

Photographic Alliance of Great Britain Awards for Photographic Merit



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You are receiving this Invitation as you have indicated an interest in being notified about our SPF workshops.

SPF PAGB Awards Workshop Day for those wishing Assessment of their work Sat 19TH Sept

ONLY THOSE WHO ARE RECEIVING THIS PERSONAL INVITE DIRECT FROM LIBBY ARE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND THIS SPF WORKSHOP AT THIS TIME.

This is an all-day FREE event starting at 9.30am for Tea/Coffee for 10.00am start, and being run at the United Reformed Church Hall, Carlisle.

Spaces require to be pre-booked as soon as possible but by 16th Sept at the latest. Please email Libby with all of the details indicated in the Booking Form attached to this letter please. We do expect this workshop to be full well before this deadline, the last was full in under 24 hrs! so please submit info as soon as you know you are able to attend. We can accommodate a limited number of observers at this workshop, so ALL observers must also pre-book.

Spaces for this workshop will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, with everyone able to have up to 10 photos assessed per assessor (i.e. 20 different photos max if you wish).

I will acknowledge receipt of your booking email and confirm you have a space on this workshop, and I will supply full venue details at that time. The venue will open at 9.30am, and Tea/Coffee will be available shortly thereafter ready for the 10am start.

This event will be run in our normal format with stations of assessors giving critique on your work with regard to the level you have applied for or are thinking of applying for. You will be allocated two stations of assessors and time slots (one am and one pm**), after that you can seek advice from anyone who is free at the end of each session. Prints do not require to be mounted. PDIs should be sized as 1600x1200 or smaller, and in a folder on a USB driver ready to be downloaded onto our laptop.

You are strongly recommended to register and bring work for assessment in the media you plan to apply for the distinction with, otherwise the comments given on the day will be of very limited value. You should plan to apply for the media you are best at. PDIs are not the easy option, and the greatest reason for individuals being unsuccessful are when print workers submit a PDI application rather than doing so with Prints. Those entering in PDI should ensure that they can regularly see their images projected on an 8' screen on fully calibrated equipment. **PDIs will be assessed by one projection/one laptop session if sufficient applicants book.

The assessors who are attending, will include Rod Wheelans Chairman of the PAGB APMs & Libby Smith SPF's PAGB Awards Officer and PAGB APM Sub-Committee member, together with other SPF APM assessors. Tea/coffee making supplies will be available for a donation. Bring your own packed lunch, or available from local vendors within easy walking distance

Send booking emails to - libby.neilsmith@btinternet.com by 16TH Sept.

BOOKING FORM

Please feel free to copy the following into your email message rather than sending the form if easier

YOUR NAME	
YOUR CLUB (Must be an SPF Member Club)	
LEVEL YOU ARE GOING FOR (e.g. BPAGB, CPAGB, DPAGB, EPAGB, MPAGB)	
PLEASE DELETE ONE OPTION FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING -	
I WISH WORK ASSESSED AT THIS EVENT on Sat 19th Sept 2026	YES/NO
IF 'YES' - I WILL BE BRINGING (i.e. the medium you are applying in) – you must bring only <u>ONE</u> medium. Contact Libby if you require advice before completing this section.	PRINTS/PDIS
IF 'NO' – I WISH TO OBSERVE ONLY	YES/NO
I HAVE ALREADY APPLIED FOR A FORTHCOMING PAGB AWARDS ADJUDICATION i.e. submitted a signed application form from Libby to the PAGB.	YES/NO
IF 'YES' – PLEASE INDICATE PAGB ADJUDICATION DATE	NOV 2026/APR 2027
IF 'NO' – PLEASE INDICATE WHEN YOU WISH TO APPLY FROM THE FOLLOWING	DON'T KNOW / APR 2027 / NOV 2027 / IN 2028
<i>Please Note help with whether or not you have done the necessary SPF pre-qualification requirements will be given separate to this workshop. Simply email Libby for advice. You do not need to pre-qualify to attend a workshop. NB - To be eligible for a signed application for BPAGB/CPAGB, you should have entered a minimum of 3 SPF or PAGB qualifying competitions over a minimum 24-month period. An SPF workshop can also be counted as a pre-qualifying event *conditions apply. Please also note that even if you enter at the lowest level of award, having already done the necessary SPF pre-qualifying amount required for the highest level, you must continue to support your Club in SPF or PAGB pre-qualifying events to continue to be deemed an 'active photographer' for when you wish to apply again in the future. e.g., you should have continued to enter SPF Qualifying competitions between applying for BPAGB and CPAGB etc.</i>	

Been on the PAGB's website? - You also need to read this Leaflet for **SPF Pre-Qualification Details (Stage 1) to find out how to be eligible for a signed PAGB Application Form from Libby, and submitting with payment to the PAGB for a space on a forthcoming PAGB Awards Adjudication** (follow the link or copy to your browser)

https://www.scottish-photographic-federation.org/sites/default/files/downloads/spf_pre-qualification_and_pagb_awards_general_info_2026.pdf

Also see PAGB Awards Leaflet 1 (Feb 2026) for more on Stage 2 of the process

https://www.scottish-photographic-federation.org/sites/default/files/downloads/apm_leaflet_1.pdf

and PAGB Awards Leaflet 1 FAQ Supplement (V Jan 2024)

https://www.scottish-photographic-federation.org/sites/default/files/downloads/apm_leaflet_1-faq_jan_2024_0.pdf

NEED HELP? – HAVE QUESTIONS? – WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?

CONTACT LIBBY ON - libby.neilsmith@btinternet.com

OR for all up-to-date info about the PAGB Awards scheme visit the SPF website's dedicated webpage

<https://www.scottish-photographic-federation.org/pagb-awards-applying>

OR for loads of successful SPF applicant's galleries

<https://www.scottish-photographic-federation.org/pagb-awards-results>