

Getty Images Photographers Receive Top Honors at 2024 Pictures of the Year International Competition

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New York – March 28, 2024: [Getty Images](#) (NYSE: GETY), a preeminent global visual content creator and marketplace, has taken home 15 awards at this year's Pictures of the Year International (POY) competition. This includes accolades for several photographers in the Sports Photographer of the Year category, two first place wins (Sports Photographer of the Year and Issue Reporting Story) and a total of 11 staff photographers receiving awards.

The 2024 winners include:

- **Patrick Smith** won First Place in the [Sports Photographer of the Year](#) category for his full portfolio of sports coverage from 2023, including Wimbledon, the World Athletic Championships, the Preakness Stakes, WBA World Lightweight Championship, regular season NFL, NBA and NHL games and more. He was also named a Finalist in the [Sports Action](#) category and received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Picture Story](#) category. This marks the second time that Patrick has earned the accolade of Sports Photographer of the Year from POY.
- **Brent Stirton** won First Place in the [Issue Reporting Picture Story](#) for his work documenting LGBTQIA refugees in Kenyan safe houses.
- **Steph Chambers** was named a Finalist in the [Sports Photographer of the Year](#) category for her full portfolio of sports coverage from 2023, including regular season games and championships of the WNBA, MLB, NCAA Women's Basketball, dog sledding and more. She also received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Action](#) category for her work capturing college football in Washington, USA.
- **John Moore** was named a Finalist in the [Spot News](#) category for his work documenting the US-Mexico border crisis and the influx of immigrants seeking asylum into the United States.
- **Julian Finney** was named a Finalist in the [Sports Action](#) for his coverage from Wimbledon.
- **Al Bello** received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Photographer of the Year](#) and [Sports Picture Story](#) categories for his full portfolio of sports coverage from 2023, including the US Open, World Athletics Championships, the Pan American Games, ongoing coverage of the Savannah Bananas baseball team and more.
- **Christopher Furlong** received an Award of Excellence in the [Impact 2023 Israel-Hamas War](#) category for his work documenting the early days of the conflict in Southern Israel.
- **Adam Pretty** received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Picture Story](#) category for his work capturing the World Aquatics Championships in Fukuoka, Japan, specifically capturing athletes in various competitions with underwater robotic, remote and handheld cameras.
- **David Ramos** received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Photographer of the Year](#) category for his full portfolio of sports coverage from 2023, including the World Athletic Championships, Tour de France, Alpine Ski World Cup Finals, surfing sessions in Portugal and more.
- **Ezra Shaw** received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Life and Recreational Sports](#) category for his work capturing the Pan American Games in Santiago, Chile.
- **Sarah Stier** received an Award of Excellence in the [Sports Action](#) category for her work capturing a strawweight fight during the UFC 295 event in New York City, USA.

Getty Images Global Head of Editorial **Ken Mainardis** said, "We are so proud of our incredibly talented team of photographers, across news and sports, for being recognized in this year's POY competition. Each year, our photographers and editors set out to capture the moments that define the world in which we live in, documenting for the world to see and helping our global customers and partners to tell their stories. This recognition is a testament to their hard work, skill and professionalism and reinforces Getty Images' longstanding photographic expertise and excellence as a trusted source in the industry for nearly 30 years."

To see the full list of winners for this year's POY competition, go to: <https://www.poy.org/81/>

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