

The CONSTITUTION of the Island Photo Group

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1 - The name of this organization shall be the “Island Photo Group” which is also referred to herein as the “Group.”

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

Section 1 - The objective of this Group is to further the artistic and technical knowledge of photography and to promote good fellowship among the members.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERS

Section 1 - The membership of the Group shall be open to any person residing in Long Island.

Section 2 - All applications for membership shall be submitted to the Membership Committee for approval.

Section 3 - Any non-Long Island resident shall be eligible for membership at the discretion of the Executive Board.

Section 4 - Members “in good standing” are those members who have paid their dues to date. Voting privileges shall only be accorded to members in good standing.

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1 - The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers and five (5) elected delegates. The term of service shall be for a period of one (1) year.

Section 2 - The elected officers of this Group shall be the President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. No elected officer shall hold the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms. This limit on consecutive terms may be extended for the Secretary and/or Treasurer on a year-by-year, office-by-office basis by a vote of the Executive Board.

Section 3 - All candidates for elected positions shall be members in good standing.

Section 4 - Prior to their nomination, candidates for the offices of President, 1st Vice-President and 2nd Vice-President shall be group members for at least two (2) years; candidates for the office of Secretary and Treasurer shall be group members for at least one (1) year; and delegate candidates shall be group members for at least six (6) months.

Section 5 - Elections shall take place at the Annual Meeting. The majority of votes cast shall constitute an election.

Section 6 - Vacancies shall be filled for the remaining term of said position by a vote of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

Section 1 - The regular meetings of the Group shall be held, September thru June, three (3) days each month. Time, location, exceptions and any meetings in July and August shall be determined by the Executive Board.

Section 2 - The Annual Meeting shall be the first regular meeting in June.

Section 3 - At least two (2) officers and one-fifth of the members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at a regular meeting.

Section 4 - Special meetings may be called only by the President. Twenty-percent (20%) of the members in good standing may direct the President to convene a special meeting.

Section 5 - The business of any special meeting must be stated in the call. No other business shall be transacted except that stated in the call.

Section 6 - A majority of the members in good standing shall be necessary for a quorum at any special meeting.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

Section 1 - All proposed amendments to this constitution must be submitted in writing to the Secretary and read to the Group at a regular meeting at least two (2) months before being voted upon.

Section 2 - This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members in good standing present.

Affirmation of Adoption

Having been duly proposed, read and voted on by the membership, this *Constitution of the Island Photo Group* has been adopted on April 26th, 2010.

Rich Fiedorowicz, President

Date

Tom Crosley, Secretary

Date

The BY-LAWS of the Island Photo Group

ARTICLE I - FINANCE

Section 1 - The fiscal period shall begin July 1st each year.

Section 2 - Annual membership dues shall be payable by August 1st.

Section 3 - Only members in good standing may submit entries for IPG critiques.

Section 4 - Where practical, bills shall be paid by check.

ARTICLE II - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1 - The regular term of office for all Executive Board members shall commence on July 1st.

Section 2 - The PRESIDENT shall appoint the chairpersons of all committees and shall be a member ex-officio of same, except to the Auditing and Nominating Committees. The President must be notified of all committee meetings and may call a meeting of any committee. The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings. The President shall not have the right to vote at any meetings, except to break a tie vote.

Section 3 - The 1st VICE-PRESIDENT shall perform the duties of the President in his or her absence, or at his or her request.

Section 4 - The 2nd VICE-PRESIDENT shall perform the duties of the 1st Vice-President in his or her absence, or at his or her request.

Section 5 - The SECRETARY shall keep an accurate, classified record of the members of the Group with addresses and telephone numbers. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all Executive Board meetings, of the business part of regular meetings, of the Annual Meeting, and of any special meetings and shall conduct the general correspondence of the Group. The Secretary shall determine if a quorum is present.

Section 6 - The SECRETARY shall compile and accurately maintain two (2) copies of the IPG Document Archive which shall contain, but not be limited to, the signed and dated Constitution and By-Laws, bank and web account details, and minutes of meetings.

One copy of the Archive shall be kept with the Secretary and the other with the President. At the end of office terms, each copy shall be passed on to subsequent holders of these offices.

Content required in the Archive shall be determined or altered by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Executive Board.

Section 7 - The TREASURER shall pay the bills of the Group. The Treasurer shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, and report on same at Board meetings.

Section 8 - Any officer obliged to be absent from one or more meetings shall notify the President who shall designate someone to perform the duties of the office.

ARTICLE III - EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ITS DUTIES

Section 1 - A quorum of at least 51% of their members being present, the Executive Board shall have the power to transact the general business of the group.

Section 2 - Meetings of the Executive Board will be held on a regular basis.

Section 3 - Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President.

Section 4 - The Executive Board must approve expenditures.

Section 5 - The Executive Board shall establish and maintain "Policies and Practices" to ensure successful accomplishment of the Group's objective.

ARTICLE IV - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1 - A Nominating Committee of three (3) persons shall be selected at the first regular meeting in March; the Chairperson to be appointed by the President, and the other two (2) persons to be elected by the members from the floor.

Section 2 - The Nominating Committee shall present its slate at the first regular meeting in April, at which time nominations may be made from the floor. The ticket will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting. The original slate plus those nominated from the floor in April will be presented at the first regular meeting in May. Only those presented at the May meeting are eligible for election.

Section 3 - The Chairperson of the Nomination Committee shall have full charge of the election.

Section 4 - Written proxy votes from Group members in good standing who anticipate being absent on the day of elections will be accepted by the Nomination Chair before June 1st.

ARTICLE V – AUDITING COMMITTEE

Section 1 - An Auditing Committee of two (2) persons shall be selected at the Annual Meeting; the Chairperson to be appointed by the Secretary, and the other person to be elected by the members from the floor.

Section 2 - The Audit of the financials shall be completed prior to August 31st.

Section 3 - The Committee shall present its findings at the first Board meeting following August 31st.

ARTICLE VI - ORDER OF BUSINESS

Section 1 - The business of the Group can be conducted as all or part of any regular meeting. The president shall provide an agenda. The Secretary shall record minutes and email/mail the minutes to the membership for correction and approval. The approved minutes shall be attached to the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Section 2 - At the Annual Meeting, the first order of business shall be the election of officers, followed by the selection of the Auditing Committee. Additional business may then be conducted according to Section 1 above, followed by a program and/or workshop.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDING THE BY-LAWS

Section 1 - All proposed amendments to the By-Laws must be submitted in writing to the Secretary and read to the Group at a regular meeting at least one (1) month before being voted upon.

Section 2 - The By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Group by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members in good standing present at such a meeting.

Affirmation of Adoption

Having been duly proposed, read and voted on by the membership, these By-Laws of the Island Photo Group have been adopted on March 22nd, 2010.

Rich Fiedorowicz, President

Date

Tom Crosley, Secretary

Date