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Applications for the Fellowship can be found here: apply.nyfa.org/submit. All applications need to be submitted online via the Submittable portal.

I have been awarded a NYSCA/NYFA Artist Fellowship in Photography in the past. Can I apply for the JGS Fellowship for Photography?

Yes. With the exception of past JGS recipients, all previous applicants and recipients of NYFA awards, including the NYSCA/NYFA Artist Fellowship in Photography, are eligible to apply for this award.

I work in video/moving images. Am I eligible to apply?

No. Only artists working in still photography where traditional or experimental photography techniques are used are eligible for the JGS Fellowship for Photography.

I live and work in New York City. Can I apply for this Fellowship?

No. This grant is not eligible for any New York City counties (*Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond*).

The JGS Fellowship for Photography is open to artists living and working in counties outside of New York City. These counties are: Albany, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Dutchess, Erie, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Nassau, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Putnam, Rensselaer, Rockland, St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Suffolk, Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Westchester, Wyoming, and Yates.

I do not have a specific project in mind. Can I still apply?

Yes. The JGS Fellowship for Photography is not a project grant which means that if awarded, funds do not need to be used on a specific project. Applicants should be applying with completed works.

When will recipients be announced?

Recipients of the JGS Fellowship for Photography will be announced in late August 2023.

Can I view my application after it has been submitted?

You can view your application after you've submitted by first logging into your Submittable account here. Once you are logged in, click on the "View Your Submissions" button in the top right corner of the page (you may be prompted to sign-in to your account for a second time). On the next page, you will find a list of all your Submittable applications. Locate the submission you want to view, and click on the name of the submission. You'll be taken to the submission's details

page. Click on the "Forms" tab, and you will be able to see all of the information you entered for that application. You are also able to download a copy of your application for your records, including any of the files you attached to the submission, i.e. your work samples.

I've submitted my application for this year. Can I use my Submittable account to apply for applications in future award cycles?

Yes. Once you have created a Submittable account, you can continue to use this login information to apply for future award cycles, and so much more! Submittable hosts a variety of applications for awards, exhibitions, and opportunities. You can now use your account to apply to any of the applications available on Submittable. Your account is not strictly tied to the JGS Fellowship for Photography application.

I am unable to upload my work samples because my files are too big. What should I do?

The JGS Fellowship for Photography applications have an upload limit of 2GB. If you are submitting images, each image can be no larger than 4MB. You can resize images using image editing software such as Photoshop, Preview, etc. We highly recommend completing your application well in advance of the deadline to allow time for work samples to upload and to avoid potential technical problems.

Can I submit my application after the deadline?

All applications must be submitted by the deadline date. Please note that the application form will automatically close at the deadline time of 5:00 PM ET, regardless of whether you still have a draft application open on your browser. We strongly encourage you to submit your application at least 24-48 hours before the deadline date to allow time to address any technical issues.

How do I use Submittable to submit my application?

Step-by-step guidance for using the Submittable platform and setting up a free account is available here.

How do I preview my submitted application?

To preview your submitted application, please sign in to your Submittable here. Note: Submitted applications should only be previewed using the link above. You may not be able to preview your submitted application by signing in through the same portal link you used to apply.

Can I save my application as a draft before submitting?

Yes. To save your application as a draft, scroll to the bottom of your working application and select "Save Draft." Sign in to your submittable account to view your draft applications. You can also sign in via the direct link to saved drafts here.

I can't log into my Submittable account. Should I contact NYFA?

NYFA staff do not have access to your Submittable account. If you are unable to login to Submittable, or are having other issues related to the website, we suggest you contact Submittable directly at submittable.com.

I have been running into issues accessing or submitting my application, what should I do?

We highly suggest using a laptop desktop computer to complete your application on the platform. For a smoother performance, we recommend using either Firefox or Chrome as your browser. If you're already using Chrome, please Clear the browser cache and cookies. Additionally, please make sure you are using the most up to date version of your browser.

If you are still running into technical issues, you can reach out to Submittable's Support team directly via the contact form, Submitter Support, or via the support email address submittersupport@submittable.com so that they can troubleshoot directly.