

Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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Nineteen 2020 PAA FIAP Distinction Applications Approved

2020 is the second year that the Photographic Alliance of America (PAA), the FIAP Operational Member for the USA, submitted FIAP Distinction applications. Twelve applications were approved in 2019 and nineteen applications were approved in 2020. The formal celebration of these distinctions will be on Saturday, October 3, during the PAA Annual General Meeting via videoconference beginning at 9:00am Pacific time. The certificates and pins will be mailed separately.

Nine PAA Members Received AFIAP

After at least one year since receiving their first acceptance in a FIAP-Patronage Salon, nine PAA members have received the Artist FIAP (AFIAP) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction they each needed: 40 acceptances, from 15 different images (titles), in at least 15 FIAP-Patronage salons held in at least eight different counties, including four print acceptances from different images (titles). They also needed to submit five digital images that each had three acceptances in different salons and were included in the application acceptance list.

Seven PAA Members Received EFIAP

After at least one year since receiving the AFIAP, seven PAA members have received the Excellence FIAP (EFIAP) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction they each needed: 250 acceptances, from 50 different images (titles), in at least 30 FIAP-Patronage salons held in at least 20 different counties, including 12 print acceptances from different images (titles). They also needed to submit five digital images that each had three acceptances in different salons, two of which had received Awards (Medal or HM) in different countries, and were included in the application acceptance list. These digital images could not resemble the digital images submitted with their AFIAP application.

Rowshan Akhter, MPSA, BPSA, Receives EFIAP/s

After at least one year since receiving the Excellence FIAP Bronze (EFIAP/b),

Rowshan Akhter, MPSA, BPSA, EFIAP/b of East Elmhurst, NY, has been awarded the Excellence FIAP Silver (EFIAP/s) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction, Rowshan needed 100 new acceptances since receiving the EFIAP/b, from 100 different images (titles), in FIAP-Patronage salons. She also needed to submit five digital images that each had new Awards, in different salons, in different countries, and were included in the application acceptance list.

Two PAA Members Receive EFIAP/d1

After at least one year since receiving the Excellence FIAP Platinum (EFIAP/p),

Larry Cowles, HonPSA, GMPSA/P, EFIAP/p, of Sun City West, AZ; and Mohammad Ali Salim, GMPSA, GPSA, EFIAP/p have been awarded the Excellence FIAP Diamond One (EFIAP/d1) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction Larry and Salim each needed 50 new acceptances, each receiving an award, 15 different images (titles), in FIAP-Patronage salons in at least five different countries. They also needed to submit five digital images that did not resemble each other or previously submitted images, that each had new Awards (after the EFIAP/p) and were included in the application acceptance list.



Stephen Burgstahler,
QPSA, AFIAP



Bob Chiu,
MPSA, GPSA, AFIAP



Larry Tho Dao,
PPSA, AFIAP



Terry Dickerson,
PPSA, AFIAP



Cristian Donos,
AFIAP



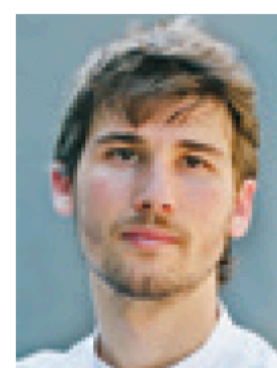
Ken Murphy,
APSA, MPSA, AFIAP



Angela Poggioni,
QPSA, AFIAP



Valentina Sokolskaya,
PPSA, AFIAP



Nikola Veljic,
QPSA, AFIAP



Nan Carder, FPSA,
MPSA2, EFIAP



Randy Carr,
APSA, GMPSA, EFIAP



Susan Cowles,
FPSA, GMPSA, EFIAP



Henry Ng,
FPSA, EPSA, EFIAP



Guo Jiang Ou,
MPSA, EFIAP



Yan Tsang,
EPSA, EFIAP



Rowshan Akhter, MPSA,
BPSA, EFIAP/s



Larry Cowles, HonPSA,
GMPSA-P, EFIAP/d1



Mohammad Ali Salim,
GMPSA, GPSA, EFIAP/d1

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