

## **KPPA PHOTOGRAPHIC OPEN AND ARTISTS IMAGE COMPETITION**

The "**Winter Shutter Expo**" a KPPA sponsored event, will be February 10–12, 2017, so it's not too early to start getting those images ready for competition. Again, all entries for this competition will be in electronic file form. This medium will provide entrants a chance to enter with no major print preparation expense to participate. Say you have never entered before, well, there is no better time than right now to begin. Not sure of what to enter or are you unfamiliar with the whole process? Check out the one day "**f: stop series workshop**", all about image competition to be presented January 15, in Ottawa, KS at [www.kppa.org](http://www.kppa.org) or on the Kansas Professional Photographers Association Facebook page. **Your entry fee is included for the Photographic Open OR Artists Competition as a part of your conference registration.** When you register for the Winter Shutter Expo, there is no additional entry fee for this competition unless you enter both competitions. Anyone having image files they would like to have judged but are unable to attend are encouraged to enter as well. If you have chosen to enter the PPA North Central District competition you may enter those same digital image files at KPPA. Just resize your files to KPPA specs and send them.

***PPA North Central District judging will take place March 3-4, 2017 at the Marriott Hotel and Convention Center, Middleton, WI. See the complete rules at [www.ppa.com/competitions](http://www.ppa.com/competitions).***

Entrants in the "Winter Shutter Expo" Photographic Open competition may enter up to four (4) image files or albums for scoring and awards. Entrants will also have the opportunity to submit up to two (2) additional image files for scores only. Image awards will be presented to the winners in each category and will be given both in the Master's Division and the Non-Master's Division. Additional image awards will be presented to: KS Photographer of the Year (Highest Case Score), Kansas Top Ten, Best of Show Master, Best of Show Non-Master, Novice Award (available only to first time entrants), PPA CPP Award (available only to CPPs), ASP State Elite Award (available only to ASP members) and Judges Ribbons.

Entrants in the "Winter Shutter Expo" Artists competition may enter up to four (4) image files for scoring and awards. Entrants will also have the opportunity to submit up to two (2) additional image files for scores only. Image awards will be presented to the three highest scoring entries.

This can be a valuable opportunity for to you decide which images you want to send on to PPA International Competition. See the entry details in the rules below.

**Judging will begin at 2:00 pm, on Friday, February 10, 2017 at J and C Imaging, 404 Poyntz in Manhattan, KS.** Hey! It's okay to be there even if you don't enter. Listening to the comments and seeing the images will be a valuable experience to improve your skills.

## Photographic Open, Rules, Fees and Entry Deadline

1. Entry fee for up to four (4) image files, to be scored and considered for awards is included in your conference registration. Persons wishing to enter but are not able to attend the Expo the case entry fee (four image files) is \$150.00. Entry fee for each additional image file, up to two (2) to be **SCORED ONLY** are \$10.00 each. If you chose to enter additional images files for scores only, be sure to indicate which entries are for the competition and which are for scores only. Unless otherwise noted, any entrant submitting more than four (4) entries in this competition will have the first four (4) image files used for score and award consideration. Remaining files will be used for scoring only.
2. All entries must be uploaded to the print chair by midnight,  
**SUNDAY, February 5, 2017. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
3. Each entrant must be a member of KPPA.
4. Judging will begin at 2:00pm, Friday, February 10, 2017 at J and C Imaging, 404 Poyntz, Manhattan, KS.
5. Entries created during a seminar of any sort, school class or under the supervision of an instructor will be disqualified. Any entry that has previously earned a seal of approval or merit is ineligible and will be disqualified.
6. Entrants will assign a category to each entry.  
Categories are: *Men, Women, Children, Groups, Pets, Couples (no more than two people), Illustrative, Wedding Print, Album (Multi-Maker) and Albums (Single Maker).*
7. Entries scoring 80 or more in each category will be eligible to receive awards.
8. All entries will be judged on photographic artistry and craftsmanship utilizing PPA's Twelve Elements of a Merit Print.  
*See: [www.ppa.com/competitions/international/12elements.php](http://www.ppa.com/competitions/international/12elements.php)*
9. Composite images in the Photographic Open competition must be composed entirely from elements created by the entrant.

