Photo fest in BRAC University

Compelling, inspiring and brilliant – these were the words that perhaps rambled through the minds of those who attended the four-day Photo Fest 2011 at the BRAC University recently. The annual photo festival was organised by BRAC University Photography Club transforming the empty university auditorium into a vibrant gallery.

The festival exhibited more than sixty photographs selected from a pool of around 400 submissions in three separate categories – nature, life and action. The aim was to promote the gifted talents of participating photographers who represented various academic programs of the university.

Ishika Alim received the Juror’s Honour Award, while the First Prizes went to Ofelia Mahjabin Islam in the Action category, Syeda Mushda Ali in Life and Raiyan Ul Momin in the Nature category. Hiba Sharfuddin, A.M. Reasad Azim Bappi and Wasiul Haque were awarded second in categories of Action, Life and Nature respectively, while Mayisha Samiha, Tanvir Md. Faysal Alam and Raiyan Ul Momin all secured third position in the same categories.

“The exhibition would not have been as successful without the support and cooperation all our members. We hope to see just as much enthusiasm in the future programmes,” said Bidoura Mosharraf, a participant from the department of architecture.

Vice-Chancellor of BRAC University Dr Ainun Nishat graced the award giving ceremony. Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Registrar of BRACU, jurors B.K.S. Inan and Hasan Chandan, representatives from the sponsors Structural Engineers Limited (SEL) and Novelty Biscuit, were also present during the ceremony.

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