



PAA News and Updates

Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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Thirty-four 2023 PAA FIAP

Distinction Applications Approved

2023 is the fifth 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, nineteen applications were approved in 2020, thirty-three were approved in 2021, forty-two were approved in 2022, and thirty-four were approved this year. The formal celebration and presentation of these FIAP distinctions will be on Saturday, September 30, during the PAA Annual General Meeting during the PSA Photo Festival in Williamsburg, VA, beginning at 8:00am. The certificates, pins, and updated FIAP Photographers Cards will be presented to those attending

and mailed from PSA Headquarters after the Festival to those not attending.

Eleven PAA Members Receive AFIAP

After at least one year since receiving their first acceptance in a FIAP-Patronage Salon, eleven 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 countries. They also needed to submit five different digital images that each had three acceptances in different salons (a circuit is considered one salon for this purpose) in different countries and were included in the application acceptance list. These digital images could

not resemble each other.

NOTE: In 2024 four acceptances listed in an AFIAP application must be from print entries!

Fifteen PAA Members Receive EFIAP

After at least one year since receiving the AFIAP, fifteen 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 countries. They also needed to submit five different digital images that each had three acceptances in different salons (a circuit is considered one salon for this purpose), two of which had received Awards (Medal or HM) in different countries and were included in the application acceptance



Richard Bailey, EPSA, AFIAP



Bac Bui, AFIAP



Mogens Hermansen,
QPSA, AFIAP



Donna Hom, EPSA, AFIAP



Hank Ko, QPSA, AFIAP



Sainadh Mallula, AFIAP



Hai Ngo, AFIAP



Dieu Nguyen, AFIAP



Hai Nguyen, AFIAP



John Pham, AFIAP



Lisa Schnelzer, PPSA,
AFIAP



Margaret Boike, APSA,
MPSA2, BPSA, EFIAP



Ward Conway, MPSA,
EFIAP



Larry Tho Dao, PPSA, EFIAP



Donald DeDonato,
GMPSA, EFIAP



Ban Duong, PPSA, EFIAP



Hung Ho, EPSA, EFIAP



Youmans Hsiung, EPSA,
EFIAP

list. These digital images could not resemble each other, or the digital images submitted with their AFIAP application.

NOTE: In 2024 twelve acceptances listed in an EFIAP application must be from print entries!

Two PAA Members Receive EFIAP/b

After at least one year since receiving the Excellence FIAP (EFIAP), two PAA members have been awarded the Excellence FIAP Bronze (EFIAP/b) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction, they each needed 200 new acceptances since receiving the EFIAP, from 50 different images (titles), in FIAP-Patronage salons from 5 different countries. They also needed to submit four digital images that each had new Awards, in different salons (a circuit is considered one salon for this purpose), from different countries, and were included in the application acceptance list. These digital images could not resemble each other, or the digital images submitted with their previous FIAP distinction applications.

Four PAA Members Receive EFIAP/s

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

four PAA members have been awarded the Excellence FIAP Silver (EFIAP/s) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction, they each needed 100 new acceptances since receiving the EFIAP including five that had received an Award (Medal or HM), with at least 100 different images (titles), in FIAP-Patronage salons (a circuit is considered one salon for this purpose) in at least 10 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) and were included in the application acceptance list.

One PAA Member Received EFIAP/d1

After at least one year since receiving the Excellence FIAP Platinum (EFIAP/p), one PAA member has been awarded the Excellence FIAP Diamond 1 (EFIAP/d1) Photography Distinction. To achieve this Distinction, she needed 50 new acceptances that each had received an Award (Medal or HM), with at least 15 different images (titles), in FIAP-Patronage salons in at least 5 different countries. She also needed to submit five digital

images that did not resemble each other or previously submitted images, that each had new Awards and were included in the application acceptance list.

Mohammad Ali Salim Receives EFIAP/d3

After at least one year since receiving the Excellence FIAP Diamond 2 (EFIAP/d2), Mohammad Ali Salim, APSA, GMPSA, GPSA, EFIAP/d2, of East Elmhurst, NY, has been awarded the Excellence FIAP Diamond Three (EFIAP/d3) Photography Distinction, the highest FIAP Distinction Level. Salim is the second PAA member to reach the EFIAP Diamond 3 Distinction! To achieve this Distinction, he needed 200 additional acceptances that had each received an Award (Medal or HM), including at least 50 different images (titles), in FIAP-Patronage salons in at least 10 different countries. He also needed to submit seven digital images that did not resemble each other or previously submitted images, that each had new Awards and were included in the application acceptance list.



Henry Jang, MPSA, EFIAP



Thanh Lam, PPSA, EFIAP



Burr Preston, EPSA, EFIAP



Lillian Roberts, MPSA, EFIAP



Charles Stricker, MPSA, EFIAP



MinhDung Tran, PPSA, EFIAP



Inge Vautrin, EPSA, EFIAP



Jiahong Zeng, MPSA, BPSA, EFIAP



Susan Cowles, FPSA, GMPSA, EFIAP/b



Minh Nguyen, MPSA, EFIAP/b



Nan Carder, FPSA, GMPSA, EFIAP/s



Bob Chiu, GMPSA/B, GPSA, EFIAP/s



Ken Murphy, APSA, MPSA2, EFIAP/s



Angela Poggioni, MPSA2, EFIAP/s



Rowshan Akhter, APSA, MPSA, BPSA, EFIAP/d1



Mohammad Ali Salim, APSA, GMPSA, GPSA, MFIAP, EFIAP/d3

