

# OFFICIAL RULES

Any album, meeting the following rules, is now eligible to be entered in the Multiple Photographer Album Category.

## The following are the Rules of Entry for the Multiple Photographer Album Category:

1. All participating photographers must be PPA members.
2. Each participating photographer must have a minimum of 20 of his or her images represented in the album. However, the album will be judged as one entity. Each participating photographer must complete and sign an entry form and include a case fee.
3. Submission of a Multiple Photographer Album will be counted as one entry towards each of the participating photographers' FOUR total allowed Photographic Open entries.
4. 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.
5. The album entrants must have photographed all images in the album. No other photographers' images are allowed.
6. All images must be from the same Social Event.
7. No multiple volume albums are allowed.
8. An image entered in an album cannot then be entered as an individual submission in any other PPA Regional or International Print Competitions.
9. Albums must be shipped in a well-protected, reusable fiber, plastic or metal case.

**10. IDENTIFICATION – ALBUMS.** Identification must be included on the official Album entry form which is enclosed. Please complete and enclose the official Album entry form with the entry.

**IDENTIFICATION – PHOTOGRAPHS, TRANSPARENCIES.** In order to identify and list entries, all entries must be titled. The title, name and address of the maker, the competition in which the image is being submitted, must appear on the back of the entry or it will be disqualified. Use the label page in this entry form to attach to the back of each entry. No title, name of maker, taped over name, award ribbons or seals may appear on the front of the entry. Do not mark entries "Untitled" or "No Title." **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE TITLED.** A title may appear in the image if the title is an integral part of it.

**11. MOUNTING.** All non-Masters entries in the Photographic category must be permanently mounted on 16" x 20" maximum, (15.5" x 19.5" minimum mount board). Masonite is not allowed. Entry thickness shall be a minimum of 1/8" and maximum of 3/8" at any point on the entry. The prints may not be under glass. Overlay, and underlay mats are acceptable. Prints may be less than 16" x 20" and any shape, but must be mounted on above mentioned board. To prevent damage to other prints, no foreign materials may be added to the front or back surface of the print other than standard retouching material.

**12. COLOR TRANSPARENCIES.** Color Transparencies may be entered in the Photographic Open Category. Transparencies (2.25" x 2.25" and larger) must be masked and mounted on a 12" x 12" mat with the area to be viewed (minimum 2" x 2.25) cut from the mat. Accepted transparencies will be on display at the 2004 PPA International Exhibition in Las Vegas, Nevada.

**Electronic Imaging, Art/Tech, and Commercial entries can only receive a seal of approval at the 2004 SEPPA Regional Competition**

**13. SHIPMENT AND RETURN OF ENTRIES.** Entries must be shipped in fiber, plastic, nylon or metal cases. Entries shipped in any other type of wrapping may be returned. Only one individual's entries are allowed per case.

**14. ENTRIES MUST BE SENT PREPAID USING THE OFFICIAL MAILING LABEL.** The Affiliate Exhibit assumes no responsibility for damage or loss in shipment, storage, handling or exhibit of entries. The entrant must assume all such risks in Affiliate Association exhibits.

**15. SEAL OF APPROVAL.** An entry receiving a final score of 80 or above will be awarded the Seal of Approval and will automatically receive a PPA Merit, but only if submitted to the next PPA International Exhibit before its announced deadline. Seal of Approval entries will be judged at the PPA International Judging for the Loan Collection, and if accepted, will receive an additional merit, with a limit of eight merits annually per entrant, per entry case.

**DEADLINES FOR 2004 DEGREE APPLICANTS.** All members planning on receiving a PPA degree in 2004 must submit completed degree applications with all attendant data to the PPA Merit/Degree Office by May 14, 2004. Note: Anyone earning a merit or applying for a degree in 2004 must have their current dues paid upon application. The only exception to this deadline are those who complete their degree requirements at the 2004 International Judging.

**16. STUDENT ENTRANTS.** In order to qualify for the student category, the entrant must be enrolled full-time in a college or post-secondary school within the confines of the Affiliated Association Exhibition. A full-time student must carry 12 semester hours. Students are eligible to receive merits provided that in addition to the above: 1) the student is a member of PPA or SPS; 2) the entry complies with all of the official rules; 3) the entry has not been made as a class assignment or under the supervision of an instructor.

**17. ENTRY QUANTITY.** An entrant may submit 1 - 4 entries in this PPA Affiliated Regional Competition. These entries may be comprised of any combination of Photographic Open and Albums to maximum of four (4).

## Additional Rules

1. No entry will be eligible that has been made under the supervision of an instructor or as a class of assignment.
2. No two images shall be of the same subject (i.e. same model, models, subject, etc.) – each entry must be distinctly different. This includes the same model in different clothing or in separate sittings.
3. Retouching is permissible on entries in the photographic classification. This includes retouching accomplished by digital means as well as traditional methods of retouching using dyes, pencils or airbrushes.
4. The Jury Chairman will have the authority to decide any questions not specifically covered by these rules and his or her decision will be final. Any entry not following these rules will automatically be disqualified.



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