

We Blog the World Travel Photo Contest Winners Announced

April 9, 2012 – San Francisco, CA – <u>We Blog the World</u>, an online culture and travel magazine that focuses on off-the-beaten path cultural events and unique adventure and high-end <u>travel experiences</u> for discerning travelers, announced the winners of its first public travel photo contest.

We Blog the World's first photo contest was announced in early March and announced 26 finalists out of over 200 submissions on March 26, 2012. The selection process was centered around originality, angles, colors and whether the shot invoked an emotional response among those we sent the images to over the course of a week.

Of the 26 finalists, the following three have been selected as the winners

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Photo Contest Winner #1: Ishtiaq: *Opal*



Says Ishtiaq, "A jolly young girl sitting on a window. She was playing with her friends on a muddy road with rocks. She ran across the road and sat on the window as I passed by with my camera. The shy, happy glare in her eyes are still unforgettable."

Photo Contest Winner #2: Mtess: Pokhara Nepal



Photo Contest Winner #3: The Travel Bunny: Namibia Africa



The Dead Vlei, Sossusvlei, Namibia, the Travel Bunny says, "I was amazed to see that a bird had built a nest amid all the sand, dust and heat of the desert."

Congratulations to the three winners and to our 26 finalists. Thanks again to our sponsors who provided the prizes for the winners. The first winner will receive points from the Hyatt Regency Chicago® which can be used GLOBALLY (details will be provided to the winner).

The second prize winner will receive gift certificate to either The Cheesecake Factory® or P.F. Chang's® and the third prize winner will receive a gift certificate for the restaurant winner #2 did not choose. Our contest would not have been possible without their contributions and support.

About We Blog the World

We Blog the World, the Globe Voice for Travel and Events, is an online culture and travel magazine focused on unique cultural events and travel experiences for the discerning, well-traveled globetrotter. Dedicated to the human side of travel, We Blog the World captures stories, experiences and visual highlights from every continent in the world through a community of independent voices. Follow We Blog the World on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/weblogtheworld, on YouTube and on Pinterest at: http://www.pinterest.com/weblogtheworld.com.

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