



## Activities of the Board

### XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology (CBE 2024) and the XIII Latin American Congress of Entomology (CLE): innovative and unforgettable!

The Entomological Society of Brazil (SEB), in partnership with the Federation of Latin American Entomology (FELA), sponsored from September 22 to 26, 2024, at the Center Convention, in Uberlândia, MG, the XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology (CBE 2024) and XIII Latin American Congress of Entomology (CLE), the largest entomological events in Latin America. With the theme “Sustainability and Biodiversity of Insects,” the event was innovative both in the scientific program and presentation format of plenaries and forums. The program sought to prioritize gender equality among the speakers. The event stood out for the remarkable presence of the young audience, both in scientific and leisure activities, such as the traditional Fraternization Dinner. With joy and good vibes, the participants experienced an unforgettable time.



The event kicked off Sunday morning with the 2nd SEB Entomological Race in Sabiá Park, a space designed for sports and leisure activities, with the participation of approximately 200 people. The race was supported by the Fundação de Apoio Universitário (FAU) and was held together with the 1st FAU Run, promoting integration between Congress participants and the general community. The FAU Run and the Entomological Race stood out not only as a sports activity but also as a solidarity activity. All the money raised from



the registrations was donated to the Cancer Hospital of Uberlândia, MG, demonstrating the social commitment of the event. In the evening, the official opening ceremony featured



a table with representatives from the Organizing Committee of the CBE and CLE, the president of SEB, as well as the illustrious presence of the Vice-Rector of the Federal University of Uberlândia, Dr. Carlos Henrique Martins and the Vice President of the Federal Council of Uberlândia, Dr. José Roberto Feitosa Silva. After the official opening, we enjoyed the excellent presentation of the Cerrado Popular Orchestra (OPC), coordinated by Prof. Alexandre Teixeira. The entomological discussion included distinguished guests, such as the Rector of the Universidade Federal de Jataí, Dr. Christiano Peres Coelho; the former president of CAPES, Dr. Mercedes Bustamante; the president of FELA, Dr. Juana Maria Coronado-Blanco; and the scientific publisher of the profile @mundodosinsetos Dr. Lídia Rafaela Almeida da Silva. Next, we enjoyed a delicious cocktail with a lot of MPB, provided by musicians from OPC and singer Carolina Emília, from Uberlândia.

The 2024 edition had a significant number of participants. The 1,954 registrants included professionals, undergraduate and graduate students, and speakers. In an unprecedented way, people in situations of economic vulnerability were offered the possibility of discounted registration. Of the 1,553 abstracts submitted, 128 were selected for oral presentations and 1,426 for poster presentations. The papers presented can be accessed in the Proceedings of the event on the Congress website (<https://cbe2024.com.br/>). There



was extensive coverage of the event on social networks, driven especially by the participants themselves. The format in which the plenaries and forums took place, on the four stages, set up in the same space, was very well accepted by the general public. The EntomoPubs, informal presentations made by speakers,

took place in different bars in the city at night, addressing topics of general curiosity including the use of insects in human food. In addition, EntomoPubs created networking opportunities between scientists, companies, and producers. Also on the scientific program, the Producer Arena offered an interactive space between researchers and producers. With the theme “Biologically Based Technologies

for Pest Management,” the presentations at the Arena provided new discussions between researchers, producers, and companies on the advances and challenges of using sustainable strategies to control insects and mites in agricultural crops, with the presentation of in-



novative and sustainable solutions. In addition to the scientific program, the Congress included the EntomoQuiz, the Photography Contest, and the Planet Insect exhibition. The exhibition provided very special moments, with visits made by elementary and high school students from public and private schools in the region. These students had the opportunity to participate in activities promoted by the team coordinated by the researcher of the Instituto Biológico, Dr. Harumi Hojo, providing a first contact with the universe of entomology and awakening in these young students the scientific interest. We must also highlight the launch of BioHq3 - Biology in Comics - Insects, made during the opening of the Congress. BioHq3 was a special edition of a project that began in 2019 and that unites comic artists and researchers with the objective of promoting scientific dissemination in the area of Biology. The resources for this third

edition, published by the Publisher of the Universidade Federal de Uberlândia – EDUFU, were made possible by the Entomological Society of Brazil, in addition to the Dean of Research and Graduate Studies of the EDUFU, the University Support Foundation (FAU), the Peld/CNPq/FAPEMIG Project, and the Public Ministry of Labor – MPT. Those interested



