



PAA News and Updates

Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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USA Ranks Third in 2025 FIAP Youth Biennial

FIAP conducts international competitions between the FIAP Operational Members (national photography organizations) called FIAP Biennials. They are organized every two years by a different member country. Even years for Black & White and Nature Biennials, and odd years for the Color and Youth Biennials.

The Youth Biennials are judged in two age categories: up to 16 years of age and up to 25 years of age. A World Cup and FIAP Medals are presented to the makers and Operational Members who place the highest in each age category. The winner is the national federation that obtains the highest score by adding up the points of the individual images. Individual awards are also granted to the best images.

The 2025 FIAP Youth Biennial was organized by The Bahrain Arts Society. The judges were: **David Poey Cher Tay, FPSA, GMPSA/B, MFIAP, HonEFIAP (FIAP DB)**, Singapore; Nasser Malek, MFIAP, ESFIAP, United Arab Emirates; and Ahmed Al Busaidi, EFIAP, HonEFIAP, Oman.

The Photographic Alliance of America, the USA national photography organization and USA FIAP Operational Member, entered the FIAP Youth Biennial for the first time in 2025. Eighteen countries entered the up to 25 years of age category, and the USA placed Third. The overall results are listed in the chart on the right.

Six FIAP medals were awarded to individual images; one Gold, two Silver, and three Bronze medals. Michel Quezada-Cordova of Glen Cove, NY, received a FIAP Silver Medal for

the image “Michelle with Earring.” All the individual results are identified in the chart at the bottom of the page.

Signe Emmerich, HonPSA, EPSA, Director of PSA’s Youth Showcase, directed PAA’s efforts

to identify the images to submit from the PSA Youth Showcase USA entries and submitted the PAA entry. All the images submitted can be seen in a gallery on the PAA website at: paausa.org/fiap-biennials.

2025 FIAP Youth Biennial Overall Results: Under the Age of 25 Category					
	Award	Country	Works	Authors	Total Pts
1	FIAP World Cup	Oman	20	18	348
2	FIAP Gold Medal	South Africa	20	13	312
3	FIAP Silver Medal	USA	20	19	308
4	FIAP Bronze Medal	Turkey	20	11	301
5	FIAP Honorable Mention	France	20	13	288
6	FIAP Honorable Mention	Germany	20	14	286
7	FIAP Honorable Mention	Russian Federation	20	14	277
8	FIAP Honorable Mention	Italy	20	11	276
9	FIAP Honorable Mention	UAE	20	12	276
10	FIAP Honorable Mention	Egypt	20	15	267
11		Serbia	20	13	263
12		India	18	9	254
13		Bulgaria	20	17	247
14		Bosnia and Herzegovina	20	16	245
15		Cyprus	20	14	238
16		Spain	16	8	233
17		Bahrain	16	8	156
18		Norway	4	2	55

2025 FIAP Youth Biennial Individual Results: Under the age of 25 Category			
Award	Author	Country	Title
FIAP Gold Medal	Ahmed Fareed	Egypt	Camel Market
FIAP Silver Medal	Wahab Al Kindi	Oman	Intersection
FIAP Silver Medal	Michel Quezada-Cordova	USA	Michelle with Earring
FIAP Bronze Medal	Elena Djukanovic	Serbia	Tradition 1
FIAP Bronze Medal	Lisa Scholz	Germany	Ueberreizt
FIAP Bronze Medal	Duané Langer	South Africa	Batman



Michelle with Earring © Michel Quezada-Cordova