



## Congratulations on your achievement!

We're looking forward to celebrating with you at the Award & Degree Ceremony on Tuesday, February 2, 2027, at the Charlotte Convention Center, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Below you'll find all the important information and room locations for your participation in the ceremony.

- **Award Recipients & WPC Finalists Webinar — Save the Date**

When: Thursday, January 14, 2027 at 2:30pm EST

Register Here: [ImagingUSA.com/ADwebinar](https://imagingusa.com/ADwebinar)

Join us for a quick webinar with our Events team as we walk you through all the backstage details—flow, timeline, and procession—for the Awards & WPC portions of the Awards & Degree Ceremony before heading to the convention. It's your big night, and we want to make sure you feel confident and ready to rock the stage!

- **Award & Degree Recipients: Q&A  
Required if you plan to walk the stage**

When: Tuesday, February 2, 2027 from 3:15–4pm EST

Where: Crown Ballroom, Meeting Level

We ask you to be in your assigned seats by 3:15pm for a briefing and short ceremony rehearsal. We'll review the ceremony flow and answer your questions.

- **Award & Degree Ceremony**

When: Tuesday, February 2, 2027 from 5–6:30pm EST

Where: Crown Ballroom, Meeting Level

As we celebrate the tremendous achievements of photographers, we ask you to be in the ballroom by 4:45pm. General admission begins at 4:30pm and the ceremony will begin promptly at 5pm.

Ceremony Attire:

Men – Suit/tuxedo with collared shirt required.

Tuxedo rentals available from [Menguin.com](https://menguin.com).

Women – Cocktail dress or evening wear.

Designer clothing rental available from [RentTheRunway.com](https://renttherunway.com)

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## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

To help ensure you receive the recognition you deserve, here are some housekeeping tips:

### 1. No photography during the ceremony

We kindly ask family and friends to abstain from taking photos during the Award & Degree Ceremony, as stopping for photos on stage can interrupt and delay the ceremony. Please let your family and friends know they may take as many photos as they like after the ceremony.

### 2. You will be brought backstage before the ceremony starts

**PPA Award Recipients** — You will be called on stage individually to receive your award. Then, you will return to your seat using the stairs on the opposite side of the stage.

**Imaging Excellence Recipients** — You will gather backstage, then proceed onto the stage as a group as your names are read. There will then be one round of applause and you will exit as a group.

## PPA AWARD & DEGREE CEREMONY SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, February 2, 2027**

**Crown Ballroom, Meeting Level**

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|----------|----------------------------------------------|
| 3:15–4pm | Briefing/Rehearsal with all award recipients |
| 4:30pm   | Doors open for the Award & Degree Ceremony   |
| 5–6:30pm | Award & Degree Ceremony                      |

Additional questions about the ceremony?

Email [merits@ppa.com](mailto:merits@ppa.com) or call 404-522-8600

We look forward to celebrating with you!