

# APO Photo Contest winners

We received a total of 841 entries, of which 633 were from Vietnam, from 292 shutterbugs from 12 countries for the 2006 APO Photo Contest. The response and the quality of the entries exceeded expectations. The panel of five distinguished judges, Cambodian Ambassador to Japan Pou Sothirak, Iranian Ambassador to Japan Mohsen Talaei, professional photographer Sanae Numata, Director of the Photographic Society of Japan Shigeru Chatani, and APO Secretary-General Shigeo Takenaka met on 3 October to select the winning entries and five for merit prizes. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all those who participated in the contest. Our warmest congratulations go to the winners, who more than deserve their prizes. We are also very grateful to Fujifilm for donating the cameras. The winning entries will be featured on the APO 2007 calendar. Winning photos can be seen on the APO Web site: [http://www.apo-tokyo.org/photo\\_contest/winners.htm](http://www.apo-tokyo.org/photo_contest/winners.htm). The winners are:

- Gold Prize:** Hoang Thach Van (Vietnam)
- Silver Prizes:** Dang Ngoc Thai (Vietnam)  
Hoang Thanh Thuy (Vietnam)
- Bronze Prizes:** Ho Thi My Lan (Vietnam)  
Le Thi Hong Lien (Vietnam)  
Nguyen Minh Hai (Vietnam)
- Special Prizes:** Chedchanok Senanunsakul (Thailand)  
Thantip Manomaiphan (Thailand)  
Titipong Sukpaiboonwat (Thailand)  
Voranuch Manomaiphan (Thailand)  
Nguyen Thi Nhu Tuong (Vietnam)  
Thai Thien Vinh (Vietnam)
- Merit Prizes:** D.N. Baraskar (India)  
Subodh M. Natu (India)  
Yuko Ishigure (Japan)  
Gurrinchin Erdenetuya (Mongolia)  
Tran Thi Hoa (Vietnam)