

## Membership Application for International and Canadian residents

**Our Vision:** *Business first, creativity foremost and excellence always.*

**Membership Application - For use by individuals residing outside the United States or U.S. possessions. Please note that there is a special section for Canadian residents.** Please read carefully the description of the various categories of PPA membership. **1.** Select your Membership Category. **2.** Select the Specialty Classifications that describe what type of work you do. **3.** Select the descriptions in the BPA section that best describe your work. This information is used by our publications. Send your completed application with your dues payment to PPA.

**Membership Categories**

**INTERNATIONAL** - A special category for members who do not live in the United States, U.S. possessions or Canada. International Members receive the electronic edition of *Professional Photographer* magazine unless they request a printed version.

**CANADIAN** - Canadian Members can be covered by PPA's Malpractice Protection Program - the Indemnification Trust. The Trust is required for members with a Portrait or Wedding Classification. Canadian Members who select Portrait or Wedding Classifications are automatically included in the Trust (an additional \$50). The Indemnification Trust is PPA's Malpractice Protection Program, which protects you from allegations of photographer negligence during an assignment. For complete information, please call PPA's Membership Department.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Studio/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Please print your regular mailing address as it should appear for mail delivery.)

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if you do not wish to receive information via mail from industry companies.

Check here if you do not wish to receive information via e-mail on new products and services from carefully screened third parties.

Male  Female  Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Web site \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Membership Category** - NOTE: INDEMNIFICATION TRUST COVERAGE REQUIRED FOR MEMBERS WITH A PORTRAIT OR WEDDING SPECIALTY CLASSIFICATION.

Canadian \$220 US  
Includes Indemnification Trust coverage

International \$170 US  
(non-U.S. States, possessions, or territories)

**Indemnification Trust coverage is not available for International Members.**

Canadian \$170 US  
No Indemnification Trust coverage

**2. Specialty Classifications.** Tell us what you do. Please use the list of Specialty Classifications on the next page. There is no limit to the number of classifications that you may list.

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**3. Demographic Information (BPA)** - Please select from the list on the next page.

Your Organization  Your Title

**Payment (U.S. funds).** Your signature indicates your agreement to abide by the PPA Code of Ethics.

TOTAL DUES     Visa     MasterCard     AMEX     Check made out to PPA

Account number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this application, you agree to abide by the PPA Code of Ethics.

## PPA Code of Ethics

I, as a requirement for admission to and retention of membership and participation in Professional Photographers of America, Inc., agree to strive at all times to upgrade and improve my knowledge and skill of professional photography, marketing and related areas. In all my dealings with users of photography and the general public, I will: Strive to present all photographic services in surroundings and in a manner which reflects the highest levels of professionalism. 2. Use the highest levels of honesty, professionalism and integrity. 3. Not use any marketing or competitive practice which violates any Federal Trade Commission, or other Federal or State regulatory agency rule or regulation, or Federal or State statute or any decision of any Federal or State Court. 4. In all dealings with fellow professional photographers, students and others who aspire to be professional photographers, I shall share the knowledge and skill of professional photography. 5. Support efforts for and assist in the education of all interested persons and the general public in the art and science of professional photography.

**Specialty Classifications.** What kind of photography do you do? Use the following codes to complete the Specialty Classification section.

AG	General Art Tech
CAE	Aerial Photography
CAR	Architectural
CG	General Commercial
CID	Industrial
CL	Evidence & Legal Photography
DG	General Digital Imaging
EG	Educator
FA	Fine Arts
FCG	Freelance General
NA	Nature Photography
PA	Panoramic
PG	General Portraiture
PHS	High School Seniors
SG	General Stock Photography
SPE	Special Events
SPG	General Sports Photography
VG	General Video Production
WG	General Weddings
WV	Wedding Video

**Demographic Information (BPA)** Please use the letter codes to fill in the two boxes.

- (A) Portrait Studio
- (Q) Wedding/Special Events
- (B) Commercial Studio
- (R) Freelance Photographer, Primarily Portrait/Wedding Events
- (S) Freelance Photographer, Primarily Commercial/Industrial
- (T) Business/Industrial Firm With In-House Photo Dept.
- (M) Commercial photo Lab/Lab Services
- (Y) Distributor/Manufacturer
- (Z) Press/Media/Agency/Stock Photo House
- (J) Education/Student/Library
- (C) Fine Arts Photography
- (L) Other (Please Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### **My Title is (check ONE):**

- (A) Photo Studio Owner/Co-Owner (Includes Self-Employed)
- (I) Photo Studio Manager
- (C) Staff Photographer
- (J) Corp. Manager (Pres., V.P., Director, Manager, etc.)
- (M) Media/Creative/Production/Technical/Support Staff Agent
- (G) Educator/Student/Librarian
- (H) Other (Please Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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\$13.50 of your dues is applied to your Professional Photographer subscription. Payments or contributions to Professional Photographers of America, Inc., are not deductible as charitable contributions for Income Tax purposes. Payments may be deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense if you are in a photography related business. Please consult your own tax advisor. Submission of this application indicates your agreement to follow and abide by the policies and procedures and the Code of Ethics of the Professional Photographers of America. Membership commences upon receipt of payment and is for one year. Dues subject to change. Dues include \$10 per non-international member as the Copyright Protection Fund assessment.

**Information for Monthly Credit Card Option Applicants:** By submitting a monthly credit card option application, I understand that PPA will charge my credit card monthly. I understand that I will pay an additional \$1.00 per month for bank processing fees included in the dues amounts in this application. The monthly charge will appear on my credit card statements as Professional Photographers of America and the statement will act as a receipt. PPA will notify me of any dues or membership changes and will automatically renew my membership. I can at any time resign from PPA and stop charges being made to my credit card. Any payments made prior to that are nonrefundable. A resignation must be received in writing, fax or e-mail. E-mailed resignation must come from the e-mail address contained in the member's record, include their name and PPA ID number. I agree to inform PPA of any changes made to my credit card, such as a change in my account number. If PPA is unable to successfully make a charge to my credit card, PPA will contact me to make any changes or corrections to my record. If PPA is unable to successfully process my monthly payment, my membership will be considered void, and I am required to pay the balance in full to reinstate my membership. PPA is not responsible for any overdraft or bank fees charged to the member if a debit card is used for membership dues payments.