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Photography

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Thank You Judges

Bob Elbert
Bruce Sundeen
Dave Lundquist
Ellis R. Vidmar
Erin De Tar Keirnes
Jim Dickrell
Josey Mestagh
Kensie Darst-Todd
Kurt Lawton
Matt Addington
Michael Geissinger
Mitchell Alcala
Phylicia Mau
Priscilla Mau
Ricardo Vela
Russell Graves
Suzanne Steel
Tony Small
Tracy Courage

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Portrait/Personality

Portrait/Personality

3rd place

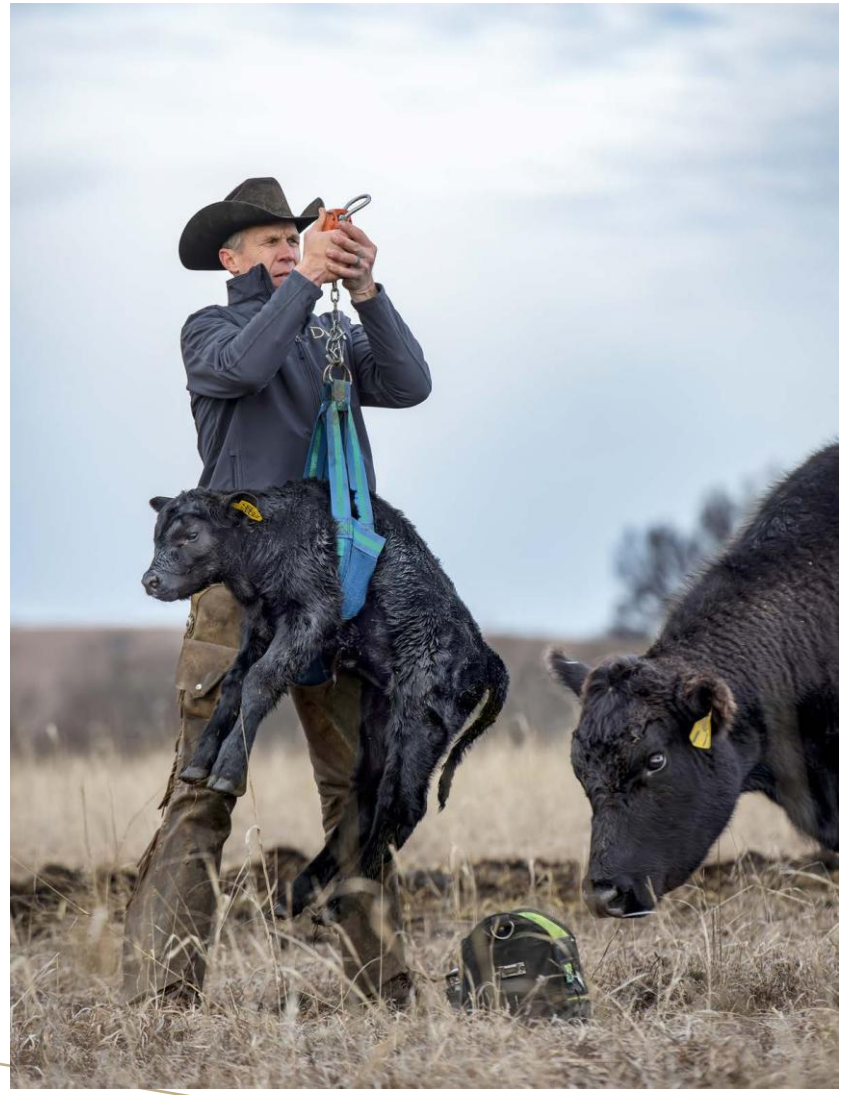


"Sam Slater" Andy Castillo, Farm Progress

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Portrait/Personality

2nd place



"Weighing the Cattle Market"
Joel Reichenberger
DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Portrait/Personality

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"Coliseum Judgement" Devin Bollman, Illinois Beef Association

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Pictorial

Pictorial

3rd place



"Wheat Harvest Wonder" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Pictorial

