THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA

Photojournalism Division
Galaxy 1 - 10
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ELIGIBILITY - To apply for the Galaxy Award an applicant must have a Five Star Rating in the Photojournalism Division of the Photographic Society of America (PSA) and be a member in good standing of PSA. For proof of membership, send a copy of your membership card with your application. Acceptances earned after 1999 and the last star awarded must be earned during membership in PSA as indicated by the date on the membership card.

FEE-The fee is **$15** for each North American application and **$17** for overseas applications, which will be sent by airmail. Make check or money order payable to Photographic Society of America (PSA). If publication proofs are to be returned you must send money to cover shipping costs. They will not be returned without funds to pay mailing costs. The fee includes a certificate.

REQUIREMENTS-

For Galaxies 1 through 5	**25 new titles with 3 acceptances each are required.**
For Galaxies 6 through 10	**50 new titles with 3 acceptances each are required.**

. The pictures may be a print, a slide, or electronic entry and published pictures. Each image must have been exposed by the applicant, **and must be identified by title.**

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLISHED PICTURES-Up to 40% of the above totals may be from published photographs in a traditionally printed (hard copy) publication with distribution of at least 2,500 copies. **Photographs appearing in catalogs or other publications distributed by electronic media are not eligible.** Photographs printed in catalogs from PSA recognized exhibitions **prior to Jan. 1, 2009** are eligible. If a catalog does not have a PJ section, the Applicant must submit a photocopy of the entire page and the front cover. Also eligible are all photos published in the PSA Journal (a copy of the front cover and photos must be enclosed). All daily newspapers and nationally circulated publications are eligible. Other publications must have a minimum circulation of 2,500 and these may include house organs if they are provided to 2,500 or more employees. The applicant must ascertain circulation and attest to circulation in the following manner.

I attest that each publication here listed has a circulation of 2,500 or more.
Signature

Published pictures must be fully documented with name of the maker; dated copies of publication, dated photocopies, or dated tear sheets must be furnished. Pictures must be clearly reproduced. The same picture may be claimed more than once only when published under different circumstances. Repeated publication in the same publication or several editions of the same book or pamphlet does not constitute multiple credits. Also eligible are all photos published in the PSA Journal (a copy of the front page and photos must be enclosed). These published pictures must not have been used to obtain previous star ratings. No credit will be given for pictures published in any International Exhibition Catalog or Photo Story Competition.

Judging---One judge judging more than two PJ sections at an exhibition is only allowed credit for two sections. Prior to May 1, 2001, 3 credits are allowed per section. After May 1, 2000, 3 acceptances per section if no more than 3 members on the panel; 2 acceptances If 4 or 5 on the panel; 1 acceptances if 6 -10 on panel. Acceptances are not allowed if more than 10 on a judging panel. No more than 9 judging credits may be used on any Galaxy Award. All judging credits must have been earned since the 5th star was awarded, or since the application for the previous Photojournalist Award was received. Only one judging credit may be used with each title. A judging credit may be used only once, and all judging credits earned at one exhibition must be used on the same application.

HOW TO SET UP YOUR APPLICATION- Prepare a list, in the following format:

List 1: Alphabetical Titles

Title	Exhibition	Year
1. Four Alarmer	GASO	2005
	GASO	2005
	Wisconsin	2007
2. Working	Iris	2005

Continue to 25 for Galaxies 1- 5, and to 50 for Galaxies 6 - 10.

A separate, alphabetized list of ALL previously approved titles beginning with the 1st star, must accompany the Galaxy Awards application. Successive applications must have the list of all titles and the previously validated award application.

MISCELLANEOUS-Name, address, date, and award applied for should be on every page. Use one side of the page only. Send a copy of your PSA membership card with your application. Acceptances since 1999 must have been earned while a current member of PSA.

IMPORTANT---Titles submitted for a Galaxy Award must conform to those listed in the catalogs. **Report cards will NOT be accepted.** The Salon Chairman must be notified and advised to forward each correction to the Star Rating Director. If numbers are used in the title and are omitted in the catalog, they will not be credited unless the Salon Chairman makes a correction. **As soon as you receive your catalog check your report card against the listing in the catalog. If they do not agree write the Exhibition Chairman for a correction, with a copy to the Star Ratings Director. Report cards will no longer be used for proof of acceptances for Star Ratings. Only catalog entries will be accepted.**

Catalogs are kept for 10 years so if an acceptance is older than 10 years copy of the catalog may be necessary to get credit.

Your approved application will be returned to you. KEEP IT to be returned with the next application. Do not alter an approved application.