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# Announcing the winners...

## Black and White Spider Awards 2006



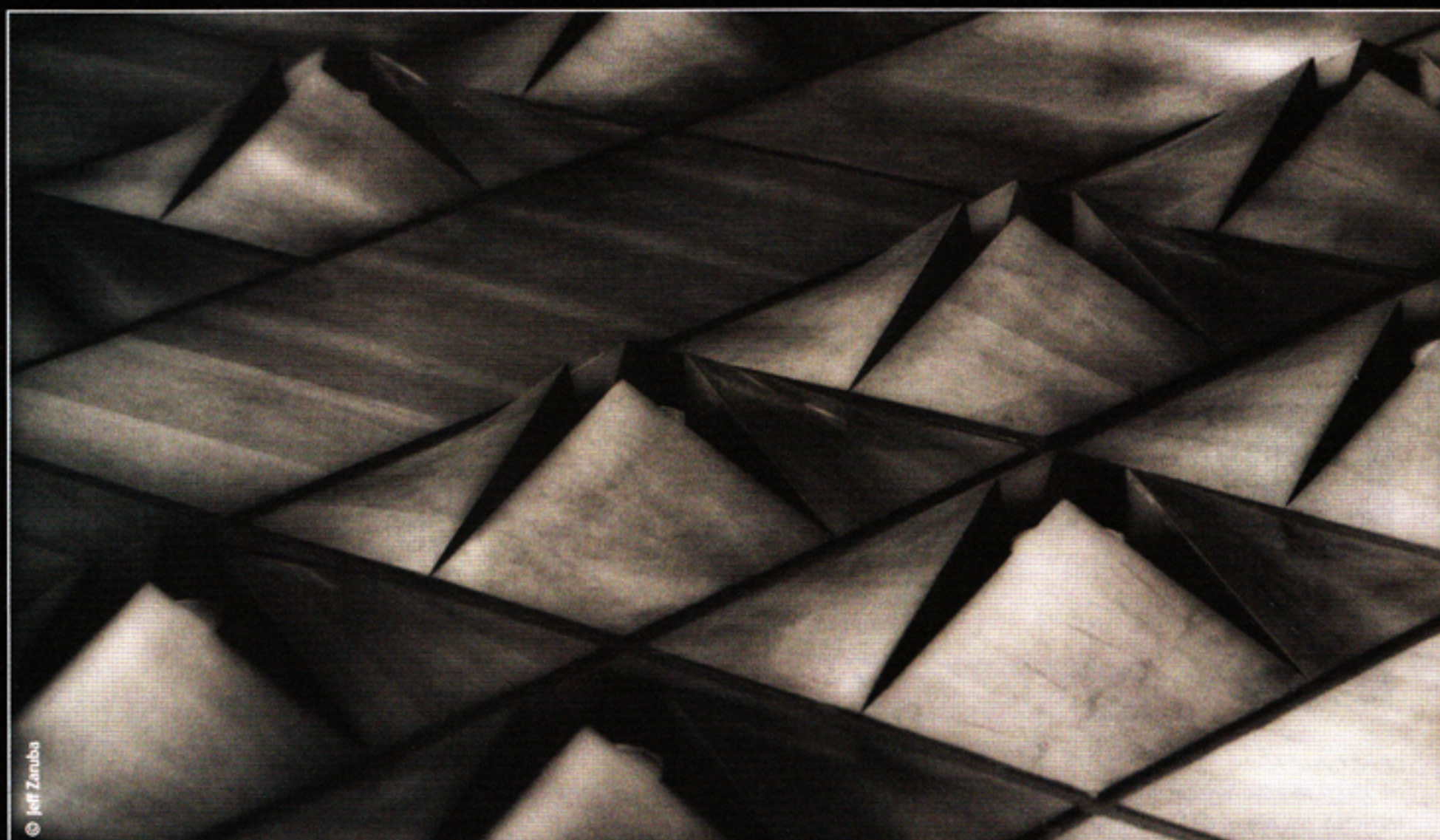
Danielle Herzog from the USA impressed the judges with this quirky image

Last issue we showcased some of the talented work of the best amateur and professional black-and-white photographers around the world, in association with Black and White Spider Awards. We also promised to reveal the winners of the 2nd Annual Awards competition as soon as they were announced. Now, after an exclusive online Nominations and Winners Presentation, which attracted an audience of photography fans from 30 different countries, we are proud to display the cream of the crop – the 2006 winners – in the pages of *Digital Photography User*.

