

**WYOMING PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS' ASSOCIATION
SERVICE DEGREE PROGRAM
&
FELLOWSHIP DEGREE PROGRAM**

In April 2016, the WPPA Board of Directors adopted a new combined point system for the two WPPA degree programs---- the WPPA Service Degree and the WPPA Fellowship Degree. The intent of the two programs is to encourage more participation among ALL members, rewarding them for their achievements plus their service to the association. The degree programs offer all WPPA members an opportunity to achieve one no matter what level of proficiency or involvement. Degree holders will be recognized by the appropriate custom metals which may be worn at all WPPA, Western States District or PPA events.

SERVICE DEGREE PROGRAM

The WPPA Service Degree was first proposed to the 2016 WPPA Board of Directors by Kimberly Pezeshki. It was created to give recognition to those who selflessly serve the WPPA. Any WPPA member that has earned a total of 25 Service or Executive Service points only can be used to earn a WPPA Service Degree.

Diamond Bars--- For every 25 additional points earned, the recipient may add a Diamond Bar to the Ribbon of the Service Award.

FELLOWSHIP DEGREE PROGRAM

The WPPA Fellowship Degree was first proposed to the 2016 WPPA Board of Directors by Kimberly Pezeshki. It was created to recognize Wyoming photographers who excel nationally and serve the state association. Any WPPA member that has earned a total of 100 Fellowship Points, which **MUST** also include the following within the 100 points:

- Twenty (20) Photographic Fellowship Points
- Ten (10) Educational Photographic Fellowship Points
- Four (4) Executive Service Fellowship Points

Diamond Bar Fellowship Awards--- For every 25 additional points earned, the recipient may add a Diamond Bar to the Ribbon of the Fellowship Medallion.

Section 1: Award Rules and Information/Merits

- 1. Service Degree 25 Points
- 2. Full Fellowship Degree 100 Points
- 3. Diamond Bar 25 additional Points

Section 2: Who is Eligible?

All WPPA Active, Associate, Lifetime, Aspiring, or Student members in good standing.

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Section 3: Service Points

Note: Service Degree **MUST** include 25 Service or Executive Service points only

1. Attending WPPA/Western States District/PPA annual Convention 3 points
2. Attending WPPA Summer Seminar 2 points
3. Attending WPPA One day Class 1 point
4. Attending ANY Multi Day Class (3 or more days) Recognized by PPA.....3 points
4. Annual WPPA Active Membership paid by February 1st 1 point
5. Helping at Events (work in Print Room, Registration, Etc---2 hours minimum/ job) . . 1 point
6. Non-illustrated Article in WPPA newsletter or PPA Magazine 2 points
7. Illustrated Article in WPPA newsletter or PPA Magazine 3 points
8. Achieving Master of Photography or Master Artist Degree 3 points
9. Achieving Photographic Craftsman Degree 3 points
10. Achieving CPP Degree 2 points
11. Continued yearly compliance of CPP program 1 point
12. Continued yearly service as PPA Councilperson for Wyoming(or surrounding state)2 points
13. Continued yearly service as PPA - CPP Liaison for Wyoming 1 point
14. PPA Service Merits (shown on PPA merit report) 3 points
15. Receiving PPA National Award 2 points
16. Receiving WPPA Presidential Achievement Award 2 points

Section 4: Executive Service Points

Note: Service Degree **MUST** include 25 Service or Executive Service points only.

Fellowship Degrees **MUST** include --- Four (4) Executive Service Fellowship Points.

All positions listed must be with WPPA only.

1. Board Member (no specific Job) (must attend 80% all Board meetings annually). .2 points
2. Print Chairperson Board Member (attend 80% all Board meetings annually) . 2 point
3. Assistant Print Chair (attend 80% all Board meetings annually). 1 point
4. Membership Coordinator (attend 80% all Board meetings annually) 2 points
5. Executive Secretary (attend 80% all Board meetings annually) 2 points
6. Auction Coordinator (attend 80% all Board meetings annually) 2 points
7. Treasurer / Business Manager (must attend 80% all Board meetings annually)4 points
8. Newsletter Editor (must publish a 6 page minimum--- 4 times annually). 3 points
9. Web Master 2 points
10. Fellowship Degree Chairperson 2 points
11. Second Vice President/convention Chair (must attend 80% all Board meetings annually)2 points
12. First Vice President/convention Chair(must attend 80% all Board meetings annually) . . .3 points
13. Current Past President (must attend 80% all Board meetings annually) 2 points
14. President (must attend 80% all Board meetings annually). 5 points

Section 5: Educational Points

Note: Full Fellowship Degrees **MUST** include --- Ten (10) Educational Photographic Fellowship Points

1. Speaker 1 to 2 hours WPPA / Western States District / PPA 3 points
2. Speaker 2.5 to 4.5 hours WPPA / Western States District / PPA 6 points
3. Speaker 5 to 8 hours WPPA / Western States District / PPA 10 points
4. Speaker 1 to 2 hours - other professional photographic events 1 point
5. Speaker 2.5 to 4.5 hours - other professional photographic events. 2 points
6. Speaker 5 to 8 hours - other professional photographic events. 4 points

Section 6: Photographic Points

Note: Full Fellowship Degrees **MUST** include --- Twenty (20) Photographic Fellowship Points

