



IPF GRANT

2011 Individual Photographer's Fellowship

Grant Information and Application Guidelines

Application Period: April 14 -- May 17, 2011

Application Deadline: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 11:59 pm Mountain Time

General Information and Eligibility Requirements

The Aaron Siskind Foundation is offering a limited number of Individual Photographer's Fellowship grants of up to \$10,000 each, for artists working in photography and photo-based art. Recipients will be determined by a panel of distinguished guest judges on the basis of artistic excellence, accomplishment to date, and the promise of future achievement in the medium in its widest sense. The Foundation seeks to support artists/photographers who demonstrate a serious commitment to the field, who are professionally active or employed in the field.

** NEW *: Applications must be submitted through the **CaFÉ™** application system at [www.CallForEntry.org™](http://www.CallForEntry.org).*

Who May Apply: U.S. Citizens and Legal Permanent Residents of the United States, who reside in the U.S., and who are at least 21 years of age. Recipients must provide legal proof of eligibility and a verifiable social security number.

Who May Not Apply: Students enrolled in a college degree program (Recent graduates are eligible to apply). Previous IPF 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; 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 the summer of 2011. Names of recipients and panelists will be announced shortly thereafter. The decisions of the Aaron Siskind Foundation and its designated judging panel as to who receives fellowship support 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 are put. Award funds will be taxable to recipients in Tax Year 2011.

Application Information & Guidelines

Applicants must apply through the **CaFÉ™** online application system at [www.CallForEntry.org™](http://www.CallForEntry.org). Applications will not be accepted by any other delivery method. Internet access and a working email address are required in order to apply.

Once you have registered at **CaFÉ™**, you can work on an application in multiple sessions, saving as you go, until it is completed and ready to submit. You can apply at any time up until the deadline; however, applications must be successfully *received* by 11:59 pm Mountain Time on May 17th, 2011. Applications that are incomplete, or not received by the deadline, will be excluded from consideration. We recommended applying well in advance in order to avoid technical problems.

CaFÉ™ is a project of the Western States Arts Federation (**WESTAF**), a non-profit arts service organization dedicated to the creative advancement and preservation of the arts.

A completed application consists of the following information & files:

Applicant Profile: Name and contact information

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

Exactly eight (8) images must be submitted, no more and no less. They will be projected for the panelists 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 at a time (Images # 1-4 are shown first, followed by Images # 5-8). Images must be Standard baseline JPEG files with the .jpg extension. The recommended color profile is sRGB. Maximum file size is 1.8 MB. Image size can be no larger than 1920 x 1920 pixels (smaller images will be shown against a 1920 x 1920 black background). Images should be 72 DPI, any higher will unnecessarily increase your file size.

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

(**Note:** There are also fields for image "Value" and "Description" in the application. We don't include this information in our review process. "Description" can be left blank. \$0.00 can be entered for image "Value". Whatever you enter in these fields -- it will not be seen by jurors.)

Work Statement: (350 words/2000 characters, maximum) The purpose of the Statement is to give the panel a better understanding of your work while they are viewing it. It should be very clear and concise, and relate to the specific works you are submitting.

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

Additional Help and Information

CallForEntry.org provides detailed instructions and tutorials on How to Apply, Image Prep, and a Help/FAQ that will answer most questions. **CaFÉ™** Tech Support staff is available via email to respond to technical questions or problems. For grant-related questions, there is an email link to contact an ASF grant administrator.

Aaron Siskind Foundation website: www.aaronsiskind.org

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