ICONIC IMAGES 2016







A celebration upon ending a 108-year championship drought. An act of love days after a village was liberated from ISIS. A moment of reflection after Hillary Clinton became the first woman to be nominated for president by a major U.S. political party. A poignant campus scene as early morning fog embraces a college student, facing a new day.

These are the moments captured in the Libris Iconic Images 2016.

Here at PhotoShelter, we are fortunate to work with thousands of the world's best visual storytellers. We get to see unbelievable photos and videos every day. And when we asked our Libris clients to submit images for this book, we were blown away.

Some of our final selections are visually stunning. Some will make you think. Some will pull at your heartstrings. But they are *all* iconic.

Thank you to everyone who submitted images - what a year. We are grateful to our 400+ Libris clients for your loyalty, and we are honored to be trusted with your incredible imagery. We hope you enjoy the Libris Iconic Images 2016.

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CEO Of PhotoShelter

The Wait Is Over.



Moments after the Chicago Cubs defeated the Cleveland Indians in Game 7 of the 2016 World Series, the team celebrates their first World Series victory in 108 years.



A Johnson County Community College student reads the oath of citizenship during a naturalization ceremony, while friends and family capture the moment on mobile phones.

Photo by Susan McSpadden/Johnson County Community College

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When a village outside Mosul, Iraq was liberated from ISIS, the Preemptive Love Coalition delivered a month's supply of food, including bags and bags of flour, which powdered the men doing the heavy lifting.

Raw.



Ravens players mentally prepare to take the field before their matchup with the Oakland Raiders on October 2, 2016.



Storm Clouds over a speeding jet ski at Edgewater Beach in Cleveland in August 2016.

Photo by Kyle Lanzer/Cleveland Metroparks

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Approximately 1,000 people gathered at a memorial service in the Memorial Student Center amphitheater on November 3, 2016 to pay their respects to Hussain Saeed Alnahdi, an international student at University of Wisconsin-Stout who was fatally injured in an attack early Sunday, Oct. 30, in downtown Menomonie, WI.

The service, attended by members of the UW-Stout and Menomonie communities and beyond, included a prayer in Arabic, remembrances from Hussain's closest friends and teachers, a candlelight vigil and words from University of Wisconsin System President Ray Cross and UW-Stout officials. Pictured from left are Alnahdi's roommate Thomas "Tommy" Hutson and fellow international student Omar Alkohmos.

Photo by Brett T. Roseman/UW-Stout



Connected.



Sarah Matheson covered the 2016 Democratic National Convention in Philadephia as a volunteer Social Media Photographer. She captured this photo on a Canon 5DMIII, but managed to beat iPhones to social media with fast upload and distribution to her team. The image appeared across Facebook, Snapchat and Twitter immediately after President Obama's speech. On Facebook alone, it received 100K likes in 31 minutes. Total reach was in the millions.



In September, the University of Tennessee Volunteers went head to head with the Virginia Tech Hokies at the Bristol Motor Speedway in Bristol, TN - the first time a NASCAR speedway venue hosted a college football game. The matchup was coined "college football's biggest ever," with a seating capacity of 153,000.



Pure elation on the sidelines as the The 2015-2016 Clarkson University Women's Basketball team scores a victory during its the best season in over 25 years, winning the Liberty League title.

Eternal.



Summertime in Aappilattoq, Greenland, home to 107 residents, illustrates the harmony and tension between nature and human living. Perhaps you didn't even notice the village given how huge and fantastically overwhelming the nature is? That's just how it is in Greenland! This photo was taken by Mads Pihl on a special photo trip - his final hurrah in Greenland, just days before he moved to Sweden with his family to pursue new paths in life!



Gray skies, yes, but early morning sun trumps fog over the Russell Street Track on the Bates campus. The nearly empty track, like the early morning for the student, is just starting its day full of unexpected results.



Cisco the kid returned home after five months at the University of Florida's Whitney Lab, a sea turtle rehab, research, and education hospital in St. Augustine, Florida. Veterinarian Brooke Hurkhalter released the juvenile green sea turtle, one of 60 turtles treated at the facility since it opened last year.