1. Four prints entered Print Competition (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) . . . 1 point
2. Print Scoring 80 points or better (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) 3 points
3. Print accepted PPA Loan Collection [or Showcase book](#) 5 points
4. WPPA Photographer of the Year award (Master or non-Master) 5 points
5. WPPA Top Ten Photographers of the Year ([Master or non-Master](#)) 2 points
6. [Random Title winner](#).....1 point
7. Rookie of the year (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) 3 points
8. Print receiving Judges Choice (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) 3 points
9. [Receiving Best of Fellow Award](#).....3 points
9. Print receiving Fuji Masterpiece Award (WPPA/Western States District/PPA). 3 points
10. Print receiving Kodak Award (WPPA/Western States District/PPA). . . 3 points
11. Print receiving Lexjet Award (WPPA/Western States District/PPA). 3 points
12. Receiving ASP Award (WPPA/Western States District/PPA). 5 points
13. Receiving CPP Award (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) 3 points
14. Print receiving a score of **100** (WPPA/Western States District/PPA). 10 points
15. WPPA Best Print of show (Master or non-Master) 3 points
16. WPPA First Place Award (Master, non-Master, or CPP) 3 points
17. [Receiving Herb Lehman Katie Cummings \(Photographers Choice\)](#).....3 points
17. Serving as Print Judge (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) 5 points
18. Serving as Jury Print Chairperson (WPPA/Western States District/PPA) . . . 6 points
19. Serving as Assistant Jury Print Chair (WPPA/Western States Dist./PPA)3 points
20. Receiving Bronze, Gold, Diamond or Platinum medal at IPC/Imaging 3 points
21. Selected for Elite or Elite Plus from PPA 3 points
22. [Selected as Top 10 at IUSA](#)..... 5 points
23. [Receiving a GIA at IUSA](#)..... 10 points
- 24 [Receiving People's Choice Award](#) 2 Points

Section 7: Rules

Please read and follow these rules exactly. If instructions and rules are not followed, the Fellowship Chairperson and /or WPPA Board of Directors may have no choice but to disallow the points. All decisions on eligibility of points will be made by the WPPA Board of Directors--- and will be final.

A. Each member is responsible to submit their own Service Degree / Fellowship Degree application by January 1st annually.

B. Proof of Service, Education or Photographic points earned must include a copy of a Program, Newsletter, PPA published article, PPA Award Merit sheet, Print Competition Score Sheet, Etc. as proof of completion with Service Award / Fellowship Degree application.

C. The requirements for the Service Degree / Fellowship Degree will be retroactive as far back as the records of the association or proof from the applicant can be provided. **The PAST points will be allowed until DEC. 2018. After that it will be by the current year points only.** So get your information gathered so you don't miss out on this opportunity to get your Service or Fellowship Degree!

D. Service, Educational or Photographic points awarded may only be used once per event or description.

E. Fellowship Chairperson will submit an annual report to the WPPA Board of Directors of current members points recorded by November 1st annually.

F. Request to review or challenge points recorded must be done in writing by the applicant to the Fellowship Chairperson by February 1st annually.

G. The 2017 WPPA Board of Directors will honor any WPPA member who wishes to complete the original WPPA Fellowship Degree.

H. The WPPA Board of Directors have the right to change any reported/earned points with a two thirds (2/3) vote.

I. The WPPA Board of Directors have the right to change the Fellowship Degree Program when deemed necessary--- including descriptions, rules or points, to go into effect June 1st annually with a two thirds (2/3) vote. All Applications turned in 30 days prior will be "grand fathered" on past rules/points for a period of one year.

J. Presentation of Service Award, Fellowship Degree, and Diamond Bars Awards will be made at the WPPA Annual Awards Banquet.

K. Degree holders will be recognized by the appropriate custom metal to be worn at all WPPA, Western States District or PPA events.

Prior to request finalizing points required for one of the Service Degree or Fellowship Degrees, the degree applicant must be a WPPA Active, Lifetime, Associate, Aspiring, or Student member for thirty-six (36) or more consecutive months (with all dues paid annually) prior to making application for the degree.

WPPA SERVICE AWARD & FELLOWSHIP DEGREE PROGRAMS

Application Form:

If you are just starting to track you Degree information please use the personal Degree tracking form that is attached separately. The form below should be used to submit your yearly information. This Application Form must be submitted by January 1st annually to the Fellowship Chairperson to record. Each member is responsible for submitting their own Degree application and proof.

Please mail to: Kimberly Pezeshki, Fellowship Chairperson, at 4328 Cliff St, Laramie, WY 82070.

or email to kmpezes@msn.com If you have any questions please call at 307-460-0971

Make copy for your records. Deadline submission is January 1st of each year for the review and record of points earned.

Name: _____

Business Phone _____

Address: _____ Cell Phone _____

PPA # _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Service Points: List type	Date rendered	Event	Points

Executive Service Points: List type	Date rendered	Event	Points

Educational Points: List type	Date & Hours	Association Level	Points

Photographic Points: Print Title or Award	Year & Location	Score	Points

Applying towards: **Service Award** **Fellowship Degree** **Gold Bar TOTAL** _____

Having fulfilled the above outlined points requirements, I hereby make a formal application to the Wyoming Professional Photographers' Association towards a WPPA Service Award or Fellowship Degree. I am a member in good standing in WPPA, and have read all rules and exemplify the WPPA Code of Ethics.

Signature & Date