

**MAXIMUM ENTRIES.** Each member may submit a total of four projected images and four prints in each competition, October through March, however only a maximum of two projected images and two prints can be submitted in any one of the four categories

**Note: Several of the SLCC Categories are also used in PSA and ACCC competitions. They have the same name as the SLCC categories but may have different definitions and restrictions. If you plan to enter a PSA or ACCC competition with the same or a similar name, review the requirements on the host organization's website.**

**October 2026**  
**Open.**

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allowed. (SLCC definition of Nature differs from national or international definitions)

**Theme Old Buildings:** Old Building doesn't have a single, universally fixed definition, but generally it refers to a structure that has stood for a significant amount of time and reflects construction methods, materials, or styles from a past era. The image may be color or monochrome or creative, but the subject must be predominately an Old Building.

## **November 2026**

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**ACCC Subject: Silhouette. No definition.**

## **December 2026**

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**Theme: Something with Wheels.** There is no definition nor any restriction. The image may be color or monochrome or creative, but the subject must be predominately something with wheels

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**Theme: Trees.** There is no definition nor any restriction. The image may be color or monochrome or creative, but the subject must be predominately trees.

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**ACCC Subject: Eyes. No definition.**

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**Theme: Red.** There is no restriction, but the image tone or subject must be predominately Red.

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