

Actions and decisions – RPS CG meeting 2022-04-26

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0426/1 – SIG objectives doc

Agreed with suggestions from Alexandra.

0426/2 – “sandpit” idea

People send in images and words; pick out folk to come and present; have q & a on the presentations. Much like regular repeats of what we did at the AGM.

Topics: (2) “dream or nightmare”, (1) “mobile phone moments”, (3) “who I am, who am I?”

Plan to have max of 10 people presenting. (This many took 2 hours to get through at the AGM session.) Some uncertainty on selection if we get more than 10 people asking to present – could be “first 10” or “selected 10” (select for diversity of topics) get discussion opportunity, but could display everyone’s SOI (150 words) and images on the YouTube videos that result.

0426/3 – bursary idea

Group account has significant balance ~ £13k. Legacy was given ~£9k.

Consider as initially 1-off event. Target individuals 18+, or <18 (e.g. schools – has to be through RPS rather than direct from us), or photography as therapy. What are RPS’ existing system for bursary distributions?

Criteria? Value? What’s in it for us? Perhaps a book, zine or exhibition?

“Young Contemporary Photographer”? Or through a school? City vs rural school.

Agreed £1500, 1 year, for a school. Agreed not to rush to get this out immediately, schools/teachers need to be able to respond.

0426/4 - Events for next 12 months

What is happening in regions?

Create a spreadsheet, put on a Teams site, share with all group rps.org

0426/5 – dates for next meetings

End July. Cycle through Monday, Tues

Mon July 25th, Tues Oct 4th, Wed Dec 14th. 19:00

0426/6 – Social media

Let’s get a committee member on board to handle this.

0426/7 – membership letters

Need to advertise for someone to handle this.

0426/8 – Feedback to memcom

Suggest that every SIG should have a free seat in the FRPS distinctions sessions so that we get a way of providing feedback to membership. Adrian may be able to do this (he’s relatively nearby).

Advertising policy agreement between SIG's. Social media channels being hijacked when a member asks a question, answers then directing across to other groups.

0426/9 – AOB

Music for videos of members' images.

Looking for speakers for the monthly meetings.

Succession planning for Brian's role supporting the Contemporary Photography journal layout and liaison with printing companies.

	Action/comment	Who	By when
0426/2	Develop general blurb on the concept plus specific blurbs on the 3 planned topics. Publish as news item on rps.org, plus 3 events, plus broadcast email. Link blog to social.	Alexandra Sean	
0426/3	Go chat with Evan Dawson to look at how we could do this.	Alexandra/ Alan	
0426/4	Ensure all regional organisers have rps.org email addresses. Create shared spreadsheet in Teams and have all regional organisers populate with their planned meetings.	Alexandra Sean	
0426/5	Circulate zoom meetings Create calendar invites	Alexandra	
0426/6	Create a "job advert"	Alexandra/ Alan	
0426/7	Create a job advert – share with Keith Launchbury FRPS and see if he's willing to do this before we advertise	Alexandra	
0426/8	Discuss at next memcom meeting	Alexandra	
0426/9	Look for future speakers See if it's possible to get some original music to support videos Prepare a job description for the journal layout role	All Sean Brian	