

## Requirements for PAA USA Salons Requesting FIAP Patronage

An organization in the USA applying for FIAP Patronage needs to be a PSA-member club, and the Salon General Chair needs to be an individual PSA member in the USA.

\* Each judge's country of residence (not heritage) must be listed with the Judge's name in the Conditions of Entry and a photography Biography for each judge must be included in or linked from the Conditions of Entry. This biography needs to demonstrate that the judge is qualified; particularly to judge Nature, Travel, or Photojournalism (Traditional) sections.

\* At least one judge for each section must be from the USA.

\* It is highly recommended that all judges have FIAP and/or PSA Photography Distinctions. The exceptions to this recommendation would be:

- to include a zoo or wildlife photographer for Nature, as long as the FIAP-PSA Nature definition is clear to that person,
- to utilize a professional travel photographer for Travel; as long as the Traditional aspect of Travel photography is understood by this person, and the PSA Travel definition is clear to that person if the salon will also apply for PSA recognition, and
- to include a professional photojournalist for Photojournalism; as long as the Traditional aspect of Photojournalism photography is understood by this person, and the PSA Photojournalism definition is clear to that person if the salon will also apply for PSA recognition.

\* A husband-wife, parent-child, or member of the same house-hold is not allowed to judge the same section of the salon; however, they could judge different sections of the salon/exhibition.

\* No one judge can judge in more than four FIAP-Patronage salons in the USA in one calendar year.

\* The spouse, relative, or member of the house-hold of the Salon General Chair and the Software Manager cannot judge any sections of the salon/exhibition they are chairing or managing.

\* The Salon General Chair must hold a FIAP Photographer's Card, establish a FIAP Platform Number, and have a Profile, including a portrait, on the FIAP Platform.

\* The Salon General Chair must demonstrate that they understand how to conduct/manage a salon, and how acceptances and awards in this salon will be used by entrants. It is highly recommended that the Salon General Chair have a photography distinction based on Salon/Exhibition participation from FIAP and/or PSA as this would demonstrate their understanding of how acceptances are used.

\* The software to be used needs to be identified to the USA Liaison Officer in the FIAP Platform online application (not in the Conditions of Entry) to ensure that the software includes what is needed to properly manage a salon.

\* The salon General Chair must schedule and invite the USA Liaison Officer to the videoconference medal selection or set-up FaceTime for an on-site medal selection (particularly for a print award selection).

\* Emails announcing/marketing the salon to prospective entrants must be accurate and not exaggerate claims; for example, using words like the "best," "most," "exceptional," etc.

\* Facebook posts announcing/marketing the salon must be accurate and should be posted at a frequency that does not saturate any photo salon/exhibition Facebook page, for example, the FIAP PSA GPU Acceptances, Awards, and Salon News Facebook page.