



The MINISTRY OF ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

in collaboration with

The MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, DISASTER AND RISK MANAGEMENT  
and  
THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF VACOAS PHOENIX

**55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Independence and 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Republic of Mauritius**  
**Vintage Photography Competition**  
**Criteria for Participation**

**A. General Background.**

1. To mark the **55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Independence and 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Republic of Mauritius**, the Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage in collaboration with the Ministry of Local Government, Disaster and Risk Management is organizing a Vintage Photography Competition at the level of each District Council and Municipal Council which will culminate into a National Vintage Photography Exhibition.

**B. Criteria for participation**

1. The competition is open to all residents of the town of Vacoas-Phoenix aged 18yrs or above.
2. The applicants are invited to propose original photograph(s) (black and white or coloured in hard copy) from personal or family collections that portrays the multifaceted aspect of Mauritius between years.
3. The photograph(s) may show a period in time depicting a particular happening which is historic, economic, cultural or social.
4. No digital photography, digitally enhanced photos, photo-montage or edited pictures will be considered.
5. Only clean photos with no or minor alterations will be considered.
6. Poor quality or damaged photos will not be considered.
7. Applicants can submit to a maximum of 3 photos per entry.
8. The photos are to be submitted along with the year of creation, a short description and name of the photographer, in case the photo is not property of the applicant.
9. The proposed photos should be **original**. Reproduction of any published photo will not be accepted.
10. The proposed photos shall not have been exhibited nor published, nor made public.
11. When signing the participation form, the participant should certify that the photograph(s) proposed is/are their ownership or immediate relative's (to specify in the participation form). The Ministry will not be held responsible for any copyright issues in case of contestation and the onus will be on the applicant to provide evidence/permission of ownership.

12. A Jury panel shall be responsible for the selection exercise.
13. The jury's decision shall be final and irrevocable.
14. Cash Prizes will be awarded as follows for the competition at:
  - (1) Regional level
    - a) 1<sup>st</sup> Prize -Rs 5,000/-.
    - b) 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize-Rs 3,000/-.
    - c) 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize- Rs 2,000/-.
  - (ii) National level
    - a) 1<sup>st</sup> Prize -Rs 25,000/-.
    - b) 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize-Rs 15,000/-.
    - c) 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize- Rs 10,000/-
15. The participant shall permit the Ministry to digitalise and print of the photograph(s) in format to be decided which will be included in the exhibition catalogue.
16. The Ministry reserves the right to reproduce the selected photos both on digital and traditional media and to disseminate the photos/images on any other platforms in connection with activities in the context of the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Independence and 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Republic of Mauritius. During this period the applicant shall not have the right to reproduce the selected photo on any platform.
17. The Ministry will supply the selected participants/photographer with credit/attribution for all uses of the photos.
18. Two photo exhibitions will be organised with the selected photos at regional (District and Municipal Councils) and national level.
19. The original photo will be returned to the participants following the two exhibitions.
20. The Ministry shall acknowledge the ownership of the photograph(s) where applicable and when it is being used.
21. The Ministry is under no obligation to provide any justification for non-acceptance any application.
22. The Ministry reserves the right not to select any photos following this advertisement.
23. The closing date for submission of entries is Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023
24. The photos together with the application form should be deposited at the

Main library of the Municipal Council of Vacoas Phoenix,  
Town Hall,  
St Paul Avenue,  
Vacoas

For any additional queries, kindly contact the Main Library on 697 6767 or 606 3518.