By entering each entrant agrees they have personally originated the concept behind each entry and to the best of their recollection images represented by the entries in no way intentionally imitate any other work they are familiar with. They also certify they have created, composed and captured the original exposures and special effects were done under their direct supervision and they have read and understand KPPA rules for entry. Entrants must have obtained all necessary releases and agree to hold KPPA harmless against all claims and liabilities arising out of KPPA's consideration, display, publication and promotion or other use of each image. KPPA assumes no responsibility for damage to entries. Decisions by the KPPA Print Chair and/or the Jury Chair are final.

## Artists Image Competition Entry Rules, Fees and Deadlines

The purpose of this competition is to allow the entrant to demonstrate their art skills and expertise in pursuit of the PPA Master Artist degree (previously known as Master of Electronic Imaging degree). Entries will be judged for digital, artistic and technical proficiency.

1. Entry fee for up to four (4) image files, to be scored and considered for awards is included in your conference registration if you have chosen to enter the Artists Image Competition ONLY. If you are entering both competitions an additional entry fee of \$40.00 is required for this competition. Persons wishing to enter but are not able to attend the Expo the case entry fee for the Artists Image Competition (four image files) is \$150.00 **or** 190.00 (four image files) for both competitions. Entry fee for each additional image file, up to two (2) to be **SCORED ONLY** are \$10.00 each. If you chose to enter additional images files for scores only, be sure to indicate which entries are for the competition and which are for scores only. Unless otherwise noted, any entrant submitting more than four (4) entries in this competition will have the first four (4) image files used for score and award consideration. Remaining files will be used for scoring only.
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6. There are no individual categories for this competition.
7. Entries may be reproduced from existing photographs, portraits, graphics or any other artwork so long as the entrant is prepared to provide appropriate written documentation indicating permission for usage. This documentation may be requested by KPPA before, during or after the competition. If an entry, in the good-faith opinion of the Photographic Competition Committee, violates copyright, trademark or any other applicable law and cannot be proven otherwise, that entry shall be disqualified.
8. All processing, manipulation, artwork or rendering must be done by the entrant. No entry will be eligible if it has been made under the supervision of an instructor or as a class assignment. All images submitted must be self-directed. Images created in an educational environment under direct supervision from an instructor are ineligible.
9. Entries in the Artist category shall include any subject and must have guide images. Guide images, must be included on the submitted digital canvas. They may be placed on either side, along the bottom or a combination of both.



## **Monitor Calibration Settings**

Images will be judged using an Apple 30" Cinema Display that has been calibrated using Eye One software. The following settings are the same as PPA uses for their District and International judging and that is where KPPA's monitor will be set:

Color Temp: D65 or 6500K

Luminance: 120

Gamma: 2.2

## **Upload Procedure**

Address an e-mail to **r n s t u d i o @swbell.net**. In the subject line put "KPPA PRINTS". In the body of the e-mail include **your name, address, city, state, zip, phone number and e-mail address**. Be sure to indicate if you are a **Master, Member of ASP, Certified Professional Photographer or if you are a first time entrant**. Make sure your images are numbered, categorized and identified correctly. **Attach files; please do not embed files in the body of your e-mail** your entries and send. KPPA Print Chair will respond with an e-mail to inform you of the receipt of your files.

## **Payment for Entries**

Entry fee for up to four (4) entries in either competition is included in your conference registration (see registration information at [www.kppa.org](http://www.kppa.org) for more details). Case entry fee for those not registered for the conference is \$150.00 for either Photographic Open or Artists Image Competition **OR** \$190.00 for entries in both competitions. Remember, entrants in these competitions have the option of entering up to two (2) additional image files for scoring only. Additional entries are \$10.00 each. Unregistered entrants may pay on-line with Pay Pal using the KPPA website, **www.kppa.org** Those wishing to pay by check should make the check payable to KPPA and send it to KPPA Treasurer, Kristi Ditmer, Ditmer Photography, 5618 SW 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Topeka, KS 66614. Checks must be received by the image entry deadline.