

## **Presidential Library Competition Looks** for Foreigners' Photos

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A past winner from the competition.

If you have ever fancied having your photos put into a presidential library, then you have four months to send your shots to the Foreigner's View competition.

The contest, organized by the President Boris Yeltsin Library in St. Petersburg, is open to amateurs and professionals and a select few will go into the library's electronic vaults. It is not only aimed at foreigners who live in Russia but at Russians who live abroad.

The library has seven nominations to send photos in with an overall theme of "The strength of people diplomacy," a perhaps apt theme in a year when tensions have been high between Russia and much of the world. Some of the categories include "Listening to the language of nature," "Man and the digital age," and "Brazil: Distant and close."

The nine winners will receive a digital photo frame, a diploma at an award ceremony in St.

Petersburg and will have their photo blown up into a poster. They will also know that the library will have filed away their shots for posterity.

The competition is in its fifth year. More than 4,000 entries were received last year.

The Yeltsin library was created in 2007 as an electronic rather than physical library and is housed in the Synod building in St. Petersburg.

*See* <u>foreignview.prlib.ru</u> *for more details about the competition. Entries are accepted until Oct. 1.* 

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