

Professional Photographers of Western Michigan

2017 PPWM MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Please print)

Name _____ Spouse's Name _____

Business Name _____

Business Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Phone: Business _____ Fax _____ Home _____

Sales Tax # _____ PPA Member # _____ Member PPM? YES NO

E-Mail _____ Web Site _____

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS

_____ **ACTIVE (Gold Card) \$135** Full-time owner or manager of a photographic business.
• Has voting rights. (Maximum two Active Memberships per studio.)
• No charge to attend regular meetings. (Dinners and all-day seminars not included.)
• No entry fees for Print Competitions

_____ **PPM MEMBER \$110** Special Savings!
• Save \$25 if you are a current member of PPM

_____ **ASSOCIATE \$45** Employees and spouses of Active members.
• Eligible for print competition. NO voting rights.

_____ **ASPIRING \$75** Individual membership for "entry level" professional photographers.
• Membership valid for one year. NEW MEMBERS ONLY.
• No Voting Rights, NOT eligible for print competition.

Application must be filled out completely, the Code of Ethics on the second page read and signed, and submitted to the Membership Chairperson with a check for the appropriate dues made payable to PPWM.

Send completed application and payment to:

Angela Lawson
4160 Lake Michigan Dr. NW
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Grand Rapids, MI 49534
angela@aglphotography.net

***SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION DOES NOT GUARANTEE MEMBERSHIP**

*Your application will be reviewed by the Board of Directors of PPWM at the first possible business meeting. Final approval for all memberships shall be vested solely in the Board of Directors of the association. The right of use of the name, seal, logo or other identifying insignias of the Professional Photographers of Western Michigan shall be the sole privilege of PPWM members in good standing.

PPWM CODE OF ETHICS

Upon being accepted into membership in the Professional Photographers of Western Michigan, an applicant will subscribe, without reservation, to this Code of Ethics and will solemnly agree to:

- (1) Endeavor to enhance and ennoble the status of the photographic profession by maintaining a dignity of manner in my behavior, in the presentation of my photography and photographic services, in the appearance of my studio or place of business, and in all other forms of public contact.
- (2) Observe the highest standard of honesty in all my transactions, avoiding the use of false titles, confusing or inaccurate technical terms or descriptions, and misleading terms or claims.
- (3) At all times endeavor to produce those types of photography and photographic services that will enhance the prestige of the profession, to apply my best efforts in behalf of the public, and to play my part in raising the general standard of photographic craftsmanship.
- (4) Show a friendly spirit of cooperation with my fellow photographers and assist them whenever possible should they be in trouble or difficulty.
- (5) At all times avoid use of unfair competitive practices as determined by any court of competent jurisdiction, the federal anti-trust laws, and related statutes.
- (6) Assist and give of my knowledge to the members of my profession, and encourage them individually and collectively, so that the quality of photography may constantly be raised to higher standards.
- (7) Recognize the authority of this association in all matters relating to the interpretation of this code in accordance with the statutes of the United States and the various states and decisions of courts and governmental agencies of competent jurisdiction.

I hereby apply for membership in the Professional Photographers of Western Michigan. If accepted, I promise to contribute to the association and its activities whenever possible. I promise to promote fellowship, cooperation and the educational welfare of my fellow members. I have thoroughly read and promise to abide by and comply with the above PPWM Code of Ethics.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____