



PSA Members in England

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Congratulations

Diana Magor MPSA (Hoylake) has been elected Associate (APSA) for her service to PSA, including service as a Digital Dialogue study group administrator and for promoting PSA in the United Kingdom; for sharing her photographic knowledge and skills through teaching and judging in Europe, China and the USA; and for her leadership and service to Hoylake Photographic Society and the Lancashire & Cheshire Photographic Union.

Tony Potter (Workington) has been awarded Grand Master Silver Level (GMPSA/S)

Peter Clark (Cannock) has been awarded Grand Master (GMPSA)

John Gilkerson (Newcastle) has been awarded Master (MPSA)

Terri Adcock (Watford) has been awarded Proficiency (PPSA)

Carrie Calvert (Brampton) has been awarded Proficiency (PPSA)

Alastair Moore (Derby) has been awarded Proficiency (PPSA)

Adrian Binney (Winchester) has been awarded Qualify (QPSA)

Jo Knight (Penrith) has been awarded Qualify (QPSA)

Martin Patten (Watford) has been awarded Qualify (QPSA)

Judy Smith (Sheffield) has been awarded Qualify (QPSA)

Webinars

The PSA webinars are now even easier to access. Log in to the PSA website, select **Education>Webinar Recordings** and all the webinars can be viewed. The latest webinar is on "iPhoneography". You need to be logged in to view.

PSA Individual Portrait Print Competition

The 3 rounds of the Individual Portrait Competition are on the following dates:-

Round 1 - December 3 2019

Round 2 - February 11 2020

Round 3 - April 15 2020

Eligibility & Rules

- An entrant can enter two portrait images in each competition (round) but may NOT enter the same image in Monochrome and Colour in the same year
- An image previously receiving an Award or HM in a PID Individual Portrait Competition is not eligible for entry.
- An image may only be entered once during the year. It can, however, be entered in another season, as long as it does not win an Award or HM.
- Maximum image width (horizontal) is 1024 pixels. Maximum image height (vertical) is 768 pixels. Images should be saved as jpg files.
- The maker's name and/or image title must not be in the image area of digital

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file or it will be disqualified.

•Images may be altered, either electronically or otherwise, by the maker and artwork or computer graphics created by the entrant may be incorporated, if the photographic content predominates.

For further details see the page on the PSA website. We hope many English members will again take part.

Membership Questions

Country Directors can answer most membership questions. If you have any problems relating to payment of membership fees or changing membership details please to contact John Key.

PSA Journal

Don't forget you can download each month's PSA Journal. Log in to the PSA website, click on the "Journal" button and then on the "Journal Issues" button. You need to be signed in. You can access any Journal issue back to 2007 - one of the many benefits of PSA membership.

Complaints About Exhibitions

PSA grants recognition to more than 500 exhibitions each year and the quality control of those exhibitions is all done by volunteers who need help to identify problems - so please take the time to lodge a formal complaint if an exhibition does not appear to be meeting its obligations. By lodging a complaint (such as for non-receipt of awards or misleading information on the exhibition website) you will help PSA to improve the quality of all PSA recognised exhibitions.

Nadia Filiaggi EPSA has been appointed as the Exhibition Grievances Co-ordinator. Her role will be to receive all complaints about exhibitions that are submitted to her, direct them to an appropriate officer for action, and track the responses.

If you have any complaints about a PSA-recognised salon report this to the Exhibition Grievances Co-ordinator with details about the exhibition including the PSA exhibition number, country, email, website address of exhibition, and the exact nature of your complaint. Please contact the exhibition first before sending in your complaint and give details of this contact to the coordinator.

PSA INTERCLUB EXHIBITION

The rules and procedures for the PSA Interclub competitions have changed for the 2019-2020 season. The main rules are:

Registration Deadline: that was October 15th.

Size of digital images has been increased to 1400x1050 pixels.

No image that is entered in a previous round can be re-entered in a later round.

There will be only THREE rounds per season in each Division and the deadlines for entry will be November 15, February 15, and April 15.

Each club **MUST** get signed image releases from all participating members.

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Clubs may submit up to SIX images in each Division in each round - but only ONE image per club member.

Clubs will be assigned to groups based on the previous year's rankings so that they will be competing against other clubs that have ranked similarly. This will prevent clubs that consistently score well from overshadowing clubs that do not. New clubs will automatically be in the lowest group in each Division. Up to three clubs in each group can be moved down or up the following season based on that season's rankings.

Awards for each round have been standardized. 10% of the images in each round will receive an Award of Merit. HM ribbons will be awarded to 10% of the remaining entries.

End of Year awards for clubs: In each group, an 8x10 plaque will be awarded to the top scoring club. Certificates will be issued for 2nd and 3rd place.

End of Year awards for individuals: Within each group, among the Award of Merit images from the three rounds, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded. There will also be "best of the best" ribbons to approximately 10% of the entries. Further information about the interclub competitions can be obtained from Signe Emmerich.

Global Exhibitor Numbers

As many of you may know, PSA is in the process of developing and implementing the Exhibitor Acceptances Management System (EAMS) that will be used to support the Stars, Who's Who and Image of the Year programmes. The EAMS system will use Global Exhibitor Numbers (GENs) to provide unique identification and protection of acceptances for each exhibitor on an individual basis. A GEN website is being made ready for release in the next few weeks, at which time it will issue GENs and respond to "lost" requests. In preparation for the release, each active individual PSA member having an email address on file will receive a message containing their pre-assigned GEN. The GEN should be used while entering PSA-recognized exhibitions, whenever possible.

Getting Help With Stars and ROPA

The Stars/ROPA system can be confusing but Country Membership Directors are able and willing to help with advice. CMDs have read-access to the acceptances databases and can help if you are not sure about a salon or title or want a listing of titles or acceptances - just ask. A number of members have been helped and several have been successful in applications.

Remember to put "England" not "UK" on your applications for Stars/ROPA.

GDPR

Your contact details are only stored to enable us to send information to you from time to time. If, however, you do not want to be contacted by the Country Membership Director England or the Country Assistant Membership Director England please let us know and we will endeavour to stop the emailings.