

Criteria for FIAP Awards for AV workers - (updated June 2017)

(NB:- The alterations to the earlier criteria are to the AV_MFIAP section)

INTRODUCTION

This document is intended to inform you of the requirements by way of achievement that are required of prospective candidates for the FIAP Distinction Awards. It does not set out to explain how you go about applying for those awards.

Each of the three FIAP Liaison Officers for the UK are entitled to have their own processes and timescales, so for Scottish and Welsh candidates, you should refer to your own Liaison Officer.

For the rest of the UK the PAGB 'e-news' and the PAGB web site will be used for sending out initial information regarding the submission of applications. In broad terms information will be posted about August each year, which will invite members to notify the FIAP Liaison Officer of their intention to apply for an award by email from October or November up until 31st January the next year. Once you have notified us in this way the relevant "Application Package" will be sent to you by email. This will contain all the information that you will need to complete the process, including a copy of the relevant FIAP Dossier file. You will then have plenty of time as the deadline for completion of the process (ie having the full submission completed and with me) will be March 31st the following year.

NB:- Applications for the MFIAP distinction are an exception to the previous paragraph. Please see below for further details.

The following Awards will be granted by FIAP subject to candidates achieving the necessary criteria:

Artist FIAP / Audio-Visual	AV-AFIAP
Artist FIAP / Audio-Visual	AV-EFIAP
Master FIAP / Audio Visual	AV-MFIAP

AV-AFIAP DISTINCTION

Your first acceptance must be received at least 12 months before you can be awarded your AFIAP certificate. In this period you are required to gain at least **12 Acceptances** with at least **5 different AV sequences**. This success must have come from at least **6** international events salons with FIAP Patronage in at least **4 different countries**. A Circuit counts as a single salon.

At this point some explanation may well be useful. Please note that these notes also apply to applications for the EFIAP award.

Counting Salons:- Reference is made to "circuits". This is the type of salon that in effect consists of more than one separately selected salon within the one event. So if for example you were to enter 4 sequences into a section of a salon with four integral salons, they would be subject to selection on four separate times by different panels of Selectors and it is entirely possible for you to gain 16 acceptances from your four entries. Whilst you can claim all those acceptances towards your award, the "Circuit" only counts as ONE country for the purpose of assessing how many salons you have achieved.

Counting Countries:- When assessing how many countries you have achieved, be aware that England, Scotland and Wales are different countries. Each will count towards the required total you have to achieve. This is because, whilst members of PAGB, these federations are also individual National Federations affiliated to FIAP.

You will be required to donate a very good duplicate of 2 of your AV sequences that have received acceptances to FIAP for their collection. If successful you will be permitted to put "AV-AFIAP" after your name (but not "AFIAP")

AV-EFIAP DISTINCTION

Candidates must hold the AV-AFIAP award. You can apply for AV-EFIAP not less than 12 months after being granted your AV-AFIAP award.

In this period you must have gained at least **50 acceptances** with at least **20 different AV sequences**. This success must have been gained from at least **18 international events** in at least **10 different countries**. A circuit counts as a single salon.

You will be required to donate a very good duplicate of 2 of your AV sequences that received acceptances to FIAP for their collection. If successful you will be permitted to put "AV-EFIAP" after your name (but not "EFIAP").

THE AV-MFIAP DISTINCTION

This award "Master Photographer of FIAP in Audio-Visual" (AV-MFIAP) is the highest award that FIAP grants to AV workers and is not lightly approved.

You must have been the holder of AV-EFIAP for at least **3 years (ie 36 months)** from the date on your EFIAP certificate before you can be granted AV-MFIAP. In this context remember that AV-MFIAP applications are currently assessed in April each year at the FIAP Directory Board Meeting, ie about two months before AV-EFIAP Certificates are likely to be signed.

If you have already submitted an application and been unsuccessful you must wait for a further **3 years (ie 36 months)** before FIAP will consider any further application. Additionally any one person will only be allowed a total of three applications for MFIAP; ie after two unsuccessful attempts, failure at a third will mean no further application can be made.

You will be required to submit

- i) A complete curriculum vitae using forms prescribed by FIAP.
- ii) **2 AV sequences**. One of the sequences must have been produced after the awarding of the AV-EFIAP distinction and the other produced especially for the AV-MFIAP application and this must have never been shown before.
- iii) An introductory text that describes the subject and the creative conception of the author.

Successful applicants will be able to put "AV-MFIAP" after his name (but not "MFIAP")

The timetable for AV-MFIAP is different from the previous awards because they are assessed at the April/May meeting of the Directory Board, with a closing date of the 31st January each year, candidates must therefore complete the required documentation and send it to the FIAP Liaison Officer **no later than 15th December** in any given year. You should contact your FIAP Liaison Officer in plenty of time for him to supply you with detailed instructions and also to allow you enough time to put the application together.