2nd place



"Bin Bound" Joel Reichenberger, DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Pictorial

1st place



"Mongolian Riders" Steve Werblow, Homestead

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Feature

Feature

3rd place



"Joyful FFA officer team" Ava Splear, Prairie Farmer/Farm Progress

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Feature

2nd place



"Coop Collectors"
Betty Haynes
Midwestern Lens

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Feature

1st place



"Harvest Hugs" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Nuts and Bolts: Livestock

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3rd place



"Field Notes" Joel Reichenberger, DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Nuts and Bolts: Livestock

2nd place



"Checking Cows With Dad" Katie Knapp, The Ag Photographer, The Furrow

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Nuts and Bolts: Livestock

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"Turkeys"
Katie Knapp
The Ag Photographer
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Nuts and Bolts: Crops

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3rd place

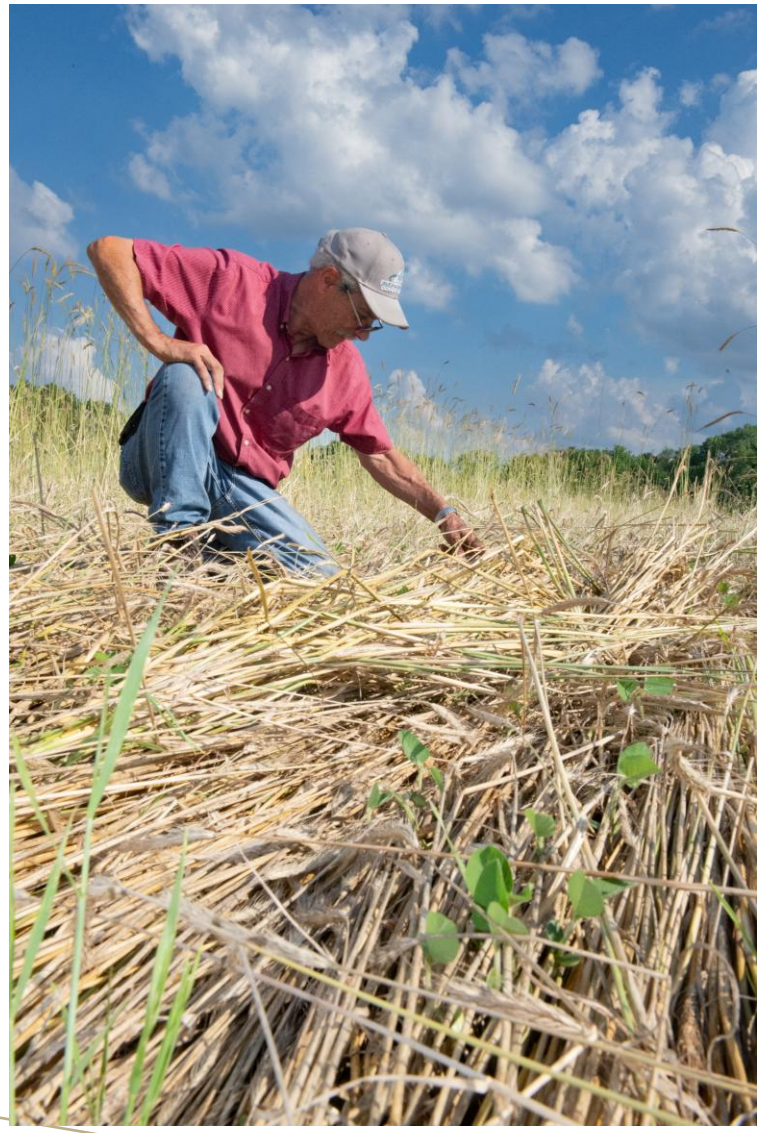


"Morning Rice"
Steve Werblow
The Furrow

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Nuts and Bolts: Crops

2nd place



"No-Till Breakthrough"
Joel Reichenberger
DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Nuts and Bolts: Crops

