PSA, FIAP & GPU
Useful Links for Photographers

Official exhibition lists, distinction pathways, portfolio distinctions, competition definitions and member resources - prepared as a website reference.

Recommended website use: build a **Photography Resource Center** with four groups: Live Exhibitions, Distinction Pathways, Competition Knowledge, and Official Records. These links point to official organization pages rather than individual salon pages, so the resource area remains useful as events change.

QUICK ACCESS - LIVE EXHIBITIONS

LIVE

PSA Current Exhibitions

Official PSA calendar page linking to the current recognized exhibition list. PSA states that the current list is updated daily.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/exhibitions-calendar

LIVE

FIAP Approved Contests

Official MyFIAP patronage database with salon/circuit, country, sections, closing dates, fees and salon website information.

https://www.myfiap.net/patronages

LIVE

GPU Licensed Salons

Official Global Photographic Union list of upcoming GPU-licensed salons and their closing dates.

https://www.gpuphoto.com/salons/

01 PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA (PSA)

Use these links for exhibition planning, PSA Star Ratings, ROPA progression, portfolio distinctions and current division definitions.

EXHIBITIONS

PSA Exhibitions Calendar

Gateway to the current PSA-recognized exhibition list plus closed-exhibition information.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/exhibitions-calendar

RESOURCE

PSA International Exhibition Resources

Central exhibition resource page covering PSA divisions and recognized-exhibition information.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/mpage/iexhibitions

RULES

PSA Division Definitions - 2026

Current definitions for Pictorial Image, Nature/Wildlife, Photo Travel, Photojournalism, monochrome and PSA-wide AI/authorship rules.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/division-definitions

STARS

PSA Star Ratings Guidelines

Guidance for Star, Galaxy and Diamond ratings and the use of recognized-exhibition acceptances.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/mo-star-ratings-guidelines

ROPA

PSA ROPA Requirements

Current ROPA requirements for QPSA, PPSA, EPSA, MPSA, MPSA2, GMPSA and GMPSA sub-levels.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/mo-ropa-requirements

PANDULA

PSA Successful Portfolio Distinctions

Official portfolio overview page. The current page lists Pandula Bandara - Sri Lanka among photographers who have earned GPSA, SPSA and BPSA.

https://psaphotoworldwide.org/page/portfolio-overview-images

02 FIAP - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE L'ART PHOTOGRAPHIQUE

FIAP's updated distinction regulations took effect from 1 January 2026. The official service and download pages are the safest long-term links for the website.

EXHIBITIONS	**FIAP Approved Contests - MyFIAP** Searchable official FIAP patronage list for currently approved salons and circuits. https://www.myfiap.net/patronages
PORTAL	**MyFIAP Portal** Main MyFIAP portal for photographer/member access and FIAP services. https://www.myfiap.net/
DISTINCTIONS	**FIAP Distinctions Service** Official overview of FIAP artistic and service distinctions, including AFIAP, EFIAP levels and MFIAP. https://www.fiap.net/en/services/distinctions-service
2026	**FIAP 2026 Distinction Regulations & Downloads** Official hub for the 2026 regulations, application forms, practical information and Portfolio FIAP material. https://www.fiap.net/en/services/distinctions-service/more
PDF	**FIAP 2026 Distinction Regulations - Official PDF** Direct official FIAP regulations PDF. For the public website, keep the downloads hub above as the main permanent link. https://www.fiap.net/upload/files/1759856040-712c4.pdf

FIAP Portfolio note: 2026 materials include Category C portfolio distinctions. Because supporting documents can be replaced or revised, the main website button should point to FIAP's official Distinctions Downloads page.

03 GLOBAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNION (GPU)

GPU provides licensed salons plus several distinction routes, including Crown, VIP and Grand Master.

EXHIBITIONS

GPU Licensed Salons

Current list of GPU-licensed photographic salons with closing dates and links to each event.

https://www.gpuphoto.com/salons/

DISTINCTIONS

GPU Distinctions Hub

Central access point for Grand Master, Titles, Crown, VIP and distinction galleries.

https://www.gpuphoto.com/distinctions/

CROWN

GPU Crown Distinction

Official rules and application information for GPU Crown levels.

https://www.gpuphoto.com/distinctions/apply-for-gpu-crown/

VIP

GPU VIP Distinction

Official rules for GPU VIP distinctions, based on different top-prize photographs.

https://www.gpuphoto.com/distinctions/apply-for-gpu-vip/

GRAND MASTER

GPU Grand Master Distinction

Official Grand Master requirements, including the portfolio-based application route.

https://www.gpuphoto.com/distinctions/apply-for-a-grand-master-distinction/

RECOMMENDED WEBSITE STRUCTURE

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Distinction Pathways	PSA ROPA | PSA Portfolio | FIAP Distinctions | FIAP Portfolio 2026 | GPU Distinctions
Competition Knowledge	PSA Division Definitions | Nature/Wildlife | Photo Travel | Photojournalism | Open Color/Mono
Official Records	Dr. Pandula Bandara - PSA Portfolio Record | FIAP references | GPU distinction references

Verification note: Links and descriptions in this guide were checked against the official PSA, FIAP/MyFIAP and GPU websites on 1 October 2026. Rules, requirements, fees and salon dates can change; always review the current official page and each exhibition's Conditions of Entry before submitting.

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