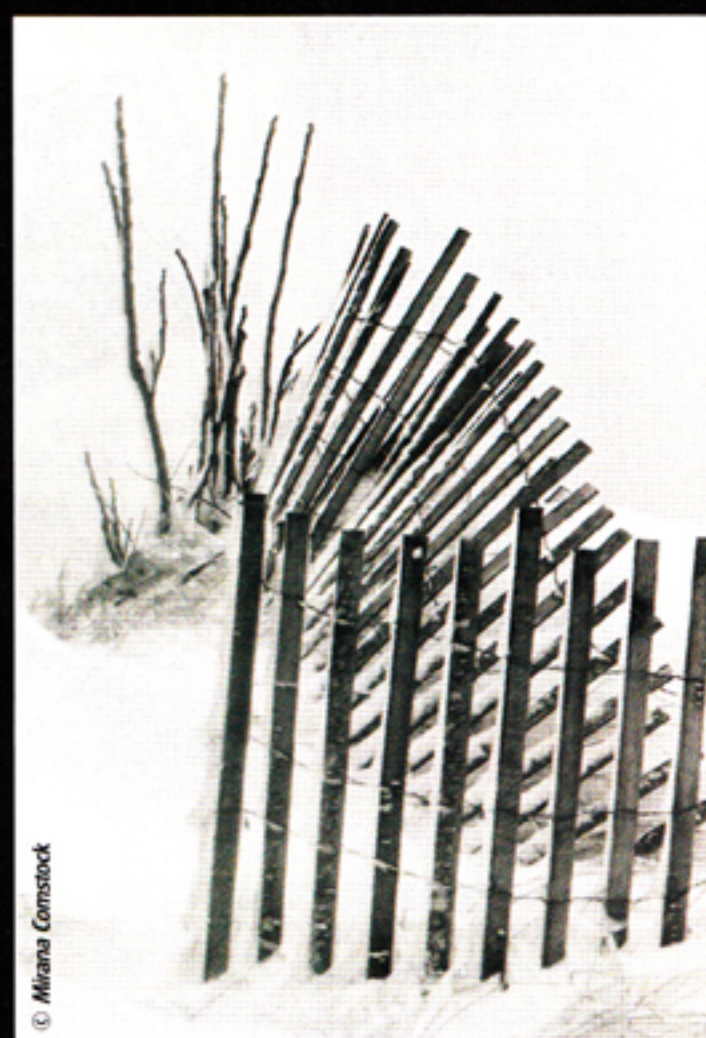
Photographers whose work demonstrated the highest degree of achievement in black and white were nominated by a 'who's who' panel of

international names including Magnum Photos-New York, Bonni Benrubi, Leica Photo Gallery, PDN, Man Ray Trust, Communication Arts, Fratelli Alinari Museum-Florence, *Black & White* magazine, Tate Gallery and Hamiltons-London.

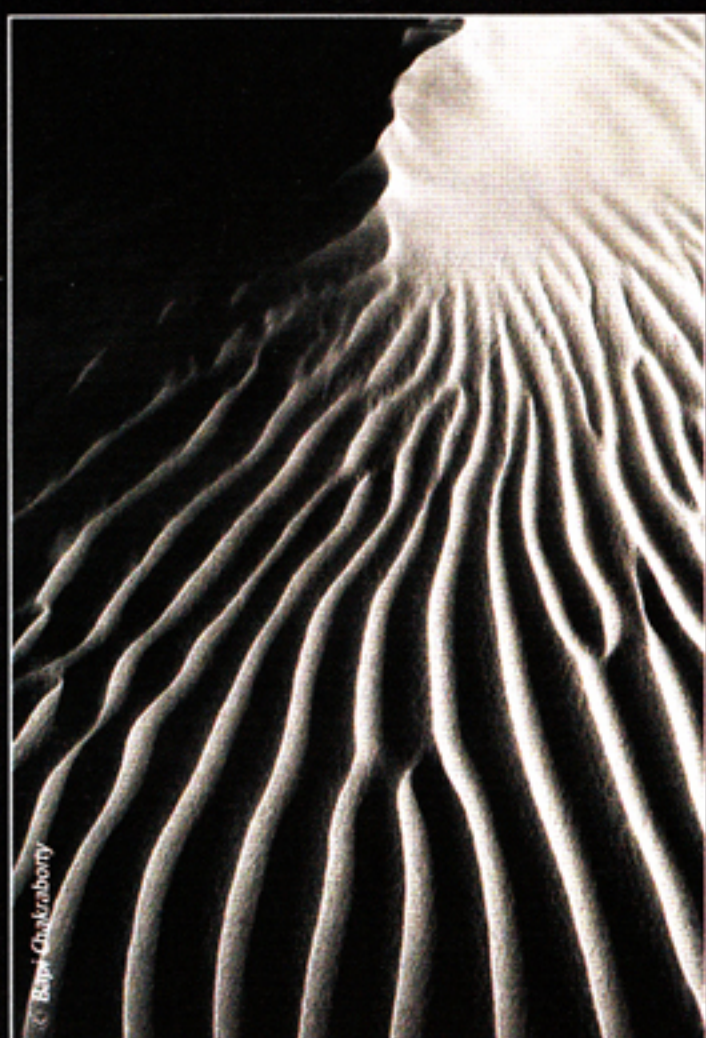
As you can see from the images displayed here, the competition crosses all categories of photography: Abstract, Advertising, Architectural, Fashion, Fine Art, Nature, Nude, People, Photojournalism, Sport, Silhouette, Still Life and Vintage. Both amateurs and professional photographers can enter their photos for judging. So, whatever your passion and skill level, there's no excuse for not getting involved. See the next page for how to enter, or visit [www.thespiderawards.com](http://www.thespiderawards.com).