1st place



"Barley"
Martha Mintz
John Deere

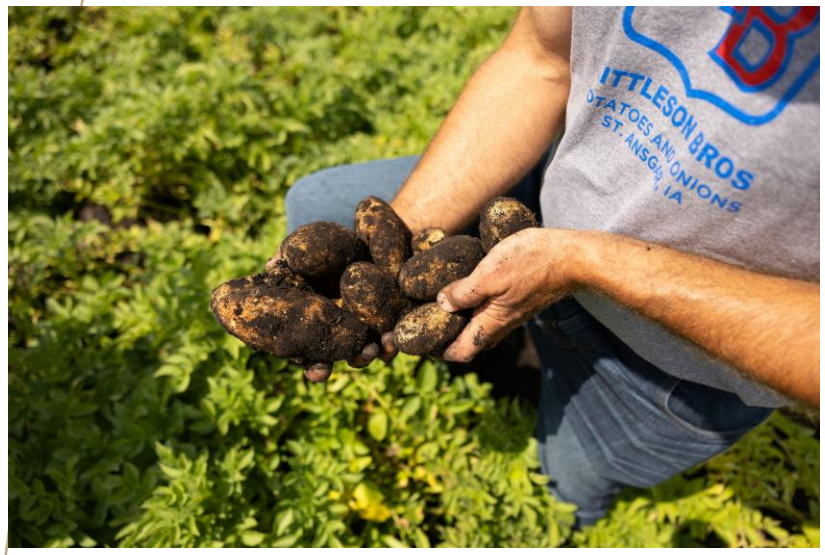
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Picture Story, Photo Sequence, or Photo Essay

Picture Story, Photo Sequence or Photo Essay

3rd place







"Kittleson Brothers" Joclyn Kuboushek, Fresh Pickings Magazine

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Picture Story, Photo Sequence or Photo Essay

2nd place





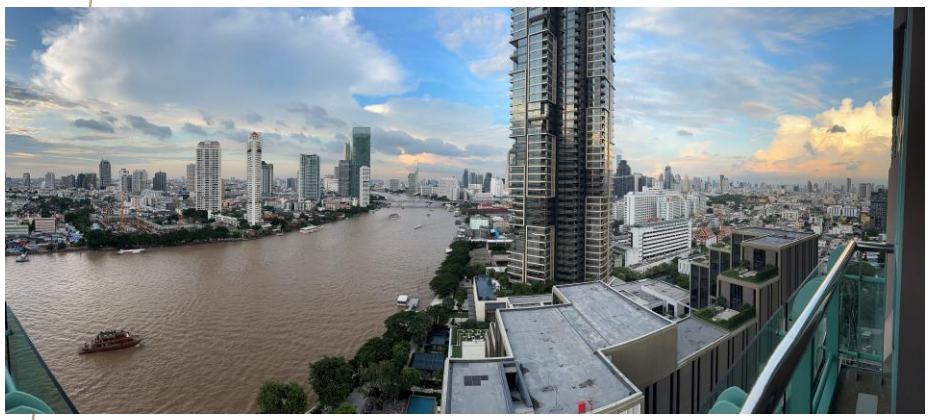


"Boughs that Bind" Katie Knapp, The Ag Photographer, The Furrow

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Picture Story, Photo Sequence or Photo Essay