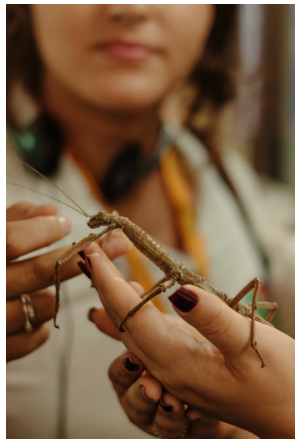
in purchasing copies of BioHq3 can contact the SEB secretariat at [secretaria@seb.org.br](mailto:secretaria@seb.org.br).

To offer this diverse and innovative programming, as well as numerous activities, many partnerships and collaborations were ne-





necessary. Thus, SEB's Board of Directors thanks all the people, institutions, and companies that made this congress possible. We appreciate the involvement, commitment, and effort of the president of SEB, Angelo Pallini; the secretary of SEB, Renata Coutinho; and the members of the organizing committee, in particular the President of SEB Jovem and Vice President of the CBE and CLE, Douglas Ferreira; and the President and Vice President of the Scientific Committee, Tathiana Guerra and Frederico Salles. This was a pleasant and harmonious team to work with. We also highlight the excellent work of the organizers



of the Entomological Race, the Evaluation of Scientific Works, the EntomQuiz, and the Producer Arena, as well as all the monitors from different institutions, who were part of this team. We thank all the speakers and participants who came to the event and who enriched the discussions with their valuable contributions. Finally, we want to thank the Sociedade Entomológica do Brasil (SEB), the Sociedade Brasileira de Entomologia (SBE), the Universidade Federal de Uberlândia, the Fundação de Apoio Universitário (FAU), the Universidade Federal de Viçosa, the Universidade Federal do Espírito Santo, the Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco, and the Federación de Entomología Latino-Americana (FELA) for their support.

We are also grateful to the public research funding agencies (CAPES, CNPQ, and FAPEMIG), the Conselho Federal de Biologia-CFBio, and all sponsoring companies (BAYER, KOPPERT, NITRO, BASF, SUMITOMO), and the Brazilian Association for the Study of Bees (A.B.E.L.H.A.). We also appreciate the excellent teamwork of the FB Group, the audiovisual company CENARIUM 7, and the commercial department of the Center Convention. Finally, we thank everyone who believes in science as an essential tool for sustainable development.



Official photo of the CBE and CLE monitors.



We will meet again in 2026 in Recife, PE, at the next CBE! We wish great success to the president of the next Congress, Prof. Dr. Paulo Cristaldo, and the entire organizing committee.

### XXIX General Assembly of the SEB

On September 25, 2024, during the XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology, the XXIX General Assembly was held, with massive participation of the members, reflecting the significant growth in the number of active members of SEB, which exceeded the 900 in 2024. Under the leadership of President Angelo Pallini, essential topics for SEB were discussed. The 2022–2024 management was presented, highlighting the main achievements of the biennium, followed by the financial report, which presented the balance of SEB's accounts. The reports were also presented about the Society's scientific publications, such as BioAssay, Entomological Communications, and Neotropical Entomology.



The Assembly also included the report of the XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology and the planning for the 18th Siconbiol, which will take place in 2025 in Gramado, RS. Subsequently, the city of João Pessoa, Paraíba, was approved as the headquarters of Siconbiol 2027. One of the most awaited announcements was the location for the next Brazilian Congress of Entomology in 2026, with the city of Recife being selected by the majority of the members. In addition, the result of the elections for the Board of Directors 2024–2026 was announced, with the slate led by Angelo Pallini being approved by the members. The Assembly also considered suggestions for amendments to SEB's Bylaws and the creation of a Code of Conduct, which aims to promote good practices and ethical behavior among members of the Society. The XXIX General Assembly of SEB reinforced the Society's commitment to developing entomology and strengthening its actions that favor science.



