

Professional Photographers of America (PPA) and each organization agree to work cooperatively to further the interest of our common members and the photography community.

These Principles of Association affirm that:

1. We jointly recognize and acknowledge that we are autonomous organizations. We are each independently responsible for our individual organization's successes and challenges.
2. We agree to respect each other verbally and in all written communications. We will respectively communicate using the appropriate channels to voice concerns, ask questions, and resolve differences.
3. We promote mutually beneficial programs. PPA will promote the value of participation in the community network to PPA members. Community Networkmembers will promote PPA membership to their members.
4. We communicate and share information in a spirit of honesty, openness, and integrity.
5. We enhance and further develop a spirit of cooperation and goodwill between PPA and the Community Network.

To support the above principles, PPA will do the following:

- Make PPA merits available for use, according to the PPA merit system.
- Allow PPA Community Network members to use of the PPA merit program logo on approved educational events.
- Maintain a nationwide standard for image judging (12 elements of an image) and an approved jurors list.
- List all approved community network organizations and their major events on PPA.com when requested by the network.

To support the above principles, the community network member will do the following:

- Conduct its affairs in accordance with its bylaws.
- Abide by the PPA membership Code of Ethics.
- Have no membership requirements that are discriminatory or in violation of federal antitrust law.
- Adhere to federal laws against price sharing.
- Comply with renewal requirements as set by the PPA board of directors.
- Follow all PPA merit system rules as outlined in the merit chart.

Any violation may result in the immediate suspension or termination of the community network membership until the issue has been resolved.

We have agreed to support the PPA Principles of Association, and this has been recorded in our official organization minutes of the following date: _____

Community Network Name: _____

President's Signature: _____