

International Photography Awards: The Lucie Awards

Our Mission

The spirit behind the Lucie Awards is to salute the achievements of the world's finest photographers, discover new and emerging talent, and promote the appreciation of photography. December 7, 2003, marked the first annual Lucie Awards ceremony acknowledging photographers achievements from around the world in multiple categories. The Lucie award has been established to give influential artists peer recognition.

"I am deeply honored to have been nominated by the Advisory Board from the International Photography Awards...I salute you in English and other understandable lingo" ~ Henri Cartier Bresson

"I feel honored by your board's generous consideration of my work" ~ Irving Penn

The Lucie Trophy

The trophy was influenced by two images of women by photographers Frantisek Drtikol and E. O. Hoppe. Taken from the Latin root "lux" meaning "light", Lucie embodies the light that professionals in the photography industry shed on all of our lives.

"Light is my inspiration, my paint and brush. It is as vital as the model herself. Profoundly significant, it caresses the essential superlative curves and lines. Light I acknowledge is the energy upon which all life on this planet depends." ~ Ruth Bernhard

Gala Award Celebration

The Lucie Awards gala affair is an annual event gathering the international photography community together to pay tribute to the world's most outstanding photographers. Awards are given for Lifetime and Outstanding Achievements. The gala award ceremony celebrates photography and those who have devoted their life's work to its many industries including: fashion, photojournalism, advertising, and fine art.

The week leading up to the Gala Awards ceremony is filled with gallery openings, lectures spotlighting the photographers, parties celebrating the Lucie Award, and special events honoring the work of the Masters in the field of photography.

IPA Advisory Board Nominates Professionals in the Following Categories

Lifetime Achievement Award, Outstanding Achievement in Advertising (presented by APA), Outstanding Achievement in Architectural Photography, Outstanding Achievement in Music Photography, Outstanding Achievement in Entertainment Photography, Outstanding Achievement in Documentary Photography, Outstanding Achievement in Fashion Photography, Outstanding Achievement in Fine Art Photography, Outstanding Achievement in Photojournalism, Outstanding Achievement in Portrait Photography (presented by ASMP), Outstanding Women in Photography (presented by WIPI), and Outstanding Achievement in Still Motion Photography.

Discovering New and Emerging Talent

IPA is committed to recognizing professional and emerging artists by presenting them with Lucie trophies for the New Discovery Award and Photographer of the Year Award. The recipient of the Photographer of the Year award also receives a financial reward.

Sponsorship

The Lucie Awards is funded entirely through commercial sponsorship. The generous support of our sponsors has enabled us to present this prestigious showcase that aims to advance the creative work of photographers around the world.

