Do I need to be a professional photographer to enter this competition?

Absolutely not. However the judges will assess images that are professional - that are of good resolution and that reflect the theme of the competition. You can learn more about our review process here: How is content reviewed

How do I make sure my photographs answer the theme of the competition?

Do not send holiday snaps or random photos. Grab your camera and let the world inspire your creativity. You need to send a triptych - three themed photographs - that tell the story of the person(s) in your shoot.

You can have the same person in all three photographs. The best way to establish if they fit together is by putting them side by side: would your triptych stand out within a photographic exhibition? Do the three photographs convey an immediate and a strong message? Are the technical characteristics - lighting/contrast etc, harmonious in all three photographs? **See sample submission on page 2-3.**

What is an artistic statement?

It is a brief 30-word description of your submission. For example, this is what finalist Erhan Ucar stated when he submitted his 3-photo social reportage for 'Migration, Stories of a Journey':
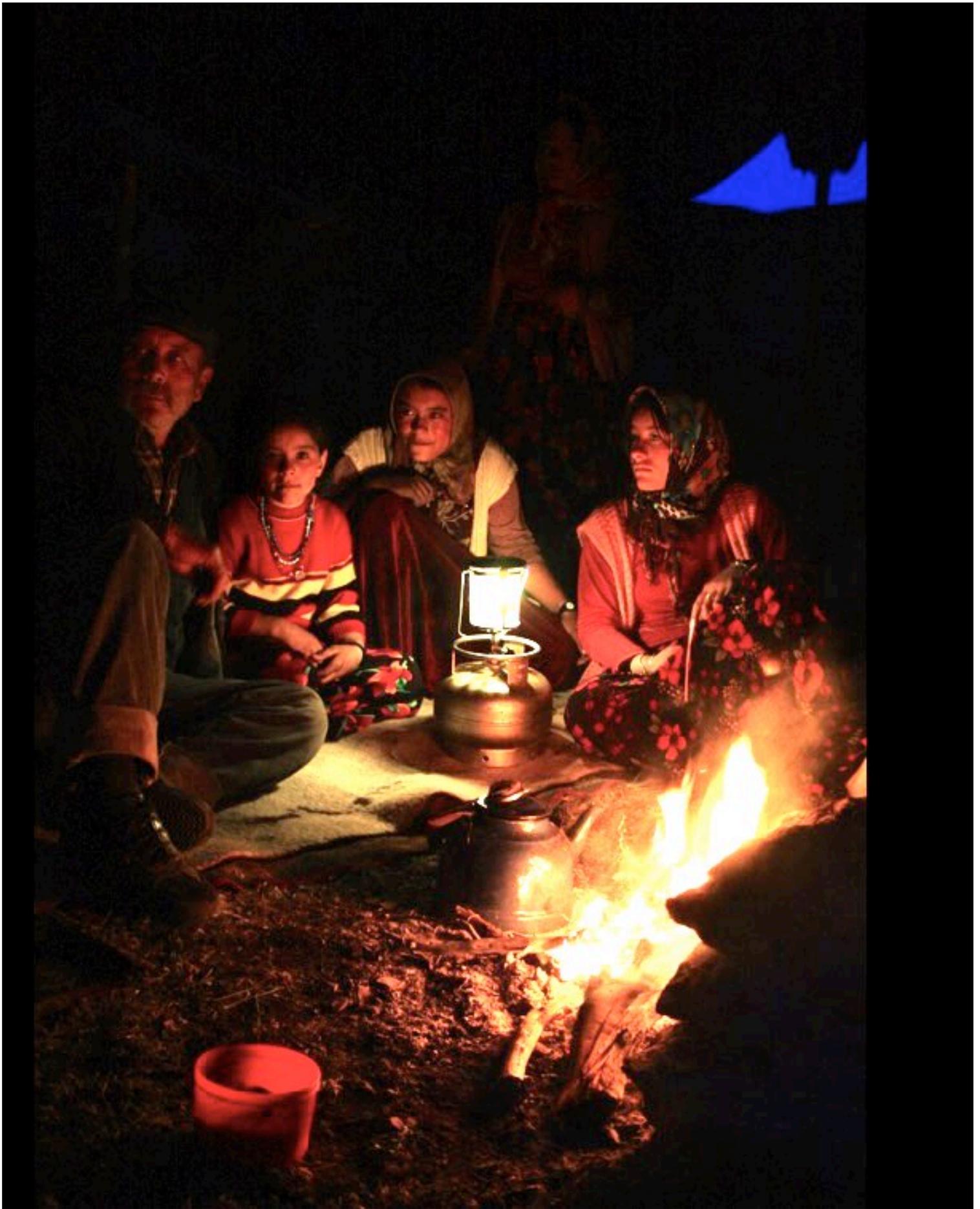
Having lived in Anatolia for almost 1000 years, the last of the Sarıkeçililer nomadic tribes are being forced to settle down. In these photos two young sisters, Zehra and Azra, reflect on their options for the future with their family.

Why do you need three photographs

By submitting three themed images the judges can formulate a better assessment of your work. It also rules out the single, lucky photograph and motivates photographers to produce a submission specifically for this competition.

Colour or black & white?

All three photographs in COLOUR please.

What about rights? Do I give them up?

Not at all! Youmanity is *not* harvesting for Free pics. Photographers keep 100% copyright of their work. Youmanity's only motivation is to raise awareness of an important social issue.

why can't I upload?

There are a few common situations that could be causing issues with our uploader. You can upload photographs of up to 3MB each. If you have problems uploading the images, please send your submission via Wetransfer to one@youmanity.today

What's a pixel, and how do I know if I have enough of them?

A pixel is a unit of measurement. It's what computers use to measure image sizes. With that as the preface, it would be best to upload images of at least 3000 pixels on its longest side. To find out how many pixels your image has, open it in a photo editing, or photo viewing application. Most applications should have a straightforward menu system which should lead you to "image dimensions," "image size," or "get info." Once there, you should see the width and height of your image in pixels.

Bigger (or more pixels) is always better, so just upload (or send via Wetransfer) the largest available version of your photo. PLEASE NOTE you can upload each photograph at 3MB

How do I submit my photographs?

You can submit your photographs by simply dragging your three images, 3MB each max, straight onto our website. You can also drag your CV onto the same spot. Should you have any problems uploading the files, please use Wetransfer.

What are the guidelines for photo submission?

- JPEG format.
- You must be the photographer and have rights to upload the photo.

Our judges are unlikely to award photographs that do not adhere to the following:

- No obtrusive text (or watermarks) on photo.
- No collages.
- No enlargements. Just upload your photo in its original size.
- No heavy digital manipulations (fake items in photo, etc.).

What is the size indicator when uploading?

The size indicator tells you how big each photo could run in print, if selected we will print one of your three photographs at 300dpi, which means we will need your original photo files. **Any other questions, please email one@youmanity.today**

GOOD LUCK!!