

# **Aaron Siskind Foundation**

## **2010 Individual Photographer's Fellowship**

### *Grant Information & Application Guidelines*

**Application Period:** March 1 to May 17, 2010

**Application Deadline:** May 17, 2010 at 11:59 pm EST

#### **General Information and Eligibility Requirements**

The Aaron Siskind Foundation is offering a limited number of fellowship grants of up to \$7,000 each, for individual artists working in still photography and photo-based art. Grant recipients are selected by a review panel on the basis of artistic excellence, accomplishment to date, and the promise of future achievement in the medium in its widest sense.

*Applicants must apply online using the CueRate application system. Mailed applications and work samples are not accepted.*

**Who May Apply:** U.S. citizens whose primary residence is in the United States, or Legal Permanent Residents of the U.S. ("green card" holders). Applicants must be 21 years of age or older; Fellowship recipients must provide proof of eligibility and a verifiable social security number.

**Who May Not Apply:** Students who are now or who will be enrolled in any college degree program at any time during 2010 or 2011. Previous fellowship recipients are not being considered for new awards at this time.

**Eligible Work:** There are no restrictions on subject matter, genres or processes of past or projected work. Works submitted may be traditional photography projects or experimental works. Still photography or photographic techniques must be pivotal to the works submitted.

**Examples of Non-Eligible Work:** Film, Video; Internet projects, interactive multimedia

Fellowship recipients will be notified in late summer of 2010. Names of recipients and panelists will be posted and announced shortly thereafter. Other applicants will not receive notification.

The decisions of the Aaron Siskind Foundation and its designated judging panel as to who receives fellowship support and in what amounts will be final, private, and without appeal. As required by law, award funds must be used to further the artist's creative endeavors. Recipients will be asked to provide a summary of the uses to which award funds were put. Funds will be taxable to the recipient in 2010. ASF retains recipients' image files and supporting application material for our records. All other applicants' submitted files are purged from our database.

#### **Online Application Information**

Internet access and a working email address are needed to apply using the CueRate Online Application system. Once you have registered online, you can work on your

application in multiple sessions, saving as you go, until you are ready to submit a completed application. You can apply at any time up until the deadline; however, your application must be successfully *received* by May 17, 2010 at 11:59 pm EST. We recommend submitting it well in advance of the deadline, in order to avoid technical problems. *Note:* to access the 2010 Individual Photographer's Fellowship application, you must create a new account. Logins and passwords from previous years are no longer valid.

**A completed application consists of the following information & files:**

**Applicant Profile:** Name and contact information

**Work Samples:** A portfolio of eight (8) image files showing representative, recent work. If your work is best communicated visually by showing its physical or installed nature, or aspects of detail, you may use one or more of the eight images for that purpose.

**Text descriptors for each image:** Title, Year Completed, Medium, Dimensions

**Career summary, artist's resume or short bio** (500 words maximum)

**Work Statement:** (350 words maximum) The purpose of the statement is to give the review panel a better understanding of your work, while they are viewing it. Your statement should be clear, concise and relate to the work samples you submit.

**About your Work Samples**

Exactly eight (8) digital image files must be uploaded, no more and no less. Images will be projected for the review panel via high-definition digital projectors and viewed at roughly 30"x40" per image. With regard to the order of your images, please consider that they will be projected in two groups of four images, in the order that you upload them (Images # 1-4 will be projected first, followed by Images # 5-8).

Images must be JPEG files with the .jpg extension. The recommended color profile is sRGB. Maximum file size for uploading is 2 MB. Image size can be no larger than 1240 x 1240 pixels (a smaller image will be shown against a 1240 x1240 black background). Images should be 72 DPI, any higher will unnecessarily increase your file size. File names may only include keyboard characters: a-z, 0-9 and \_ and cannot include any blank spaces. More information about preparing and uploading your images is available in the Instructions and Help sections of the online application.

**Problems and Questions**

The CueRate online application provides a Help/FAQ page where you can read common questions and answers. There is a link to email CueRate Tech Support if you have a technical question or problem. For questions about the grant program or application requirements, there is a link to email a grant administrator. *Important:* Remember to click "Save Your Work" on the page you are working on, before going to another page!

To apply online, go to: <http://asf.cuerate.org>  
Aaron Siskind Foundation website: [www.aaronsiskind.org](http://www.aaronsiskind.org)