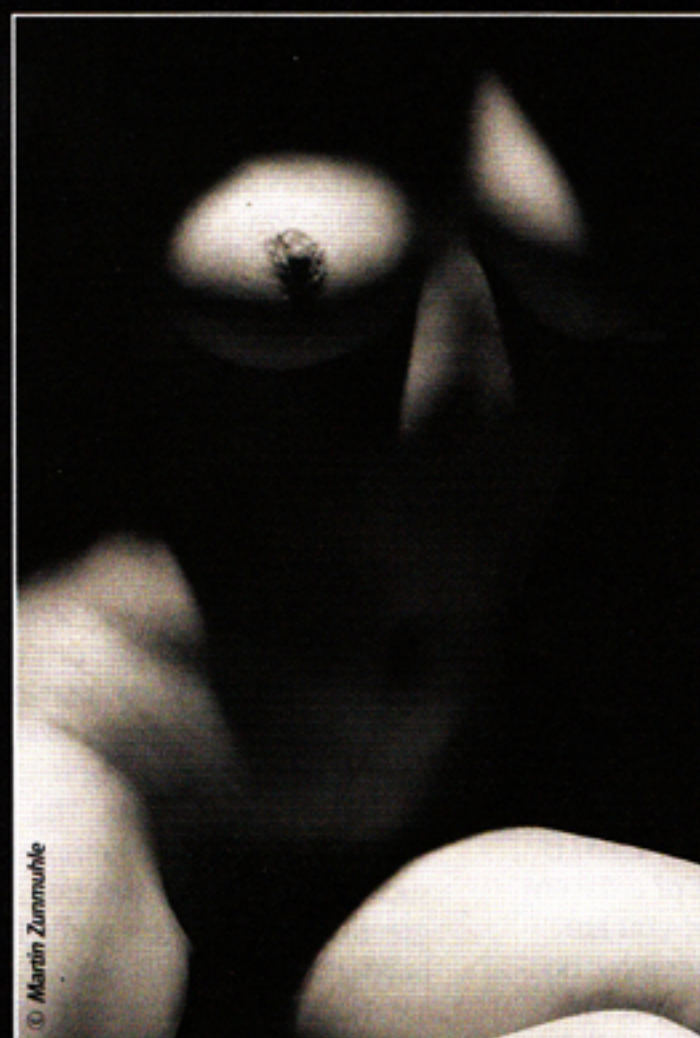
Jeff Zaruba of the USA received the highest accolade this year, and becomes the Black and White Spider Awards Professional Photographer of the Year



