



## *Audubon* Magazine Photography Contest

In Association with *Nature's Best Photography Magazine*,  
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*Audubon* magazine is launching the 2009 *Audubon* Magazine Photography Awards: Birds in Focus, created to celebrate the beauty and diversity of birdlife through the art of photography, and to honor the exceptional work of talented professional, amateur, and youth photographers from all over the U.S.

*Audubon* will be accepting submissions online until July 15 in three categories: Professional, Amateur, and Youth. Photographers are encouraged to reveal a new angle or perspective in their work. "Think creatively," advises *Audubon's* design director Kevin Fisher, one of the judges. "Originality and drama rank high at *Audubon*. Include tight shots, such as close-ups of eyes, feathers. We welcome uncommon perspectives."

Other judges include renowned wildlife photographer Joel Sartore, a regular contributor to *Audubon* and *National Geographic*; Kim Hubbard, longtime *Audubon* photography editor and an accomplished photographer in her own right whose work featuring the birds of Bonaire is currently on exhibit at the Greenwich (CT) Audubon Center; and Steve Freligh, publisher of *Nature's Best Photography*.

The Award winners will be announced in December and will see their work showcased within the pages of both *Audubon* and *Nature's Best Photography* magazines, as well as on their respective websites. An impressive array of prizes will be awarded, including top-of-the-line photo and optic equipment from award sponsor, Nikon. **Prizes include:**

- Journey to Peru's Tambopata National Reserve (Inkaterra Amazonica Lodge)
- An ultimate birding safari to Australia's "Top End," the Northern Territory
- 14-day Tropical Rivers and Rainforest cruise through South America (Travel Dynamics International)
- Opportunity to travel to Honduras with *Audubon* wildlife photographer Roy Toft as your photographer/guide (Roy Toft Photo Safaris and Pico Bonito Lodge)
- A Nikon D80 digital SLR camera, 18-55mm NIKKOR VR lens, and a set of Nikon EDG 8x32 binoculars

**Submissions:** Accepted May 15–July 15, 2009. Up to 10 images per entrant. For details, visit [www.AudubonMagazinePhotoAwards.com](http://www.AudubonMagazinePhotoAwards.com)