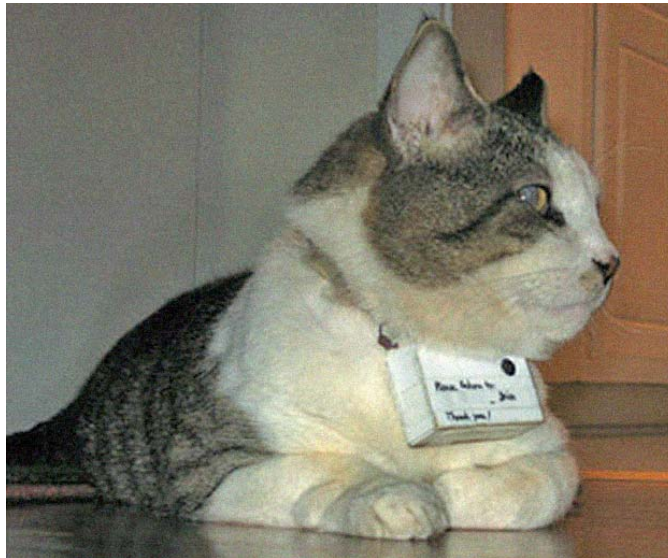


JURY REPORT

The jury of the KLEINE HANS
(the World's Biggest Small Photo Award)
is pleased to present:

Mr Lee
The Three-Eyed Cat

Winner of the 2007 Kleine Hans



Mr Lee with his camera

The camera on Mr Lee's neck was constructed by his owner Juergen Perthold. Once each minute, Mr Lee takes a picture with this camera.

Below is one of the many situations which Mr Lee encounters during his daily travels. Who took this photo? Mr Lee? He was totally unaware of it. He just happened to be sitting under a car when the camera on his neck shot the photo.



Can you be a photographer if you are unaware that you're taking a picture? But if Mr Lee isn't the photographer, who is? His owner, Juergen Perthold? Juergen Perthold designed the camera and he determined when the photos would be taken. But it is undeniably Mr Lee who brings the camera to its subject.



Mr Lee with the 2007 Kleine Hans

In this special case, is the subject ultimately the photographer? Isn't the subject in fact always the photographer?

Such questions, bordering on the existential, are part of photography, and nowhere are they raised more plainly than in the work of Mr Lee. At a time in which modesty is beginning to be seen as a deficiency, the jury believes it fitting to award the Kleine Hans to a photographer that doesn't know he is one.

Mr Lee's photos can be viewed on: www.mr-lee-catcam.de/pe_catcam1.htm

The KLEINE HANS, the world's biggest small award, is presented annually for photographic work that couldn't have been created without coincidence, grace or modesty.

The Kleine Hans jury (Hans Eykelboom, Hans van der Meer, Hans Wolf, Hans Samsom and Hans Aarsman) would like to thank Nienke Denekamp for nominating Mr Lee as a candidate for the 2007 Kleine Hans.



Mr Lee and the Kleine Hans 2007 Special



The Kleine Hans 2007 Special seen through Mr. Lee's camera