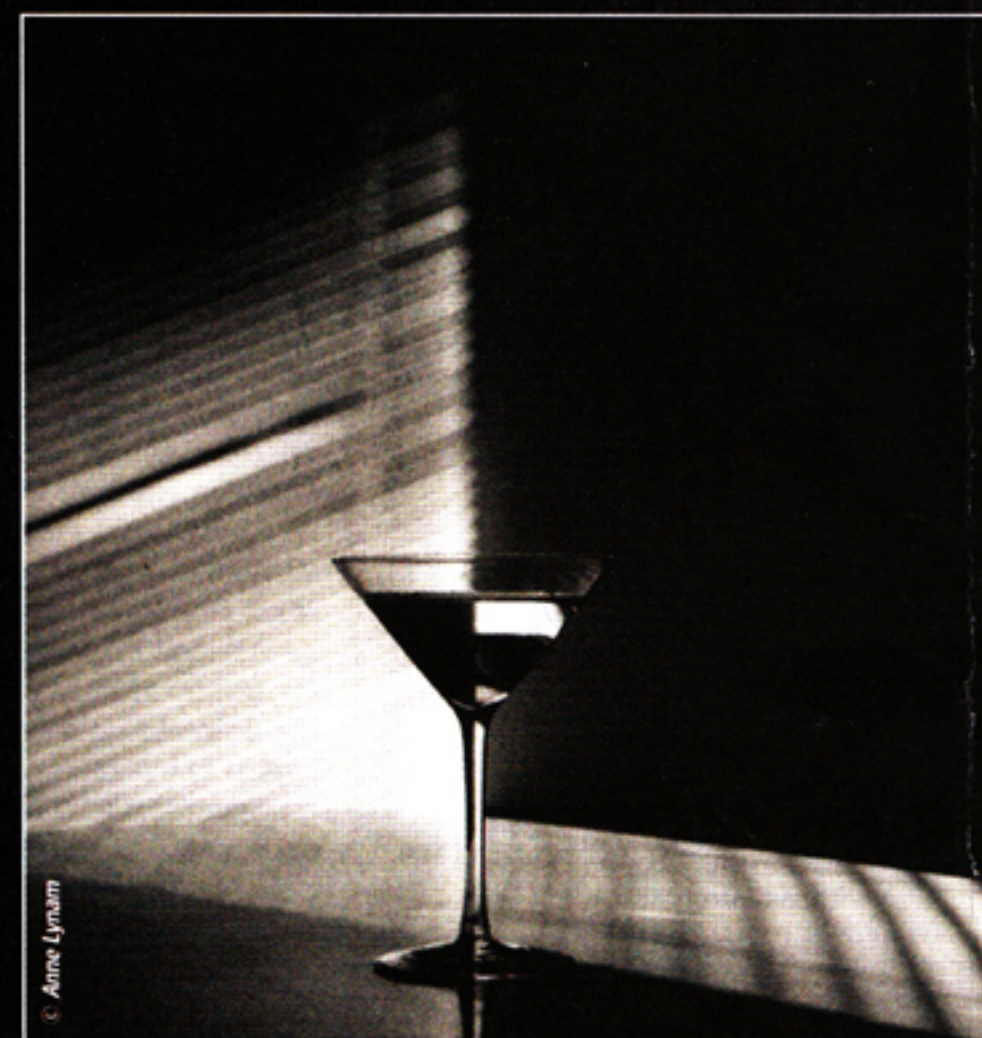
This wintry composition was artistically snapped up by Mirana Comstock of the USA



Black and white clings to textural abstracts, as Bapi Chakraborty from Canada emphasises here



Martin Zumühle from Switzerland and his nude received compliments from the judges



Australian photographer, Anne Lynam, has managed to capture a stylish still life that epitomises the classic appeal of black-and-white photography



## BLACK AND WHITE *Spider Awards*

Judged by the most respected names in photography, nominees vie for 101 coveted title awards and the grand title award Black and White Spider Awards Photographer of the Year. 1st Place Photographer of the Year winners are the recipients of the ILFORD Creative Excellence Prize and the professional winner also receives a day's studio time in top New York

photography studio SoHoSoleil Studio Loft Locations in the heart of Manhattan's Soho district. Clients include David Bowie, Iman, Kate Moss, Kirsten Dunst and ABC Television. Winning images from each Annual Awards are published in numerous leading photography publications worldwide, including *Digital Photography User*.



Sheila Smart of Australia bagged the award for 2006 Amateur Photographer of the Year with this monochrome sea of hats

### HOW TO ENTER

Black and White Spider Awards is open to professional and amateur photographers shooting in all forms of black-and-white photography using traditional or digital methods. The aim of the Awards is to showcase the power of black-and-white photography and bring to light photographers who are driven by their artistic eye and a desire to excel in this classic form. We encourage both classic styles and new creative ideas.

Participate in the world's premier black-and-white photographic showcase by entering now! Visit [www.thespiderawards.com](http://www.thespiderawards.com) for details.



Black and white at its best by Jacquelyn Schechter from the USA



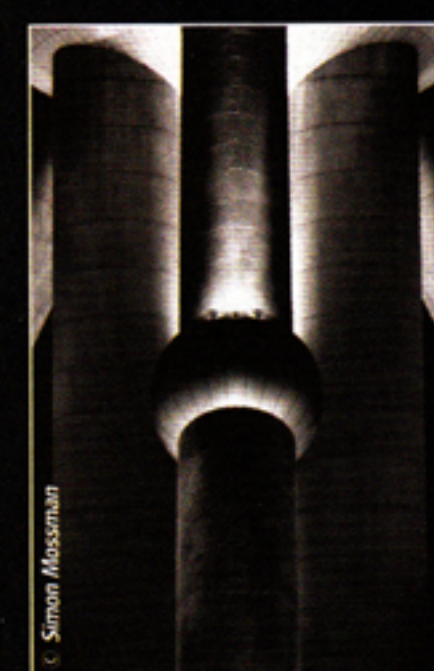
This striking composition was photographed by Happy Walters, USA



Breny Jones represents the UK with a shot of G8 summit photojournalism



Ktrill Surov from Canada shined in the People category of photographs



This architectural delight was lucky for Simon Mossman of Australia