

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP POLICY

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Scope

This policy sets out the criteria and processes for an individual to be awarded Honorary Membership of the Western Australian Photographic Judges Association (WAPJA).

Definition

Honorary Membership is available to individuals who are not Members of the WAPJA, but in the view of the Committee, have made outstanding contributions to, and achieved recognition for excellence in, the general field of art photography and/or photographic judging.

Specific Considerations

For consideration for the award of Honorary Membership a nominee must have achieved significant and conspicuous excellence in art photography or photographic judging at State, National or International levels.

Consideration of a nominee for Honorary Membership will include:

- Overall contributions made to the general practice of art photography through camera clubs;
- Significant contributions, through employment or volunteer efforts, over an extended period (at least 5 years), to the understanding and appreciation of art photography;
- Demonstrated leadership qualities during a lengthy career as a photographer or photographic judge, well recognized in the photographic community, having had an impact at state, national or international levels.
- Active members of the WAPJA are not eligible for this designation.

Processes for Assessing Applications for Honorary Membership

Any two or more members of the Association in good standing may submit, in writing, to the Secretary WAPJA, at any time, the name of an individual for consideration as an Honorary Member. The persons nominating an individual should submit a brief biography, including accomplishments, criteria met, and reasons for granting Honorary Membership.

The WAPJA Committee will consider, at its next meeting, all submissions received. A two-thirds majority vote of WAPJA Committee members is required before Honorary Membership is offered.

Cancellation of an Honorary Membership may occur if the recipient subsequently conducts himself/herself in a manner that reflects directly and adversely on the image or activities of the

WAPJA. This provision will only be exercised in exceptional circumstances and will require the full support of the Committee. As part of the deliberations, the Honorary Member in question is also to be given the opportunity to present their case for retention of their Honorary Membership status.

Benefits of Honorary Membership

In addition to the status of membership of a select group within the WAPJA, Honorary Membership also includes:

- Presentation of the award of Honorary Membership at an Annual General Meeting;
- Listing as an Honorary Member on the WAPJA website;
- Exemption from annual fees associated with the WAPJA.
- An Honorary Member has no right to vote, but has all other rights provided to members under the Rules of Association, and other rights and benefits determined by the Committee or by resolution of Members at a General Meeting

Policy Introduction

This Policy is effective from January 1, 2018. The policy is to be reviewed every five years.