Photo of the elected candidates. From left to right: Daniell Fernandes (editor of Entomological Communications), Khalid Haddi (editor of Neotropical Entomology), Frederico Salles (treasurer of SEB), Angelo Pallini (president of SEB), Paulo Cristaldo (vice president of SEB and president of XXX CBE), Solange Augusto (general secretary of SEB), Douglas Ferreira (president of SEB Jovem), Elio Guzzo (editor of BioAssay), José Wagner Mello (coordinator of ISEB), and Renata Coutinho (executive secretary of SEB).

## Neotropical Entomology

### Neotropical Entomology

On September 24, 2024, the members of the editorial board of Neotropical Entomology (NENT), during the XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology and the XIII Latin American Congress of Entomology, held in Uberlândia, meet to present metrics and updates on the journal. In addition, future guidelines and strategies to strengthen the position of NENT as a reference journal in the global neotropical region were discussed. The editor-in-chief, Dr. Khalid Haddi, informed participants about the journal's latest impact factor, which in 2023 was 1.4. He explained that, despite the small decrease of 0.4 in relation to the 2022 impact factor (1.8), NENT remained in the second quartile (Q2), occupying the 46th position among the 109 entomology journals evaluated. Dr. Khalid also informed the editors present about the integration of new members on the editorial board in the different sections of the journal. Dr. Juliana Hipólito has been appointed deputy editor-in-chief. The new associate editors include Dr. Ibtissem Ben Fekih (Belgium) in the "Biological Control" section; Dr. Leticia Vieira (Brazil), Dr. Ricardo Silva (Brazil), and Dr. Zihua Zhao (China) in the "Ecology, Behavior, and Bionomics" section; and Dr. Antonio Gugliuzzo (Italy), Dr. Renato Ricciardi (Italy), and Dr. Oscar F. Amaya (Colombia) in the "Pest Management" section. The editor-in-chief also reported that, from the beginning of October, the journal will no longer be published in four volumes per year; instead, a continuous flow of publication has been adopted. The discussion then addressed several topics relevant to the future of the journal. Among the main points, the promotion of NENT stood out, aiming to increase its visibility in the scientific community. Ways of integrating NENT symposia into congresses and creating special sections were discussed, in addition to stimulating the submission of review articles, essential to consolidate the journal's role in the field of entomology. Other topics addressed during the meeting included the creation of the NENT logo and the idea of encouraging authors to write short abstracts of their published articles, facilitating the dissemination of knowledge. The participants agreed on the importance of reserving a space at the openings of the congresses organized by SEB for the editors to present opportunities for publication and updates on the journal, thus reinforcing the commitment of NENT to the academic community. Finally, the possible change to the open access system and its implications for Latin American authors and the journal were discussed.

**Dr. Khalid Haddi**

Editor-in-Chief

**Dr. Juliana Hipólito**

Substitute Editor-in-Chief



### Entomological Communications

Dear readers,

With great enthusiasm, we share the latest achievements of Entomological Communications. Recently, it was indexed in the Diadorim database and is now indexed in a total of 14 databases/directories (DOAJ, Google Scholar, PKP Index, BASE, ROAD, ScijIn, Copernicus, MIAR, Dimensions, Scilit, AGRIS, Miguelim, Latindex, and Diadorim). We are waiting for the final opinion on the indexation in CABI. During the SEB meeting held at the CBE in Uberlândia, we presented the results achieved in the last two years and our improvement plan for the next management. Our focus now is on improving the article submission system, which currently faces some technical issues due to high demand. We are studying ways to streamline this process into a shorter period. We hope that Entomological Communications will continue to be your choice to disclose data in a fast, accessible, and quality way. Access our website and follow our social networks on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter (you will find a link to the social networks in the "Follow" tab at the beginning of our page). page - <https://www.entomologicalcommunications.org/>.

#### Daniell Rodrigo Rodrigues Fernandes & Rafael Major Pitta

Editors-in-Chief, Entomological Communications  
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### EntomoQuiz 2024: A decade of success and achievement!