The Dead Sea is located in the Syro-African Rift, a 4000-mile fault line in the earth's crust. The lowest point of dry land on earth is the shoreline of the Dead Sea at 1300 feet below sea level. Since this lake is at the lowest point on Earth, water does not drain from it. Each day, 7 million tons of water evaporate from the lake, leaving salt mineral clusters behind.

Photo by Annie Griffiths/Ripple Effect Images

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Power.



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A view of Lake Oroville's Bidwell Bar Bridge with 96 percent of total capacity, or 117 percent of historical capacity, on May 11th, 2016 in Oroville, CA. The image from 2015 illustrates the stark difference between the water recovery of 2016 and the historic drought just one year earlier.

Photos by:

Kelly M. Grow/California Department of Water Resources Zack Cunningham/California Department of Water Resources



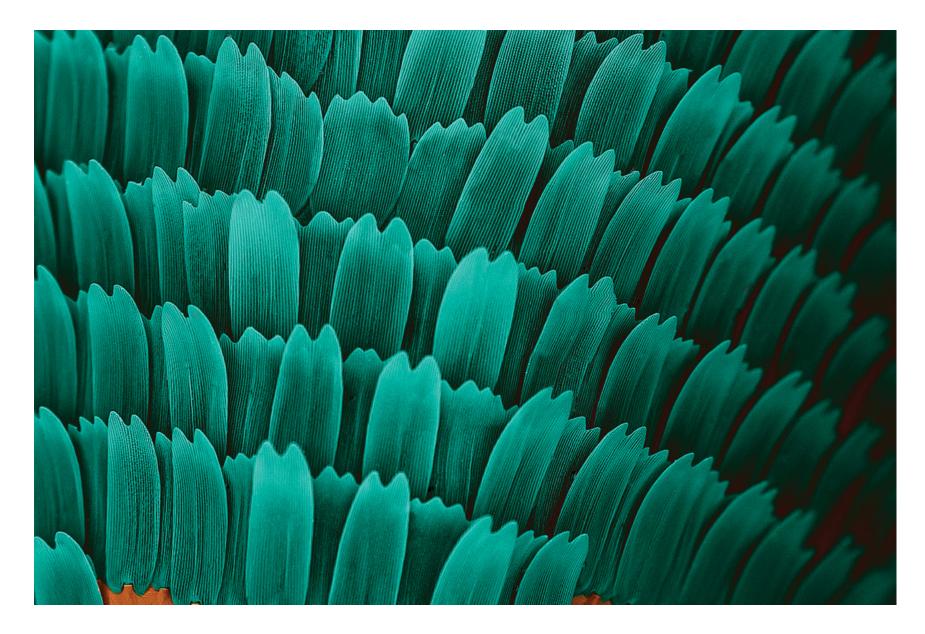
A rainbow has significant meaning to the Navajo people; considered, "A Passageway for Deity." A Navajo friend told me, "When you see a rainbow you may be assured you are on the right path."

My German Shepherd, alarmed by the distant thunder, "warned" me of the encroaching storm. With pup in truck, we trekked 70 miles south to what I thought would be a lightning storm in Monument Valley.

The winds of the storm were so aggressive, dust hid the monuments; we waited, then it began to rain. Out of the clouds a partial double rainbow appeared, shortly thereafter a full rainbow. The valley is so vast I used a special lens, a fish-eye, to capture the scene. "Promise Kept" was taken in Monument Valley Tribal Park. I knew, as soon as I pressed the shutter, I caught an exquisite moment in time. Though I digitally removed my shadow and a couple of cars from the road, no other alterations were made to the picture. While looking closely you will actually see a second rainbow forming over the first full rainbow.

Photo by Anna Day/Utah Office of Tourism

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A new scanning electron microscope photographed a portion of a Monarch butterfly wing in the Kleberg Advanced Microscopy center at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Following the photograph, the colors of the image were enhanced to produce the final product.

Photo by Tomography imaging courtesy of UTSA Kleberg Advanced Microscopy Center Color enhancement by Courtney Campbell UTSA Communications and Marketing

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Congratulations to the teams who created all of the Libris Iconic Images 2016! These images capture the moments that defined 2016.

Thank you to everyone who shared an image with us.

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