

Photographic Society of South Africa

PSSA NATIONAL Judges Accreditation Program 2024

The National Judges Accreditation Program is a comprehensive learning opportunity for both new and existing judges to enhance their judging skills in a relaxed and informative environment. The course will be run through a virtual platform (Zoom) to make it as easy as possible to participate no matter your location.

Importantly, the JAP program is not only for new judges, and we would like to encourage existing judges to continue their judging development and skills by applying, even if you have previously completed the JAP, as we should never stop learning.

The JAP has moved from a regional training forum to a national forum with a national committee running the program. This change has been implemented to enable JAP training consistency throughout the regions.

The aim of the national Judging Appreciation Programme (JAP) remains the same, which is to train and equip new and existing judges to be fair, ethical, open minded and knowledgeable and to promote continuous learning in the evaluation of photographs.

On completion of the program (80% attendance is required) and one is successful with your accreditation evaluation, you will receive a PSSA JAP accreditation certificate and be enrolled onto the national judges data base, which can be accessed by all regions and clubs through the PSSA website under the JAP tab.

Brief outline of the course:

- 1. Applications open 1 March 2024 & close 30 April 2024
- 2. JAP start date 6 July 2024
- 3. Presented nationally via zoom
- 4. Duration: 12 month period ending with a final accreditation evaluation
- 5. Module presentations will be scheduled monthly on the first Saturday of every month 9:00 12:30
- 6. In the event of a long weekend, the module will be held on the 2nd Saturday of the month
- 7. Program cost: R550 per/p paid either by the region, club or participant

We will be accepting applications from 4 star and above and we will endeavour to accomodate all applicants that qualify, but there will be limit to seats available. A screening process will to take place in the event of an over subscription to the program and applying does not guarantee a place on the program. We do ask that if you apply and are accepted, that you commit to judging thereafter.

Applications close 30 April 2024

Once you have been accepted, documentation, reading material, modules and dates will be sent through to you before the program begins.

To improve your chances of being selected, please add any applicable PSSA Honours you have been awarded.

For further information please contact Alan Nixon or François Roux

Click the Application form link below to fill out and submit your application.

APPLICATION FORM

We look forward to your application and participation in the 2024 Judges Accreditation Program

Kind regards

Alan Nixon National JAP Committee Chairman

National JAP organising committee:

Alan Nixon: JAP Committee Chairman

Francois Roux: PSSA Financial Director & Company Secretary

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