

JGS Fellowship for Photography

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ELIGIBILITY

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, Schuylar, 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.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Where do I find the application for the JGS Fellowship for Photography?

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

If you have not submitted an application with NYFA's Grants department before, you may need to create a new Submittable account. [Visit www.submittable.com to start a free account.](http://www.submittable.com)

If you have submitted an application with NYFA Grants in the past, you can use those credentials to apply for this fellowship.

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](#).

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.

I am running into technical issues either accessing Submittable or attempting to complete my application on Submittable. What should I do?

We highly suggest using a laptop or 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.

NYFA staff do not have access to your Submittable account.

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](#).

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.

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.

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. NYFA cannot extend the deadline regardless of the cause of the problem you may have encountered.

Why are you collecting demographic data from applicants and who has access?

By completing this information you are helping NYFA secure future funding, collect general information about our audience, and properly assess our effectiveness in serving the creative community. Your responses will remain confidential and will only be reviewed by NYFA staff members. Any personally identifying data will be removed prior to sharing the demographic data with third parties.

NYFA is committed to supporting individuals from all backgrounds and disciplines and will continue to work towards values of equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility across all programs. [Read NYFA's DEIA statement on our website.](#)

REVIEW PROCESS AND NOTIFICATIONS

How will applications be selected for funding?

Applications are reviewed by panelists through elimination rounds, producing a smaller pool for each round. An artist's advancement is a product of the collective vote of the panel. A single panelist cannot ensure an applicant's success or failure.

How are panels assembled?

Panelists are individual artists and arts workers with an expertise in photography. NYFA makes every effort to assemble diverse panels, considering gender, ethnicity, cultural

background, and geographic location. Panelists' names are kept confidential until the awards are announced.

When will I be notified about the outcome of my application?

All applicants will receive notification on the outcome of their application in Fall 2024. Please do not email us regarding the status of your application.

How much funding is awarded to each recipient?

Each recipient of the JGS Fellowship for Photography receives a \$8,000 unrestricted cash grant.