

Appointed Chairman of Adjudicators

The Chairman (non voting) will brief the adjudicators beforehand and observe throughout to ensure a degree of consistency. They are authorised to review 'near misses' on the day and if appropriate, re-mark the sequences which may result in a pass score.

Re Submissions in all Sections

Entrants who fail to gain the award may make a further application in the same medium and at the same level for a fee on £35.00

Withdrawal of an Entry

If an Applicant has reason to withdraw from an adjudication they will be offered the following alternatives:-

- 1 a A refund of their fees less a £10.00 Administration charge.
- b Should the applicant withdraw their entry within 30 days of the Adjudication date then the whole fee will be forfeited.
2. Subject to space being available, and payment of any balances due (if the entry fees are increased in the interim) their application will be transferred to the next adjudication. If the applicants accepts this route and subsequently withdraws a second time their total fee will be forfeited.

Joint Applications

Joint applications are permitted in Audio Visual, however both partners have to pay the entry fee, and the timing and number of sequences in the schedule are doubled. Any would be applicants should apply to either the Secretary or the Organiser (details below) for a leaflet 'Guidance Notes for Joint Applications.'

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The Photographic Alliance Of Great Britain

AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT IN THE AUDIO VISUAL CATEGORY

The next Adjudication will be held on:

Saturday 7th March 2009

at the

**Greenhill Methodist Church
School Road, Greenhill
Sheffield S8 7RL**

*Hosted by Sheffield Photographic Society
A member of the Yorkshire Photographic Union*

Awards

The Awards are open to all members of clubs affiliated to the PAGB through their Federations, they are at three levels:

Credit (CPAGB)	Blue Badge and Certificate
Distinction (DPAGB)	Red Badge and Certificate
Master (MPAGB)	Yellow Badge and Certificate

The Awards are held for life without any annual fee and holders are entitled to use the designated letters after their name.

Pre-Qualification

All applicants must pre-qualify in accordance with their Federation's criteria as having supported Federation photographic events. This support from active AV workers must have been for a minimum of 2 years for CPAGB, 3 years for DPAGB, and 5 years for MPAGB. A retrospective period of 10 years may be considered. Applicants for MPAGB must have held DPAGB for at least 11 months on the date of the adjudication.

Adjudication

Adjudications will normally be held in March every other year with a closing date for applications of 31st January. This may be varied according to demand.

The minimum number of entrants for any one day is 10. The maximum number is dependant on the length of the sequences.

Adjudication will be carried out by 3 persons selected from the PAGB AV Judges List. Each applicant's sequences will be shown consecutively, then scored as a whole by each adjudicator marking 2 to 5. Only the total score will be announced.

The applicant's name/s must not appear anywhere in the presentation.

(See guidance notes for Joint Applications)

Credit of The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

1. The standard is that of 'Good Club Audio Visual Sequences'
2. The entry fee is £50.00
3. 1 or more sequences with a total running time of 10 to 15 minutes are required or for a joint submission, 2 or more sequences with a running time of 20 to 30 minutes.
4. A total score of 10 or more will gain the award.

Distinction of The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

1. Subject to the pre-qualification, application can be made for the DPAGB Award without first gaining the CPAGB.
2. The standard is that of 'Open Competition/Exhibition Audio Visual Sequences'.
3. The entry fee is £60.00
4. 2 or more sequences with a total running time of 15 to 20 minutes are required or for a Joint Submission, 4 or more sequences with a total running time of 30 to 40 minutes.
5. A total score of 10 will gain the Award

Master of The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

1. Applicants for MPAGB must have held DPAGB for at least 11 months on the date of the adjudication.
2. The requirement is that of 'The Highest Standard of Amateur Audio Visual Sequences'.
3. The entry fee is £65.00
4. 3 or more sequences with a total running time of 20 to 30 minutes are required or for a Joint Submission, 6 or more sequences with a total running time of 40 to 60 minutes.
5. A unanimous decision by the adjudicators with a total score of 12 or more will gain the Award.

Digital submissions

These must be submitted on a CD which must contain only the sequences for the submission, and should be .EXE programmes, i.e. the sequences must run with no additional software requirements. The CD will be copied to the hard drive for adjudication, and will be erased afterwards. A digital projector, computer (Windows platform) and sound system will be provided by the organisers. Entrants may bring their own equipment but must notify the organisers of their intention, and allow adequate time for setting up. The CD containing the sequences for submission must be sent to the organiser at least 2 weeks before the adjudication date.

Slide/Tape & Stereo Photography Submissions

Slide/Tape and Stereo Photography applications will be accepted, however the entrants must be prepared to bring their own projection equipment, and project their own sequences. It is possible to use the organisers amplifier and speakers, but this should be discussed with the chairman of the adjudication well before hand. Should the stereo presentation require a special screen, then this also must be provided by the applicant. Ample time must be allowed for setting up for both submissions.

General

The method chosen for the submission must be clearly stated on the entry form, a mix of methods of presentation is **not** allowed.

How to apply for an Award

In the first instance you must apply to your Federation PAGB Awards Secretary, they will tell you whether you have pre-qualified according to the criteria laid down by your Federation, and provide you with an application form. Send this completed form together with the fee appropriate as to which award you are applying for to; Leo Rich, address overleaf. **Closing date for applications is 31st January 2009.**