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**EAST LEYDEN PHOTOGRAPHY STUDENTS FINALISTS IN 37TH ANNUAL
COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

East Leyden sophomore Julia Rzasinska and junior Sandra Samborski have been selected as finalists in the 37th Annual College and High School Photography Contest. This year 13,000 works were submitted to the contest. Out of that number only 823 photos were selected as finalists.

Julia and Sandra will have their works published in the Best of High School and College Photography of 2017, a hardcover book that will include the reproduction of photographs in the winner, finalist and honorable mention categories.

Julia's photo titled *Huedesa* is the result of an experiment with Photoshop filters. Two images were layered and the resulting image occurred when the layers blended. One layer was a mix of colors that rendered the image of a figure that resembles Medusa. Hence the title *Huedesa* – a combination of “hue” and “Medusa”.

Sandra's entry *Wind Carved* is a shot of a rock formation sculpted by the force of the wind and other elements over time.

The contest is sponsored by *Photographer's Forum Magazine*, a publication that reproduces high quality photographs and Sigma Corporation of America, a camera and lens manufacturing company.

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