EntomoQuiz completed 10 years in grand style at the XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology (CBE 2024) and XIII Latin American Congress of Entomology (CLE), held in Uberlândia! With a vibrant audience and contagious energy, this fifth edition was a real success, full of fun, with lots of interaction and record awards. This year, six teams participated: Universidade Federal de Lavras (UFLA), Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco (UFRPE), Universidade Estadual Paulista (UNESP/Jaboticabal), Universidade Federal de Viçosa (UFV), Escola Superior de Agricultura "Luiz de Queiroz" (ESALQ/USP), and Universidade Estadual de Londrina (UEL). After fierce competition, the winning team was ESALQ/USP, which took the trophy and special gifts. In addition, there was intense audience participation. Our special thanks to the publishers INPA and FEALQ for the generous donation of books, which made all the difference to the success of this edition, promoting scientific knowledge in a fun and accessible way. Congratulations to all the teams and the audience who came to compete, learn, and have fun! We are already looking forward to the next edition. We met again in 2026, in Recife, for the Sixth EntomoQuiz!

### Commission of the fifth EntomoQuiz

Alexandre José Ferreira Diniz - Universidade Estadual Paulista  
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Tiago Cardoso da Costa Lima - Embrapa Semiárido



### Student Contest – CBE 2024

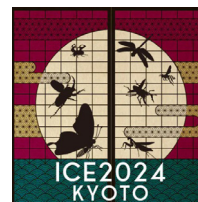
The student contest, a tradition of the Brazilian Congress of Entomology, awarded the three best works in the oral presentations developed by young researchers in Entomology. In this edition of the CBE, the work of the young researchers was presented on the main stage. In all, 128 abstracts were presented simultaneously on the four stages of the event during the four days. The winners will receive airfare for the next CBE or Siconbiol (1st place); registration for the next CBE or Siconbiol (2nd place); and SEB membership (3rd place). See the winners below:

	Name and Institute	Title of the work
1 <sup>o</sup>	Bianca Magalhães (UFLA)	Volatiles from eucalyptus plants induced by methyl jasmonate either attract or repel the pupal parasitoid <i>Palmistichus elaeisis</i> in a dose-dependent manner
2 <sup>o</sup>	Diego Souza (UFV)	Exploring behavioral differences of <i>Sitophilus zeamais</i> across different regions of Brazil
3 <sup>o</sup>	Sara Yuri Watanabe (UFRPE)	Recognition and avoidance of insecticide-treated food sources in an important urban termite pest

Finally, the abstract committee would like to thank immensely the 235 evaluators who contributed not only to the student contest but also to the evaluation of the 1597 abstracts presented at the CBE 2024.

### Social media and dissemination of the CBE

We highlight the relevance of the work carried out by the Social Media and Dissemination Committee during the Brazilian Congress of Entomology (CBE). Effective communication was fundamental to generate interest in the scheduled activities and to keep the public constantly updated. Dissemination was intense before the CBE, creating expectations with information about speakers and topics. During the event, they shared several moments in real-time, and after the CBE, they complemented it with additional information and updates on activities carried out. These actions not only informed but also contributed to strengthening a community more engaged and interested in entomology. The positive feedback received on social media demonstrates the impact of this communication strategy. We invite all partners to follow the official profile of the CBE on Instagram (<https://www.instagram.com/cbentomologia/>) and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/cbentomologia/>) to follow the news and see how this disclosure has strengthened our community. The same page will be used to disseminate the next edition of the Congress.



### SEB Representation at the Ice 2024 in Kyoto

Between August 25 and 30, 2024, the International Congress of Entomology (ICE) took place in Kyoto, Japan. The Entomological Society of Brazil (SEB) was

present and participated in activities, including the Meeting of International Entomological Societies and the defense of Brazil's candidacy to host the ICE 2028.

### International Congress of Entomology

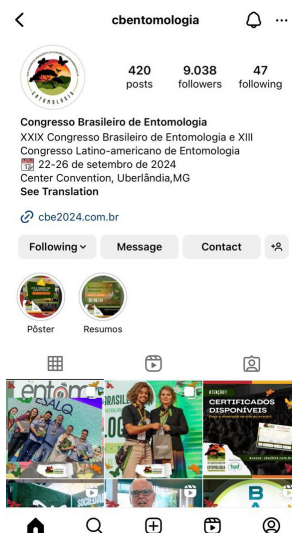
On August 27, an important meeting was held between leaders of the world's leading entomological societies, promoted by the Entomological Society of



America (ESA) and the Royal Entomological Society (RES). SEB was represented by Angelo Pallini, Adeney Bueno, and Douglas Ferreira. During the meeting, challenges and opportunities common to societies were discussed, such as the growth or reduction in the number of members, difficulties in publishing scientific journals, and the transition to open-access models. In addition, the meeting highlighted the proposal for greater coordination between the societies, with suggestions for creating a list of global contacts and holding regular meetings, both face-to-face and virtual, to facilitate the exchange of ideas and continuous cooperation. This exchange of experiences was extremely enriching, allowing the construction of collaborative strategies and strengthening ties between international entomological societies.

