

# Student Scholarship Opportunities

SPE National Conference

March 13-16, 2008 in Denver, Colorado

The Society for Photographic Education (SPE) is pleased to offer the following opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students. These awards are made possible by the generous support from artists, organizations, individuals and merchants. Student scholarship recipients will be recognized at the national conference. SPE encourages students to participate at regional and national levels of the organization. Expand your education and network of contacts in the field by getting involved.

## SPE STUDENT AWARDS

SPE student members can apply for scholarships to offset the cost of attending the 2008 national conference. This year we will offer eleven \$500 SPE Student Awards to our talented student members. All SPE Student Awards, including the Jeannie Pearce Award, feature a \$500 travel stipend to attend the national conference in Denver, a 2008 national conference fee waiver and a one-year membership to SPE.

## THE FREESTYLE CRYSTAL APPLE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHY

The Freestyle Crystal Apple Award, generously sponsored by Freestyle Photographic Supplies for the past five years will now be called **The Freestyle Crystal Apple Award for Outstanding Achievement in Black and White Photography**. Freestyle's goal in changing the eligibility of this award is to provide greater support for students working in traditional black and white silver imaging and alternative processes. One student will be awarded a \$5,000 cash prize, a 2008 national conference fee waiver and a one-year membership to SPE. The sponsoring faculty member will be presented with an engraved crystal apple. Please note: sponsoring faculty must teach at the institution where the student is currently enrolled.

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## ELIGIBILITY

The **SPE Student Awards** are open to all graduate and undergraduate students majoring/concentrating in photography. The **Jeannie Pearce Award** is open to all such students working with digital technology. **The Freestyle Crystal Apple Award for Outstanding Achievement in Black and White Photography** is open to continuing full-time graduate or undergraduate students majoring/concentrating in photography at a degree or certificate-granting college or university. All light-sensitive black & white photographic processes, including alternative processes (i.e. Cyanotype, Gum Bichromate, Van Dyke Brown, etc.), that start from a black & white negative are eligible for this award. Digital images will not be eligible.

Students must be current students not graduating before the end of the academic year 2007-2008. All applicants must be members of SPE. Students may become members when submitting their scholarship applications. Please refer to the checklist below for the scholarship application requirements. A completed application form must be included in the application material. Failure to enclose any portion of the application materials will result in not being considered for any of the awards. Students who are not already 2007 SPE members must include payment (\$50) to join SPE as a 2008 student member. Students are not eligible to receive the same award for two consecutive years, and cannot receive two awards at the same time.

## JURORS

Four jurors will evaluate applications and select scholarship recipients. Applicants will be evaluated on visual or written submissions, activity in the field as a working artist or writer and on the letter of recommendation provided by an instructor. This year's jurors are Lawrence McFarland (chair), Hannah Frieser, Elizabeth Greenberg and Betsy Schneider.

## DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2007 (POSTMARK)

**SUBMIT YOUR MATERIALS TO:** Society for Photographic Education, SPE Student Scholarships, 2530 Superior Avenue, #403, Cleveland, OH 44114. SPE is not responsible for lost or damaged materials.

## QUESTIONS

Please direct any inquiries to the SPE national office at 216/622-2733 or [speoffice@spenational.org](mailto:speoffice@spenational.org). Visit our website at [www.spenational.org](http://www.spenational.org) for details, guidelines, forms and deadlines for scholarship, membership and volunteer opportunities.

### 2008 SPE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation/University \_\_\_\_\_

#### SCHOLARSHIP APPLYING FOR (check all that apply)

- SPE Student Award                       The Freestyle Crystal Apple Award  
for Outstanding Achievement in  
 Jeannie Pearce Award (digital only)       Black and White Photography

#### APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- 4 sets of five slides or 4 one-page printouts of five thumbnail images (with up to three additional detail slides or thumbnails per work), or 4 copies of a 3-page academic paper
- 4 copies of a letter of recommendation from a current photography professor
- 4 copies of a statement addressing how your attendance at the conference will benefit you as well as an overview of prior involvement with SPE or other arts organizations
- 4 copies of a one-page resume with name, address, phone number, email address and current institutional affiliation
- 4 copies of a description of the conceptual basis of your work and its technical qualities including a description of processes used
- 4 filled out copies of scholarship application form
- 1 copy of a current college student ID indicating graduate or undergraduate status and expected date of graduation
- 1 self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) for return of slides
- \$50 membership payment for 2008, if not a current 2007 SPE member