

FELLOWSHIP DEGREE PROGRAM FOR 2008

In January, 1999, the PPC Board of Directors adopted a new degree program. The new degree program includes the following: Colorado Service Fellowship of Photography (S.F.) and Colorado Educational Fellowship of Photography (E.F.) and the Colorado Photographic Fellowship of Photography (P.F.).

In setting up the Fellowship Program, the Professional Photographers of Colorado Association was seeking a means of rewarding those who have served the membership and given freely of their time. It would also encourage those in the membership who are always willing to help to continue to do so.

A review committee consisting of Fellowship chairperson(s) current and past Fellowship recipients has been established to review the Degree applications to help with merits toward Fellowships. The primary resource for doing this will be you submitting the Fellowship Degree application at each event.

If you have any questions, please refer to Sections I - VI of the Rules and Information for Fellowship Degree call Thomas Henn, Fellowship Chairperson at (719) 481-8529; or send written questions to Thomas Henn, 17365 Caribou Dr., Monument, CO 80132-7410. Email is tl2bfree@hotmail.com

Or call Chris Waldron, Fellowship Chairperson at (719) 593-7721; or send written questions to Waldron's Photography, 4765 Park Vista Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80918. Fax 719-955-1140 or studio@waldronsphotography.com

Or call Rick Avalos, Fellowship Chairperson at (719) 542-0188; or send written questions to Avalos Fine Portraiture, 511 West Northern Ave., Pueblo, CO 80014 or rickavaport@aol.com

Professional Photographers of Colorado (PPC) Degree Program is part of the Progressive Steps of Education offered to PPC members in all specialties and levels of proficiency.

Merits can be earned toward degrees; three degrees can be earned by accumulating the correct number and types of merits. Degree holders can be recognized by the appropriate medal to be worn at all PPA sponsored events. Merits are recorded and kept on file in each active member's computer record at PPC to accumulate toward a degree.

The merit system and degree program are designed to encourage, recognize and reward those who demonstrate outstanding imaging skills and provide service and education to the profession. The program helps affiliate organizations attract program talent and encourages the individual to learn and achieve. Only PPC members will be awarded merits, and only specified merits can be applied toward a degree.

Prior to applying for one of the PPC Degrees, the degree applicant must have accumulated 30 merits and have been a PPC Active, Life or Sustaining member for thirty-six (36) or more consecutive months prior to making application for the degree.

Revision Date - 10/3/08

**Professional Photographers of Colorado
Fellowship Awards Program
Service, Educational and Photographic Degree**

Section I: Award Rules and Information/Merits

1. Service Fellowship of Photography S.F.30 Merits
2. Educational Fellowship of Photography S.F.30 Merits
3. Photographic Fellowship of Photography S.F.30 Merits
4. Gold Bar of Ribbon Service, Educational or Photographic. .25 Merits
5. Past President's and Fellowship Degree.....Ribbon

Section II: Who is Eligible?

- A. All paid-up Active, Associate, Student, Sustaining and Honorary Life Members of Professional Photographer's of Colorado in good standing.

Section III: Rules

Please read and follow these rules **exactly**. To not do so, may cause loss of Merits. If instructions and rules are not followed, the PPC may have no choice but to disallow the Merits. All decisions on eligibility for Merits will be made by the Fellowship Committee.