### Brazil's application to host the ICE 2028

On August 28, SEB submitted its application to host ICE 2028 in the city of Rio de Janeiro. The proposal was defended before the Council of International Congresses of Entomology, with competition from China and South Africa. Despite the solid defense, the Brazilian candidacy was not selected, and South Africa was chosen as the host of the ICE 2028. The event will be held in the city of Cape Town, between July 17 and 21, 2028. Although Brazil was not chosen, participation of the SEB reinforced the visibility and prestige of Brazilian entomology on the international scene. We will continue to work in partnership with other societies, seeking new opportunities to promote entomological science and global collaboration. SEB thanks the committee that organized the candidacy, especially the candidate for the presidency of the event, Adeney de Freitas Bueno, and all the associates who supported this important project. We remain firm in our commitment to promote entomological science in Brazil and abroad, reaffirming our commitment to strengthening collaboration between entomological societies around the world.



## Society Members

### Prof. Maria Helena Calafiori was honored with the Angelo Moreira da Costa Lima Award at the CBE 2024

Prof. Maria Helena Calafiori was honored with the Angelo Moreira da Costa Lima Award during the XXIX Brazilian Congress of Entomology, held in Uberlândia. With an admirable career, Maria Helena has dedicated more than 50 years to teaching and research in entomology. She has been an essential pillar in the training of generations of entomologists. With an undergraduate and a master's degree in entomology from ESALQ/USP, she retired in 2019 as a holder of the Agronomic Engineering course at the Centro Regional Universitário de Espírito Santo do Pinhal (UNIPINHAL), where she also served as coordinator. With extensive experience in agricultural entomology, she has published more than 120 scientific articles and trained countless students who today stand out in Brazil and in the world. The nomination of Prof. Maria Helena to the award was made by Dr. Adeney Bueno and approved by SEB



members. SEB congratulates Prof. Maria Helena for this deserved tribute and for the example of dedication and excellence that her career represents for Brazilian entomology.

### Dr. Maria Fátima Grossi-de-Sá received a Distinction Award at the ICE 2024 and was elected to the CICE Council

The SEB congratulates Dr. Maria Fátima Grossi-de-Sá, associate and researcher at Embrapa Genetic Resources and Biotechnology, for winning the prestigious Certificate of Distinction at the International Congress of Entomology (ICE 2024), held in Kyoto, Japan. This certificate, awarded every four years, recognizes outstanding contributions to world entomology.

In addition to this honorable award, we are pleased to announce that Dr. Maria Fátima was also recently elected to the Council for International Congresses of Entomology (CICE). Her appointment, supported by SEB and SBPC (Brazilian Society for the Advancement of Science), reflects her prominence and leadership in the field of entomology.

Dr. Fátima Grossi is a visionary in the search for innovative solutions for agricultural pest control, using cutting-edge techniques, such as RNA interference



(RNAi) and genome editing. Her notable achievements include the development of transgenic cotton plants with excellent resistance to the devastating cotton boll weevil, an advance that strengthens Brazilian agribusiness. She also leads the National Institute of Science and Technology (INCT PlantStress Biotech), which is dedicated to the research and application of biotechnological assets aimed at biotic and abiotic stresses, aiming at solutions for sustainable agriculture.

The activities focus especially on the control of caterpillars and root-knot nematodes, pests that significantly impact national production in soybean, corn, cotton, and sugarcane crops. Dr. Fátima Grossi is also a professor in different Graduate Programs at the Universidade Católica de Brasília (UCB), Universidade de Brasília (UnB), Universidade Católica Dom Bosco (UCDB), and Universidade Federal do Paraná (UFPR). This international recognition underscores Dr.

