

**ROTTERDAM PHOTO** 

**PLANET HUMAN**

**FEBRUARY 4-7, 2021**

**LIST OF  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
GRANTS 2021/22**

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## ABOUT THE DOCUMENT

Rotterdam Photo Team found different types of photography grants and organized them into the list in order to provide support for photographers during this not easy period. We've sorted the awards by submission periods in the year to help you better know which opportunities are still coming up. Each one has a different submission period, different requirements, and criteria. So, please, make sure that you carefully check all the necessary requirements on grand's websites before submitting your applications.





## ABOUT GRANTS

Grants, fellowships, and scholarships are important in providing photographers with resources. They are crucial to allow photographers to follow their creative vision and implement their projects. In most cases, a grant means funding, but sometimes it could be a different type of support. Applying for photography grants is a great way for photographers to be focused on the things that really matter and ease the financial burden, developing their projects freely.







## Which things are important to keep in mind when applying for a photography grant?

### 1. The Eligibility Criteria

Are you in the right age category? Do you have the relevant experience? Check carefully all information on the website

### 2. The Requirements

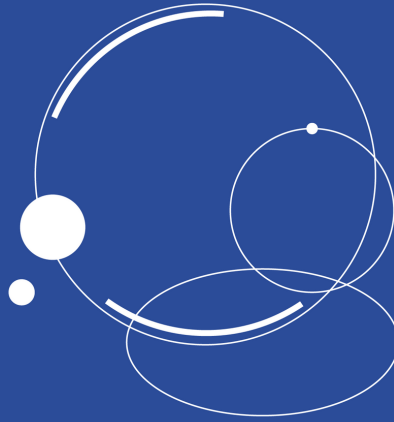
Pay attention to the form of a bio, CV, or/and artist statement. There may also be an application fee.

### 3. Deadline & Submission Process

Be careful about deadlines and a submission process or there is a chance to be out of the contest.



# OPEN



# CALL

## SINGLES OPEN CALL

For its 2021 edition, Rotterdam Photo is happy to announce the launch of the Single Image Open Call. In order to highlight the importance of this year's topic 'Planet Human', we invite professional and amateur photographers to reflect on the sub-theme 'A Room To Breathe, Speak & Act' which related to psychological balance, resilience, and creative adaptability that we all tried to find during these months of isolation this year.

## APPLICATION AND SELECTION

If you want to join our growing community, please submit a selection of your images inspired by the sub-theme 'A Room To Breathe, Speak & Act' before December 20th, 2020.

For more information on the submitting process and other relevant information, Please check out [website](#) or Contact us: [info.rotterdamphoto@gmail.com](mailto:info.rotterdamphoto@gmail.com).



## PHOTO AWARDS

This year Rotterdam Photo launched photography awards which welcome a wide range of photographs and exhibition projects to be considered for recognition in various categories.

While some award categories will be judged by a panel of assigned judges, others will be voted for by the public through our social media profiles.



The winners in each of these categories will receive a monetary remuneration. More information about variety of awards for the Rotterdam Photo 2021 edition and Single Image Open Call you can find on our [website](https://www.rotterdamphotofestival.com).



# List of Photography Grants 2021/22





## Description

## Submission period

## Award

## Link



The **Mondriaan Fund** is a state financed cultural funding organization that focuses on visual arts and cultural heritage. It aims to encourage innovation and excellence in these fields by supporting outstanding artists, cultural heritage and art organizations and projects in the Netherlands, and promoting contemporary art from the Netherlands abroad.

Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates

Depends on the grant type

<https://www.mondriaanfonds.nl>



The **Cultural Participation Fund** supports innovative projects that encourage everyone living in the Netherlands to get involved in arts and culture. It aims to act as a bridge between the arts and society.

Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates

Depends on the grant type

<http://www.prinsberhardcultuurfonds.nl/>



**PHmuseum Grants Program** is meant to support photographers, discover new projects, and explore the boundaries of contemporary photography.  
2021 MOBILE PHOTOGRAPHY PRIZE




Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates

\$5,000 in cash, a collective show and features in the 3rd PHmuseum book




<https://phmuseum.com/grants>








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|  <p>The Open Society Foundations work to build vibrant and tolerant democracies whose governments are accountable to their citizens</p>   | Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates | Depends on the grant type | <a href="https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/moving-walls-fellowship">https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/moving-walls-fellowship</a> |
|  <p>The Documentary Project Fund was founded in 2012 to help make sure that photographers who want to tell the stories of their communities will be able to do so. We are here to encourage, through project support, photographers who have a community focus and a good story to tell.</p> | Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates | Depends on the grant type | <a href="https://www.thedocumentaryprojectfund.org">https://www.thedocumentaryprojectfund.org</a>   |
|  <p>PHmuseum Grants Program is meant to support photographers, discover new projects, and explore the boundaries of contemporary photography.</p>  | Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates | Depends on the grant type | <a href="https://phmuseum.com/grants">https://phmuseum.com/grants</a>   |






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|  <p>The VSB Fund supports performing arts, visual arts, heritage, film, photography and design by providing grants. Furthermore, the foundation stimulates education and research by providing scholarships for Dutch students seeking to study abroad.</p>                | Multiple call for entries per year, and with varying dates | Depends on the grant type | <a href="https://www.vsbfonds.nl">https://www.vsbfonds.nl</a>   |
|  <p>Applicants for this award are selected by invitation, which makes it an excellent goal to work toward as you start writing open call grants. In the meantime, you can look into other grants and fellowships under <a href="#">the Magnum Foundation umbrella</a>.</p> | Year-round   | Up to \$10,000            | <a href="https://www.magnumfoundation.org/magnumfoundationfund">https://www.magnumfoundation.org/magnumfoundationfund</a> |
|  <p>The Grant was established to honor the memory of <a href="#">Howard Chapnick</a>, and to acknowledge the value of his enormous contribution to photography.</p>  | January  | \$10,000                  | <a href="https://www.smithfund.org/howard-chapnick-grant">https://www.smithfund.org/howard-chapnick-grant</a>             |






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|  <p>Sony World Photography Awards</p> <p>Produced by the <a href="#">World Photography Organisation</a>, the internationally acclaimed Sony World Photography Awards are one of the most important fixtures in the photographic calendar.</p> | January                  | Depends on the grant type | <a href="https://www.worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards">https://www.worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards</a>   |
|  <p>National Geographic's Early Career Grant gives a less experienced photographer the opportunity to take a leadership role for a project lasting no more than one calendar year.</p>  | February                 | \$5,000 – \$10,000        | <a href="https://www.nationalgeographic.org/funding-opportunities/grants/what-we-fund/">https://www.nationalgeographic.org/funding-opportunities/grants/what-we-fund/</a> |
|  <p>We do believe that it will help a photographer to proceed and complete his project. The Grand Prize winner and finalists will be selected by the most respected names in photographic world</p>   | March – August           | \$1,000                   | <a href="https://internationalphotogrant.com">https://internationalphotogrant.com</a>   |






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|  <p>The Emerging Photographer Fund is designed to support continuation of a photographer's personal project, or emerging career. This body of work may be of either journalistic mission or purely personal artistic imperatives.</p> | March – September        | \$10,000       | <a href="https://contests.pictor.com/burn-emerging-photographer-fund-2019#further-info">https://contests.pictor.com/burn-emerging-photographer-fund-2019#further-info</a> |
|  <p>The Lucie Foundation is proud to support professionals and emerging talent who progress the art form of still photography through original subject matter, content, or processes.</p>  | March – September        | \$3,000        | <a href="https://www.luciefoundation.org/programs/scholarship/">https://www.luciefoundation.org/programs/scholarship/</a>   |
|  <p>The largest of its kind in the world, the CEWE Photo Award manages not only to reach and connect photo enthusiasts across the globe but also to showcase and celebrate earth's beauty.</p>                                       | April - May              | €100 - €15,000 | <a href="https://cewe-photoworld.com/cewe-photo-award">https://cewe-photoworld.com/cewe-photo-award</a>   |





