



St John's church in Bury St Edmunds is delighted to announce the launch of their GOING SPIRAL photographic competition. Here in the low lands of East Anglia it is more often than not the tall objects that catch our eye and this is the theme of this year-long competition with prizes totalling £2,000.

The spire at St John's, built in 1841, is an impressive 178ft high and it is a striking feature of the Bury St Edmunds skyline. But of course there are many and varied spires and towers looking to the heavens all over the UK, in different settings – ecclesiastical of course but also industrial, urban and rural. These structures take on different aspects through 24 hours and as the seasons progress. Through varied events, weather, light, people, materials, shapes and colours – spires and towers demonstrate the rather special relationship between us and these fabulous tall structures. Striking images with a vertical theme are what we seek to inspire.

The competition is divided into a prize section for Young Photographers aged 18 or under on 5th September 2019 and a prize section for Older Photographers over 18 on 5th September 2019.

The competition will be judged by professional photographers who will decide on the distribution of the £2,000 prize money.

Entries may be submitted in digital or print format.

The winning photographs and the other 'commended' photographs will be exhibited at the Apex and St John's church in Bury St Edmunds during late 2019 and at other venues thereafter.

The competition opens for entries on 5th September 2018

Final entry date is 5th September 2019

Details can be found on the website [www.goingspiral.co.uk](http://www.goingspiral.co.uk)

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