



**AIB Spirit of Father Browne Photography Competition**  
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NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC CONTEST WITH €8,000 PRIZE FUND  
AIB SEEKS MODERN DAY FATHER BROWNES

Father Browne SJ was one of Ireland's finest photographers. From 1894 to 1957, he captured thousands of images of daily life in Ireland and overseas. In 1988 his extensive archive was re-discovered and in the years since, Father Browne's reputation has grown worldwide, both with the professional photography community and the general public.

AIB is now launching a new photographic contest to discover the Father Brownes of the 21st Century.

The AIB Spirit of Father Browne competition has a prize fund of €8,000. It will be judged by a prestigious panel of judges including broadcaster and historian John Bowman, Father Eddie O'Donnell SJ, who helped rediscover the archive 14 years ago, Edwin Davison, who manages the collection on behalf of the Society of Jesuits and Tanya Kiang, Director of the Gallery of Photography in Temple Bar, Dublin.

Edwin Davison said: "Fr. Browne made many fine landscape and still life pictures but his work incorporating people has proved most memorable. Pictures submitted for this competition should therefore capture some element of daily life, recreation or work that typifies contemporary existence and express that content with strong visual impact."

€5,500 will be presented to the overall winner of the AIB Spirit of Father Browne competition at an award ceremony in the Autumn. Runner up prizes of €1,500 and €1,000 will also be awarded. The successful photographers may also have their work published as part of the 2003 AIB calendar.

The closing date for the competition is Friday July 19 2002 and entry forms can be downloaded from <http://www.aibgroup.com/spirit> and are also available from:

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