

Wisconsin Professional Photographers Association

Photographic Competition Award Summary

Print Case Total

Up to eight entries are allowed in Photographic Open, and up to eight entries are allowed in Artist. The top four scores will be added together to determine the Print Case Total. Any scores below the top four will not be considered. To be considered for Portrait Photographer of the Year, all your Photographic Open entries must be Portraits, whether you're entering four, five, six, seven, or eight images.

Awards Decided by competition score

Photographer of the Year - Portrait

*Awarded to the individual photographer who has the highest scoring *print case total with all Portrait entries. If there is a tie, the title is awarded to each individual.*

Photographer of the Year - Portrait, First Runner Up

*Awarded to the individual photographer who has the second highest scoring *print case total with all Portrait entries. If there is a tie for the Runner-Up position, the title is awarded to each individual.*

Photographer of the Year - Combined

*Awarded to the individual photographer who has the highest scoring *print case total of Portrait, Wedding, Commercial, and/or Illustrative entries. If there is a tie, the title is awarded to each individual.*

Photographer of the Year - Combined, First Runner Up

*Awarded to the individual photographer who has the second highest scoring *print case total of Portrait, Wedding, Commercial and/or Illustrative entries. If there is a tie for the Runner-Up position, the title is awarded to each individual.*

Artist of the Year

*Awarded to the individual imager with the highest *print case total in Artist category. If there is a tie, title is awarded to each individual.*

Wisconsin's Top Ten Imagers

*Awarded to the top 10 imagers with the highest *print case totals regardless of the category. In the event there is a tie that brings the total to more than 10, THE TIE WILL BE BROKEN utilizing the highest scoring print in the case. Artist and Photographic Open cases will all be allowed to compete for Wisconsin Top Ten Awards, but individual prints from each case cannot be combined to form a new case after the judging. Should one imager enter two print cases that both score within the top ten, only the higher print case will count towards this award. There should always be exactly ten people honored as Wisconsin's Top Ten.*

Clean Sweep

Awarded to all individuals who scored 80 or above on 4 images in case.

Outstanding Achievement Award

*Awarded to the highest scoring non-master *print- case total. If there is a tie, title is awarded to each individual.*

Outstanding Rookie Achievement

Awarded to the highest scoring entry for a first-time competition participant. If there is a tie, award is given to highest case score.

The ASP (American Society of Photographers) State Elite Award

Presented to the ASP member in good standing for the highest scoring entry at his or her State Print Competition. This means that he or she is a member in good standing with PPA as per our Bylaws and that he or she must be current with their ASP dues PRIOR to the competition.

In the event of a tie, total case score will be the first tiebreaker.

In the unlikely event that a tie still exists, the second highest scoring entry in the case will break the tie. In the really unlikely event that a tie still exists, the third highest scoring entry will break the tie. If by the remotest chance a tie still exists, ASP will declare co- winners of the award and provide an additional trophy. Both recipients should be duly recognized at the awards ceremony for their accomplishments.

An ASP member is eligible for the State Elite Award only in the state in which he or she resides, or the state listed as their primary affiliation.

The representative from ASP should read the provided script.

CPP Award

Awarded to a CPP individual with the highest scoring print. If there is a tie, additional awards will be given.

Awards decided by Juror Panel

Best of Show Awards

Chosen by the Judges - Each judge selects their top one or two images. These images are placed together and the awards are selected by the panel of judges. Digital images, prints, and albums scoring 80 points or higher are eligible.

Best of Show Awards are given in the following categories

Portrait

Illustrative

Wedding Commercial Master Artist

Best of Show Awards given at the Fall State competition (when held) as well as the Spring State competition.

Best of Category

One image per category. Images are chosen from all images scoring 80 points or higher. Judges will be allowed to decide which image best represents each category. Awards may or may not be given each year, this will rely on the number of eligible entries.

Best of Category Ribbons are given in the following categories

- *Baby (under 1 year old)*
- *Family (3 or more people)*
- *Monochrome*
- *Macro*
- *High School Senior Female*
- *High School Senior Male*
- *Boudoir*
- *Animal*
- *Landscape*
- *Non-wedding couple*

Creative Genius

Fresh and new idea, never seen before, an outside of the box image. Need not be given every year.

Judges Choice

Awarded by each judge and jury chair, to their personal favorite image regardless of score. (Pink rosette ribbon, preferably with judge's signature on it)

Court of Honor Awards

The number of awards in each category are determined by the number of prints entered. One Court of Honor is chosen for each 20 prints entered. When there are not 20 images in a category, that category is combined with another to determine Court of Honor prints. Images are chosen from all images scoring 80 points or above. A minimum of 6 and a maximum of 8 Court of Honor Awards are chosen. Example: Wedding has 18 images entered. Illustrative has only 4. These two categories are then combined and one court image is selected. The same is true for all categories. (Plaque and blue rosette ribbon)

Fuji Masterpiece Award

Chosen by the panel of Judges from all images scoring 80 points or above in accordance with the Fuji Rules.

High School Senior Folio Awards

Senior Photographer of the Year

Awarded to the individual photographer who has the highest combined score of one senior boy folio and one senior girl folio.

Best Senior Female Folio

Awarded to the individual photographer who has the highest scoring folio of a senior girl, as determined by professional photography judges.

Best Senior Male Folio

Awarded to the individual photographer who has the highest scoring folio of a senior boy, as determined by professional photography judges.

Most Creative Senior Folio

Awarded to the individual photographer who has the highest scoring creative folio. A creative folio is an entry that has a mix of multiple High school senior's subjects. Is scored similar to other folios but also creativity and individuality are taken into account. Scores as determined by professional judges.

People's Choice Senior Female

Awarded to the individual photographer who has the best folio of a senior girl, as determined by parents and seniors. (Does not have to be determined by score, can be done by voting.)

People's Choice Senior Male

Awarded to the individual photographer who has the best folio of a senior boy, as determined by parents and seniors. (Does not have to be determined by score, can be done by voting.)

Wisconsin Elite Collection

Awarded to the top 40-50 highest scoring images. The cut-off score must be 80 or higher; typically it has been 82, 83, or 84, but varies from year to year. (Purple Ribbons)

Outstanding Artistic Quality Ribbon

Awarded by three independent judges to prints regardless of score. Judges must not be professional photographers, but some art background is encouraged (teacher, curator, artist from a different field).

Instructions to judges: Please disregard any previously awarded ribbons.

Awarded to 12 images.

Wright Award

Awarded to a regional association (Foxes, Indianhead, South Eastern, or South Central) based on a formula that computes the best attendance, participation, and print scores. This magic formula has never been fully understood or disclosed, but exists in an aging computer somewhere in the state.

Awards not eligible to be given in WPPA State 2018 competition.

Kodak Gallery Award

Chosen by the panel of Judges from all images scoring 80 points or above in accordance with the Kodak rules.

Lexjet-Sunset Award

Chosen by the panel of Judges from all images scoring 80 points or above in accordance with the Lexjet rules.

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