The Third Shift: A Scholarship for Working Women(-identifying) Artist + Caregivers
58th SPE Annual Conference
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THE THIRD SHIFT AWARD

Are you a mother? Do you care for your partner or a parent? If so, we see you and want to celebrate the herculean effort it takes for you to keep making work. This $500 scholarship award and one-year membership to SPE is specifically aimed to recognize and honor SPE members who are full time students or employees, artists, and caregivers.

Time and money are major obstacles for SPE members who need to secure child, partner, or eldercare in order to attend a four-day conference; and yet participating in an annual event like SPE can have a deep impact on someone’s ability to cope with the responsibilities of working full time and caretaking while also trying to fulfill their artistic vision and develop community around their photographic practice.

The cash award is presented to the recipient at SPE’s Annual Conference. Support for the award was generously provided by an anonymous donor.

DEADLINE: October 15, 2020 @ 11:59 PM EST

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicants must be members of SPE or become members before submitting their scholarship application. Visit www.spenational.org for information.
- Applicants must be members of SPE’s Women’s Caucus.

JURORS: TBD

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Submit online starting September 1, 2020 via http://spenational.slideroom.com. There is a $10 fee for submitting a portfolio. If you need technical support, contact support@slideroom.com.

PREPARE TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- A cohesive body of work with no more than TEN images. Images around 1280 x 1280 px @ 72 ppi are ideal for good image quality and fast upload
- Proof of employment or student status
- Artist statement (work does not need to address caretaking)
- A clear and concise introductory statement on your experience of caretaking, working and being an artist (250 words maximum)
- Personal photography (snapshot) of you with the one you love
- Applications that do not fulfill all requirements may be eliminated from the competition.

QUESTIONS? Please direct any inquiries to SPE at 216.622.2733 or membership@spenational.org. Visit www.spenational.org for more information.