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Finding Mistakes on the PSA Website

PSA's website of 5000 pages and growing, is a dynamic, living, breathing entity that changes nearly every day. Members move, get new emails, build galleries, win competitions, earn distinctions, attend events and volunteer for new positions. The changes come fast and furious at times. With so many moving parts, it's inevitable that mistakes will occur. Something to keep in mind, however, is that not all mistakes are equal, but most of them are fixable.

Mistakes on Your Own Computer

You may be on a particular web page and you'll click a director's linked name. By clicking the link, you expect something to happen but nothing does. Is that a mistake? Most of the time it's not. Clicking the link (that usually starts with the icon of a mailbox) should open up the default email program on your own computer. But sometimes that doesn't happen. This could be for a myriad of reasons—you may not have a default email program to open up (i.e. you always login to see your email and don't have a software program such as Outlook or Thunderbird on your computer) so nothing happens. The workaround in this case, is to hover over the linked email and see if your browser shows the email address. Another option is to "right-click" the linked email and select "copy email address" and paste it into your online email program.

This "mistake" can also happen when opening up linked documents. For some computers, a linked pdf will open but a linked doc or Excel file will automatically download to a downloads folder. Check your downloads folder before assuming a mistake has occurred.

Mistakes in the Database

You email a fellow PSA member, only to find the email from the Member Search bounces. This is quite possible because many PSA members do not remember to update their email at PSA when they change it. Please remember to update your email in the database through the Members Only area/Member Tools. Those updates are automatically put in the database when you make them and we appreciate your cooperation. Without a proper email, PSA cannot send you renewal notices, important news, and the current *Journal* links each month.

Mistakes in Facts

We try very hard to keep the website up to date with all the changes that go on at PSA, but at times we miss something important or someone sends us erroneous information. Rules and dates change for competitions and PSA often has new programs to offer or makes slight changes to already existing ones. Competitions open and close routinely and need updates. We try to keep up with all of this but sometimes we miss things. If you spot an issue, please let us know by emailing webmaster@psa-photo.org. We count on members who use the site to inform us of mistakes they come across in their day-to-day use of the website. Try as we may, keeping 5000+ web pages accurate requires a team of eyes and all of you. If you are willing, you can help us out.

You can be part of that team. ■

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