

Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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FIAP Celebrated 70th Anniversary with Timely Competition

The International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP) was formed in 1950 and, in 2020, FIAP celebrated this significant anniversary with an international photography competition “The World in 2020” that was open to all photographers, had no entry fee, and was for photos taken during the year 2020. This competition was organized under FIAP Patronage in Luxembourg which meant that the acceptances and the medals can be used when applying for FIAP distinctions.

PAA Entrants Images Accepted

Four PAA members had seven images accepted in this competition. **Darin Hlavinka** of Meridian, ID, had three images accepted: *Human Fence at VP Debate*, *New Heights of Tension*, and *Trump Maga Supporter in SLC*. **Karl Leck** of Chadds Ford, PA, had two images accepted: *Raining 2020* and *I Can't Breathe*. **Pamela Liu**, QPSA of Los Angeles, CA, had her image *Eid Prayer Boy* accepted as did **Kieu-Hanh Vu** of Fairfax, VA, have *Drive-thru Flu Vaccine* accepted.

Only two PAA members had three

images accepted in the FIAP “We Stay Home” competition in the spring of 2020, so this is a big improvement to have four members have seven images accepted in the FIAP “The World in 2020” competition!

“The World in 2020” Results and Video

There were 1487 entrants (authors), from 81 countries, who submitted 5618 images to be judged. Members of the FIAP Board served as the judges and selected 395 images (7%) by 293 authors (19%) from 47 countries (58%) to be accepted (admitted) for “The World in 2020.”

The results of “The World in 2020” competition are linked from the PAA

website at: <https://psa-photo.org/index.php?home-2>. Additionally, a video showing the top ten images, those that received Awards, is available on the FIAP YouTube Channel at: <https://www.facebook.com/FIAPofficial/videos/3678672425521993>



Drive-Thru Flu Shot © Kieu-Hanh Vu



Eid Prayer Boy © Pamela Liu, QPSA



Raining 2020 © Karl Leck



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