



Jazz Fest Volunteer Photographer Program 2020

The Volunteer Photographer Program is a community outreach project of the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation's Archive. The mission of the program is to provide documentation of the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival presented by Shell for the Foundation Archive. This documentation goes beyond the stages and music to include the "internal culture" of Jazz Fest - the food, art, culture and people who attend the festival. These aspects are crucial in making Jazz Fest an annual success.

The program joins photographers, from a variety of backgrounds, with the Festival and Archive to provide the unique experience of photographing the world-renowned New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival. Volunteer Photographers must be at least 18 years of age.

Festival Dates: April 23-26 and April 30 -May 3, 2020

Volunteer Photographer Program Applicant Categories:

- Student
- Amateur
- Professional

Position Description & Requirements

Volunteer Photographers must be able to manage and edit hundreds or even thousands of digital images and understand that the work of photographing the Jazz Fest is physically demanding. Photographers often walk many miles a day around the Fair Grounds Race Course and are responsible for their own photography gear. There can often be a variety of weather conditions - rain (lots of mud) or shine (lots of dust) and in potentially *very* hot weather.

Selected volunteer photographers are responsible for providing the Archive with the images taken at the festival. Without all submissions there will be an historical gap in the documentation of the 2018 festival. Any photographer who does not submit their images will not be in good standing with the Foundation.



Photographers who have been admitted to the program for three consecutive years will not be admitted for a fourth year in a row, in order to provide more volunteers with the opportunity to photograph Jazz Fest.

Juried Process

A three-person jury of photographers will select participants based on the following criteria:

Artistic Merit (60%)

Experience photographing live cultural events and/or professional reliability (40%)

How to Apply

Set up a profile at <http://www.callforentry.org>; the application can be found in the Call For Entry listings under “New Orleans Jazz Fest Volunteer Photographers” beginning November 12.

The deadline to apply is December 25, 11:59 PM CST.

No more than 150 applications can be accepted.

Questions?

Please contact the Jazz & Heritage Foundation Archive by sending an email to archive@jazzandheritage.org, or by calling (504) 558-6138.

The Jazz & Heritage Foundation Archive is part of the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation. The Foundation is the nonprofit that owns the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival presented by Shell. The Foundation uses the proceeds from Jazz Fest, and other raised funds, for year-round programs in education, economic development and cultural enrichment. For more, please visit us online at www.jazzandheritage.org.