- A. Merits earned from October to September calendar year basis and presented in the Fall Convention. Merits to be earned in a future fiscal year cannot be entered in your record for the current fiscal year. Please turn your merit application into the Fellowship Chairperson, Chris Waldron, Rick Avalos, or Thomas Henn.
- B. Proof of Service, Educational or Print Merit for non-automatic Merits must be in the hands of the Fellowship Committee by Oct. 1, of the current year for the previous fiscal year's Merits earned. Any merits earned outside of the PPC events must be submitted by October 1 of that year to the Committee Chairperson. It is necessary to return this information with the PPC Fellowship Committee Chairperson.
- C. Proof of Service, Education or Print **must** be included with a request for Merits or Awards. This can be a copy of a Program, Newsletter, copy of PPA Award Merit, minutes of a Board Meeting, Chairperson's notes, Print Chairperson's records or Scores or Awards and Secretary of Treasurer records.
- D. The Service Fellowship Degree Award requires Thirty(30) Merits, with a minimum of twenty (20) Service Merits to be earned through service to Professional Photographers of Colorado. The additional ten(10) merit awards may be for Educational or Photographic.
- E. The Educational Fellowship Degree Award requires Thirty(30) Merits, with a minimum of twenty (20) Educational Merits to be earned through education to the Professional Photographers of Colorado. The additional ten(10) Merits may be for Service or

Photographic.

- F. The Photographic Fellowship Degree Award requires Thirty(30) Merits, with a minimum of twenty(20) Photographic Merits to be earned through State print competitions. The additional ten(10) Merits may be for Service or Education.
- G. For those individuals who after receiving either Service, Education, or Photographic Degree Awards, may be awarded a gold Bar to be worn on the neck ribbon for each additional twenty five (25) Service, Educational or Print Merits or for those who earned all three degree awards, for any combination of the three totaling twenty five (25) Merits.
- H. The presentation of Fellowship Degree Awards and the Gold Bar Award will be made at this Association's Annual Awards Banquet to those members who earned and have been notified of Award earned.
- I. All members receiving a Service and/or Educational and/or Photographic Fellowship Degree Medal with ribbon are requested to wear the Award at **ALL** formal Photographic PPA functions and monthly meetings.
- K. The Fellowship Committee have the right to change any of the Award Rules with a two thirds (2/3) vote.
- L. Committee chairman will review a written report of merits earned by October.
- M. Chairperson merits are given with satisfactory completion of service and updating their job assignments in the SOGS at the end of each year (effective 2002term).
- N. In preparation, on the first Monday of October, a Committee Chairperson will review a report of merits earned.

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Section IV: Service Merits

1. 100% attendance of programs in PPC calendar year..... 1 Merit
2. Special Board of Directors Awards (only 1 per year, not always given)..... 1 Merit
3. Committee Persons (i.e. Program/Convention)..... 1 Merit
4. Chairperson (i.e., outside of the board) 2 Merit
5. Print Chairperson (2x in one year critique/convention)..... 2 Merits
6. Board Member - 80% of meetings 2 Merit
7. Articles Newsletter (per issue - max 2) 1 Merit
8. Asst. Treasurer (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings) 3 Merit
9. Treasurer (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings) 3 Merits
10. Secretary (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings) 3 Merits
11. Vice President (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings) 3 Merits
12. President (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings) 4 Merits
13. Editor Newsletter (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings)..... 3 Merits
14. Past President's (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings)..... 2 Merits
15. Fellowship chairperson 2 Merits
16. Article written or photograph printed in PPA magazine..... 1 Merit
17. Web Master (must attend 80% of all reg. meetings & Board meetings) 3 Merits

Section V: Educational Merits

1. Speaker 1 to 2 hour PPA Sponsored Program..... 1 Merits
2. Speaker 2 1/2 to 4 hour PPA Sponsored Program..... 2 Merits
3. Speaker 5 to 8 hour PPA Sponsored Program..... 4 Merits
4. Speaker - Super Monday 2 Merits

Section VI: Photographic Merits

1. Four prints entered for critique..... 1 Merit
2. Print Scoring 80 points or better at PPC Annual..... 1 Merit
3. Print Scoring 80 points or better at RMPPA print competition 1 Merit
4. Print Scoring 80 points or better at PPA print competition 1 Merit
5. Print accepted for PPA Loan Collection..... 2 Merit
6. Photographer receiving Photographer of the Year award..... 2 Merits
7. Photographer receiving Judges choice award 1 Merit
8. Court Of Honor 1 Merit