1st place







"35 Million Guests to Feed" Steve Werblow, The Furrow

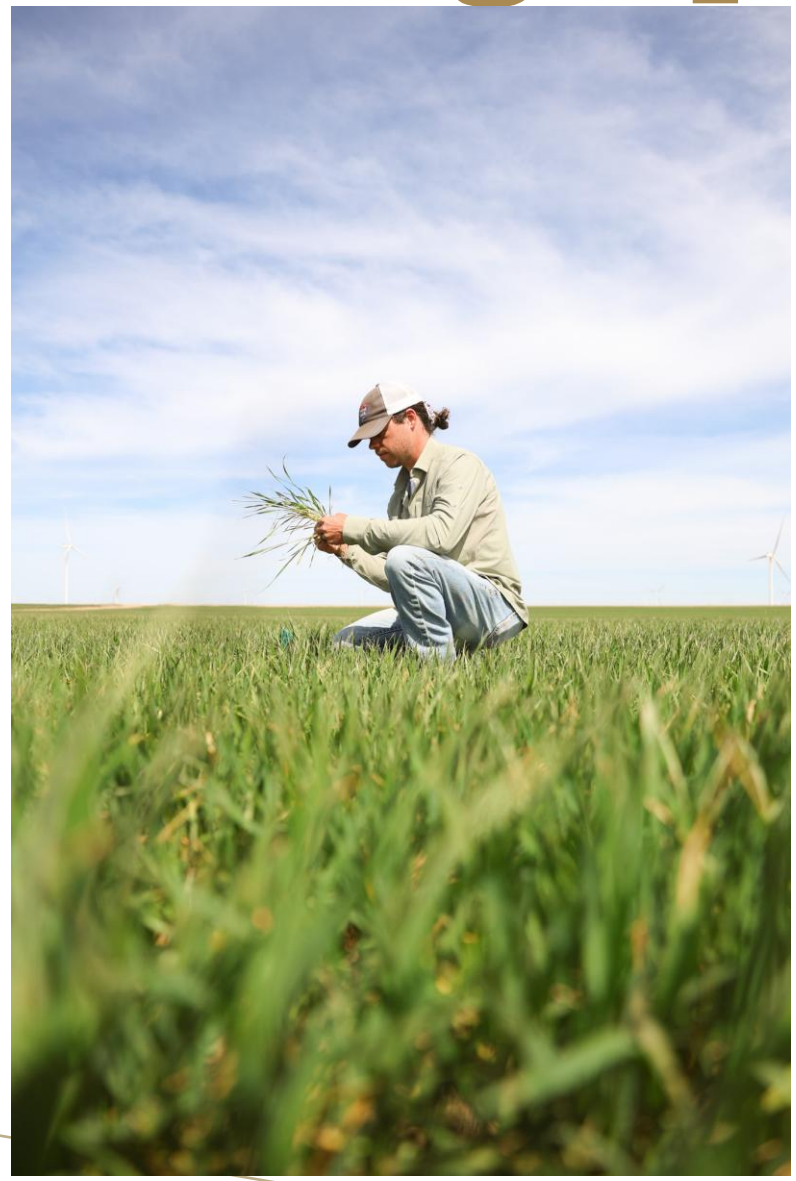
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Emerging Photographer

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"Winter Wheat Scouting"
Jacqueline Wisinski

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Emerging Photographer

2nd place



"She Leads the Way" Molly Biggs, American Angus Association

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Emerging Photographer

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"Pasture Presence" Molly Biggs, American Angus Association

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Photo Illustration

Photo Illustration

3rd place



"Strengthening Soy Connections"
Erin Worrell
U.S. Soybean Export Council

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Photo Illustration

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"Farm Store"
Joel Reichenberger
DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Photo Illustration

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"Furry Friends" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Unpublished Photos

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"Chicken Tenders"
Betty Haynes
Midwestern Lens

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"Trucker Trails" EllaMae Reiff, DTN/Progressive Farmer

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"White Sunset" Joel Reichenberger, DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Advertorial Photos

Advertorial Photos

2nd place



"Red vs. Green" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Advertorial Photos

1st place



"Dramatic Demos" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Rotating Theme: When the Sun Goes Down

