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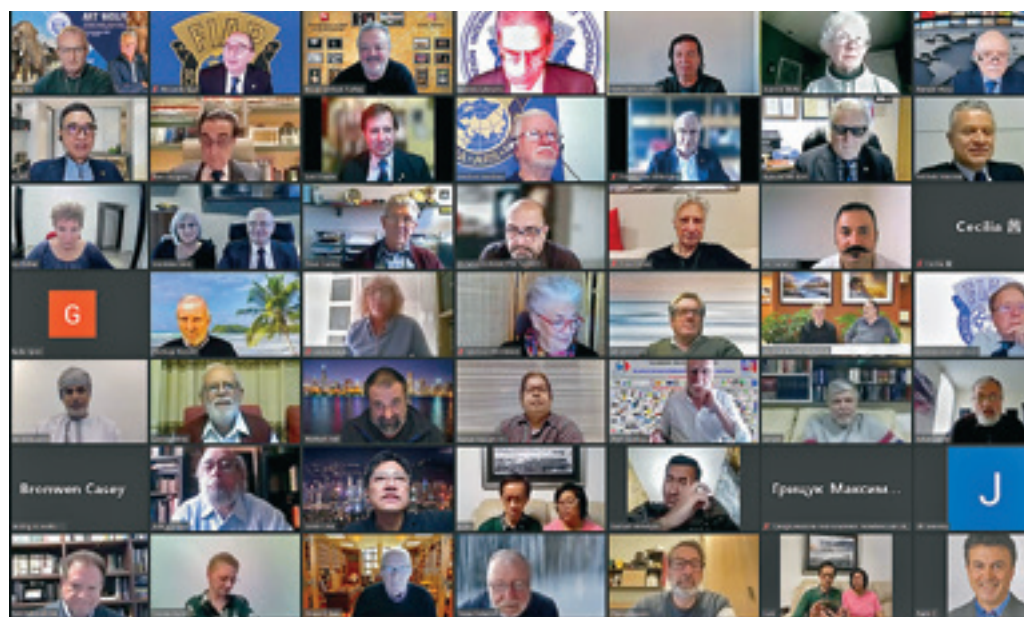


Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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FIAP Board and Photo Academy Committee before 2021 Annual General Assembly



Some of the 2021 FIAP Annual General Assembly Attendees

FIAP Holds 2021 Annual General Assembly via Videoconference

On Saturday, December 11, 2021, the International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP) held its 2021 Annual General Assembly via Zoom Videoconference. The FIAP General Assembly is the formal meeting where official business is conducted and it meets once a year between August and December, every other year which is during the FIAP

Congress. In 2019 the FIAP General Assembly was held in Spokane, WA, during the PSA Photo Festival, in 2020 the General Assembly was to be held during the FIAP Congress which was canceled so it was held via videoconference, and again this year videoconference technology made the meeting possible.

The attendees were in various time zones around the world. For example, the FIAP Liaison Officer for

Australia, Bronwen Casey, lives in Melbourne and the meeting began at 1:00 am Sunday morning for her. The PAA President and FIAP Liaison Officer for the USA, **Joanne Stolte, HonPSA, MPSA, EFIAP, ESFIAP**, attended beginning at 6:00 am Saturday, December 11.

The 2021 General Assembly was called to order by FIAP President, **Riccardo Busi, QPSA**. Following a delineation of the year's activities, Riccardo turned the meeting over to FIAP General Secretary, Ioannis Lykouris, who performed a roll call of each member country. FIAP country Liaison Officers submitted their credentials prior to the meeting to vote. Following the General Assembly each credentialed Liaison Officer submitted their completed ballot via email.

FIAP Treasurer, Kurt Batschinski, then provided a review of the present FIAP financial status and suggested two auditors for the next audit.

As the 2021 General Assembly ended everyone waved goodbye and lingered to see their photo friends as they signed off.

Hopefully, the 2022 FIAP General Assembly will be held in a FIAP-member country.

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