



DAILY DOSE OF AWESOME

National Geographic site featuring readers' photos is inspiring

Surfing the web is an easy way to burn through large chunks of time without realizing it until it's too late.

Usually you're left with a feeling of remorse that you wasted precious hours clicking on misleading links leading to uninteresting information, pictures or videos about people you don't really care about.

But every once in a while, you get sucked into a site that leaves you feeling that you didn't waste your time — you were inspired. **Yourshot.nationalgeographic.com** is one of those sites.



rather are provided by readers from all over the world.

Many of the pictures are submitted by professional photographers, but many also are taken by amateurs. National Geographic

photo editors curate the submissions and choose the best images for publication.

Monthly assignments

Every month the site assigns a different subject. This month's topic is Quiet Moments. Previous assignments were I Love You, Dear Future Generations, Epic, Ocean Encounters and Off the Beaten Path.

Thousands of images are sent in from around the world. The best are published in a gallery on the site. Prior galleries are archived and can be viewed as well.

Galleries are organized in sever-

al ways. The home page features two slide shows. The top one has links to three sections: images of the current featured assignment, a submission page for the next assignment and an entry page for the 2017 Nature Photographer of the Year contest.

The second slide show has images that link to trending subjects and featured photographers. The images are from different assignments but are grouped by common subject matter, such as nature, people, landscapes, wildlife or travel.

There's also an index of all of the subject categories. Clicking

on a subject brings you to a gallery. The top of the page has links to the same subject index, Assignments and Stories, People and an Editors' Spotlight section. You also can register to have a daily shot sent to your Instagram account.

Like everything National Geographic does, this site is well done. It's visually stunning, easy to navigate, educational and inspiring. These images will blow you away.

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