Rotating Theme: Cell Phone

3rd place

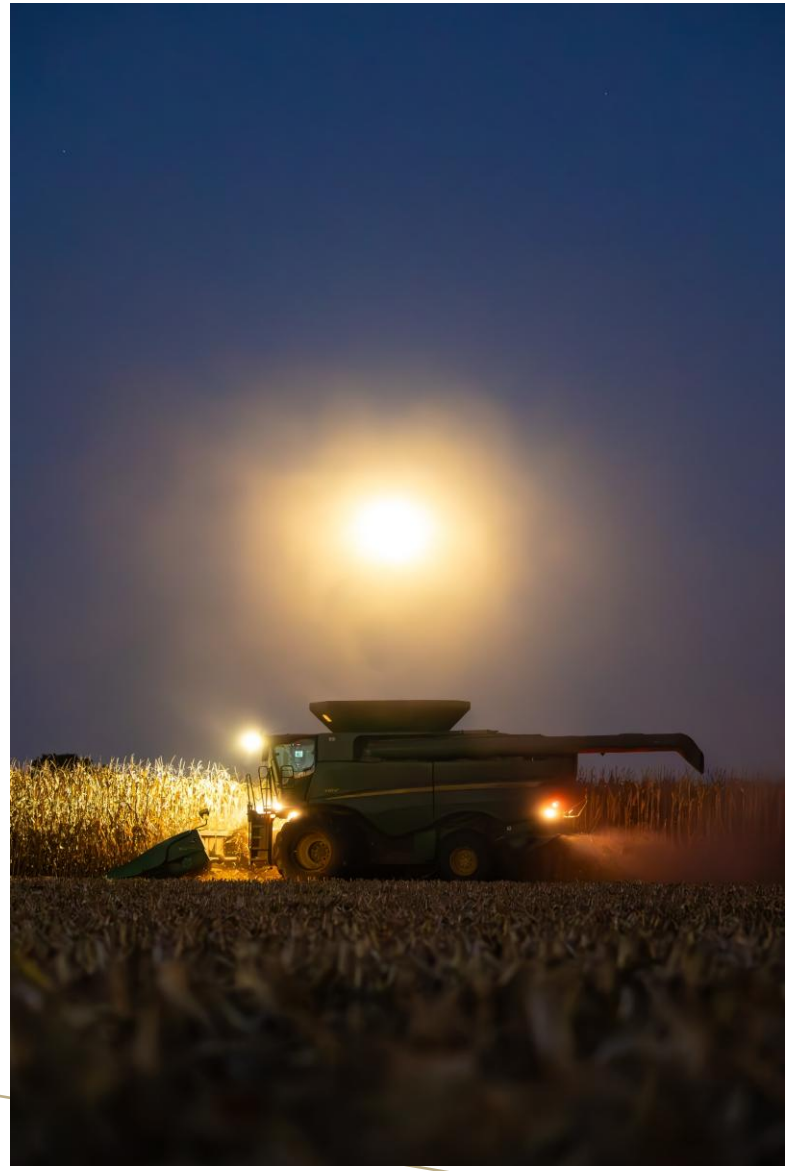


"Young Soybean Plant" Elaine Shein, DTN/Progressive Farmer

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Rotating Theme: Cell Phone

2nd place



"Harvest Moon Glow"
Betty Haynes
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Rotating Theme: Cell Phone

1st place



"Late Night Harvest" Joel Reichenberger, DTN/Progressive Farmer

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2027 Rotating Theme

"The Sound of Agriculture"

Photography naturally appeals to one of our five senses, but can it represent at least a second? Can "hear" a photo? What about a shot of a bellowing cow? Or a farmer checking a belt on a rattling, running combine? What about a buzzing hive of bees or rain plopping on green leaves in a field of corn? We all can see your photo, but this year, get abstract and think loud because judges will be asking if they can hear it, as well.

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Digitally Enhanced Photos

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2nd place



"Stampede" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Digitally Enhanced Photos

1st place



"Harvest the Moon" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Master Photography Program



Joclyn Kuboushek
EllaMae Reiff
Jacqueline Wisinski
Erin Worrell

Level Two

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Molly Biggs
Ava Splear

Level Three



Devin Bollman

Level Four

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Photo of the Year

Photo of the Year



"Harvest Hugs" Betty Haynes, Midwestern Lens

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Photographer of the Year Honorable Mention



Joel Reichenberger

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Congratulations 2026 Photography Contest Winners