

2004 AFFILIATE ASSOCIATION COMPETITION

OFFICIAL RULES

ATTENTION ENTRANTS: PLEASE READ ALL RULES THOROUGHLY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL ENTRANTS

Please study and follow carefully. Not doing so could result in disqualification of your entry. Complete the official entry form. Be sure to sign the certification. Enclose entry form and fee in print case. Case must be marked "First Class Mail Enclosed" and the required additional postage must be paid. UPS also accepted.

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The intent of the Photographic Exhibitions Committee (PEC) is to reward performance of the entrant in the category which they enter. It is PEC's desire to have the best possible exhibit and to judge all images for their artistic and technical excellence.

1. ELIGIBILITY AND CLOSING DATE. PPA members and resident members of the Affiliate Association(s) holding this exhibit are eligible to receive the PPA Seal of Approval. Those individuals not residing in the area covered by this Affiliate/ Regional Competition are not eligible to receive the Seal of Approval. No entries accepted after **3/25/04**

An entry in an Affiliate exhibit which did not receive a Seal of Approval is eligible for entry in the PPA International Exhibit provided it complies with all other rules.

ONCE AN IMAGE HAS RECEIVED A PPA MERIT, IT CANNOT BE ENTERED AGAIN IN ANY CLASSIFICATION BY THE SAME ENTRANT.

2. ENTRIES ALLOWED. Total number of entries permitted per case is four. These may be prints, transparencies, albums or a combination of the preceding. **No two images shall be of the same subject or object.** Images previously merited in PPA International Exhibition, are not eligible.

How many cases may I enter? There are three competitions that you may enter: Photographic, Electronic Imaging and Art/Tech. You may enter one case per competition, with a maximum of four images/video/albums per case. A separate case and case fee is required for each classification entered.

The Art/Tech, EI & Commercial Competitions will be held at the 2004 SEPPA Regional Competition.

3. ENTRANTS CERTIFICATION OF RESPONSIBILITY. Entrant must certify that he or she has created, composed and made the original exposures, and that the processing and any special effects were done by him or her, by signing the bottom of the entry form. The entrant must certify that he or she understands this statement and faces the penalty of loss of five Exhibition Merits if the statement is proven false. The entrant agrees to hold PPA and the Affiliated Association(s) harmless against any liabilities or claims arising out of the Affiliate Association(s) and/or PPA's consideration, display, publication, promotion or other use of photographs or other material submitted to PPA and/or the Affiliated Association(s).

4. NO PHOTOGRAPH OR ALBUM WILL BE ELIGIBLE THAT HAS BEEN MADE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF AN INSTRUCTOR OR AS A CLASS ASSIGNMENT.

5. ENTRY FORM AND FEE. Service fee for Regional members in good standing is \$ **65.00** per case. Service fee for non-regional members is \$ **95.00** per case. **Include a mailing fee of \$25.00 per case to have your prints returned to you. Make arrangements for your print case(s) to be picked up, or they will be returned to your COD.**

6. COMPLETE THE OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM. Sign the certification and make your check or money order payable to: **SWPA**

7. CLASSIFICATION OF ENTRIES. In this PPA Affiliated Regional Competition, only Photographic Open and Album entries will be eligible to receive a Seal of Approval:

1. PHOTOGRAPHIC OPEN: Will consist of Portrait, Illustrative, and Wedding images. Judges will be instructed to evaluate each image, without comparison, on its own merits using the twelve (12) elements of a merit image. These rules pertain to still images, both print and transparencies created by traditional process as well as still images captured electronically as with a digital camera or scanner.

ALBUM CATEGORIES

There are now two distinct album categories. The original Album category where all images appearing in the album are to be photographed entirely by the entrant. And now, the Multiple Photographer Album category. This album category has been created specifically for events that require more than one photographer photographing the event.

The following are the rules of entry for each album category:

8. ALBUM CATEGORY. Albums will be judged based upon the twelve elements of a merit image. The jurors judging this category will be from the Approved Affiliate Jurors list and will also be qualified wedding album jurors.

Albums awarded the 'Seal of Approval' must be sent to the next PPA International Judging to receive a merit and to be judged for the Loan Collection. Both 'Seal of Approval' albums and albums that did not score a 'Seal of Approval' will be eligible to be entered at the PPA International Judging. Albums accepted into the Loan Collection will receive an additional exhibition merit. The PPA will not permanently retain Loan Collection Albums.

The following are the Rules for Entry:

1. Submission of an album will be counted as one entry; however, you may submit up to **four** individual albums as any part of your four total allowed Professional Photographic entries.
2. No multiple volume albums are allowed.
3. All images in the album must have been photographed by the entrant. No other photographers' images are allowed.
4. All images must be from the same Social Event.
5. Album size is limited to a maximum outside dimension of 400 square inches or smaller album. However, images within the album can be of any size for the purpose of enhancing creativity and the story telling aspects of the album.
6. An image entered in an album cannot then be entered as an individual submission in any other PPA Regional or International Print Competitions.
7. Albums must be shipped in a well-protected, reusable fiber, plastic or metal case.

9. MULTIPLE PHOTOGRAPHER ALBUM CATEGORY.

This album category has been created specifically for events where there is more than one photographer photographing the event. Albums will be judged based upon the twelve elements of a merit image. The jurors judging this category will be from the Approved Affiliate Jurors List and will also be qualified album jurors.

One Exhibition Merit will be awarded to each participating photographer for albums receiving the 'Seal of Approval.' Albums awarded the 'Seal of Approval' must be sent to the next PPA International Judging to receive a Merit and to be judged for the Loan Collection. An additional Exhibition Merit will be awarded to each participating photographer if the album is selected for the Loan Collection. The PPA will not permanently retain Loan Collection albums.