Fátima Grossi's leadership in scientific innovation and technological advancement in entomology, highlighting her significant impact on both Brazilian and world entomology. SEB celebrates this achievement, symbolizing its valuable contribution to promoting sustainable agricultural innovations.

## New Editors of the ISEB

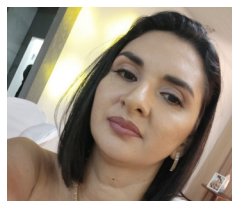
With great enthusiasm, we announce the arrival of a new editorial team to the Newsletter of the Entomological Society of Brazil (ISEB)! Beginning with this edition, we are honored to assume the mission of continuing the work that, for almost 50 years, has been informing and connecting SEB members with everything that is most relevant in the universe of

entomology. For us, this is a time of celebration and responsibility. Entomology is a passion that moves us, and we are excited to bring readers even more notices, news, highlights, and curiosities about the fascinating world of insects. We greatly appreciate the trust and opportunity to contribute to the history of the Society. In this edition, we also want to

highlight the important work done by the previous editors, Élisson Fabricio Bezerra Lima (UFPI), João Antônio Cyrino Zequi (UEL), and Jaqueline Magalhães Pereira (UFG), who, since 2018, had been doing exceptional work at ISEB. Their legacy will always be remembered! We are happy to introduce the **new ISEB editors**:



**Jose Wagner da Silva Melo:** Agronomist and PhD in Agricultural Entomology from the Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco (UFRPE). He is currently a professor in the Department of Zoology and adviser to the Graduate Program in Animal Biology at the UFRPE. His research focuses on ecological studies using mites.



**Mércia Elias Duarte:** Biologist and PhD in Plant Protection from the Federal University of Alagoas (UFAL). Currently, she is a visiting researcher at the Federal University of Piauí (UFPI), developing research on alternative control of urban and agricultural pests, as well as studies on taxonomy and morphological and molecular systematics of plant mites.



**Wendel J. Teles Pontes:** Biologist and PhD in Agricultural Entomology from UFPE, also professor in the Department of Zoology and supervisor of the Graduate Program in Animal Biology at UFPE. He investigates the behavior and reproduction of insects, with an emphasis on ladybugs.



**Gabriel Silva Dias:** He graduated in Agronomy from the Universidade Estadual do Maranhão (UEMA) and did a Master of Science (Entomology) at the Escola Superior de Agricultura Luiz de Queiroz (ESALQ/USP). He is currently a PhD student in Sciences (Entomology) from the same institution and a member of SEB Jovem, representing the Northeast region. His research is focused on insect-plant interaction, with an emphasis on plant resistance to insects.

With the arrival of these professionals, **ISEB** gains a new impulse, now also counting on the strength and energy of **SEB Jovem**, which will bring a renewed and dynamic perspective to our newsletter. Finally, if you have interesting news, research, or event related to Entomology and want to share it with the community, do not hesitate to send it to us. Our doors are open to publicize the best in our area! Send your contributions to [informativo@seb.org.br](mailto:informativo@seb.org.br)



## End-of-year Message

We have reached the end of 2024, and with great joy, we bring you the news: we have taken over the publishing of ISEB! Our goal is to continue the great work done by those who preceded us and, of course, make the newsletter even more interesting. We are full of energy for this new challenge and ready to share the steps and advances of SEB's in 2025.

Our team is super excited and engaged, ready to face what's next. We really want to count on you! Please send your news so we can spread it around Brazil and make the ISEB a space for connection and exchange for all members.

For now, it's time to celebrate. How about celebrating the end of a year full of achievements and challenges? We wish each of you a wonderful Christmas and a new year full of happiness, health, and success.

See you in 2025, with a lot of news and, of course, with all the best in the world of entomology!

**With lots of love,**  
ISEB editorial team



## XXIX CBE Photo Contest

Top photos at the XXIX CBE Photography Contest.



**1st Place Macro Instagram Photo** - "Beauty of a Zygoptera"  
Antoniél Francisco Pereira



**1st Place Macro Photo Event** - "Butterfly Landing on Leaves"  
Lucas Ramos Vieira



**1st Place Instagram Scenario Photo** -  
"Maternal Love"  
Evellyn Zuqui Bolsoni



**1st Place Scenario Photo** - "The Cycle"  
Alexandre Ariel da Fonseca de Souza



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