓ Sunday, January 17, 2027, from 10am to 7pm

- **VENUE**

PORTE DE VERSAILLES - EXHIBITION PARK

Hall 4

1 Place de la Porte de Versailles - 75015 Paris – France

- **ACCES**

- ✓ By plane: All Paris airports (Orly & Roissy Charles De Gaulle)
- ✓ By train: All Paris train stations (Lyon, Montparnasse, Nord, etc.)
- ✓ By subway: Line 8 (Balard Station) & Line 12 (Porte de Versailles Station)
- ✓ By tram: Line T2 & T3 (Porte de Versailles Station)
- ✓ By car: Ring road - Porte de Versailles Exit
- ✓ By bus: 39 & 80 (Porte de Versailles Station)
- ✓ Parking P6 (charged parking according to the Parc des Expositions 's price)