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|  <p>The W. Eugene Smith Grant for Student Photographers is designed to encourage and support students whose photographic work renews the tradition of W. Eugene Smith's humanistic and compassionate photography.</p>   | May                      | \$5,000      | <a href="https://www.smithfund.org/the-w-eugene-smith-grant-for-student-photographers">https://www.smithfund.org/the-w-eugene-smith-grant-for-student-photographers</a> |
|  <p>W. Eugene Smith was an American photo essayist (some even call him the creator of the photo essay) whose career spanned 45 years, including during World War II. The Eugene Smith Grant is awarded in his honor.</p> | May                      | \$40,000     | <a href="https://www.smithfund.org/eugene-smith-grant">https://www.smithfund.org/eugene-smith-grant</a>   |
|  <p>In support of a photographer who is bringing awareness to humanitarian issues and environmental crises, The Imagely Fund is awarded once each year.</p>  | May - June               | \$5,000      | <a href="https://www.imagely.com/fund/#apply">https://www.imagely.com/fund/#apply</a>   |



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|  <p>Each year we hold an international photographic competition <b>Ian Parry Scholarship</b> for young photographers who are either attending a full-time photographic course or are under 24</p>   | June – July              | \$3,500      | <a href="https://ianparry.org/scholarship/">https://ianparry.org/scholarship/</a>                                     |
|  <p>The bi-annual <b>Allard Prize Photography Competition</b>, which recognizes photographic excellence reflecting the ideals of the Allard Prize, is adjudicated by the Allard Prize Committee and Maxe Fisher, Associate Professor, Faculty of Design + Dynamic Media, Emily Carr University of Art + Design.</p> | June - August            | \$1,000      | <a href="https://www.allardprize.org/photography-competition">https://www.allardprize.org/photography-competition</a> |
|  <p>Exclusively for female documentary photographers, the <b>Firecracker Photographic Grant</b> allots printing, mounting, and framing credits from Genesis Imaging in addition to their monetary award.</p>  | June - August            | £2,000       | <a href="https://www.firecracker.org/grant/">https://www.firecracker.org/grant/</a>                                   |



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LightWork

This grant is a departure from the others featured here, as it is a residency program. The winner not only receives a stipend and support from the funding agency, but also housing, “24-hour access to state-of-the-art facilities”, and support from [Light Work](#) staff.

July

\$5,000 stipend and one-month residency

<https://www.lightwork.org/air/>

international  
photography  
grant

With no restrictions on genre or subject, [IPG Talent](#) of the Year allows photographers to follow their own creative leanings, as long as a cohesive photographic series is submitted with the application.

August

\$1,000

<https://internationalphotographygrant.com/page/faq>



This juried competition identifies and recognizes both rising talent and established photographers from all corners of the globe and from the state of Pennsylvania

August –  
October

Two prizes and four honorable mentions will be included in the exhibition

<https://silveryeye.org>



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We invite documentary photographers around the globe to submit their documentary photo project proposals highlighting human unrest, forgotten communities, over-exploited people and environments impacted by war, poverty, famine, disease, exploitation and global distress

November –  
March

€3,000

<http://mrofoundation.org/?page/84068/photography-grants>



The **Project Launch** is granted to outstanding photographers working on a fine art series or documentary project. The grant includes a cash award to help complete or disseminate the works, as well as providing a platform for exposure and professional development opportunities.

December –  
February

\$5,000 Cash  
Award +  
Winners  
Exhibition at El  
Museo Cultural  
de Santa Fe

<https://visitcenter.org/project-launch/>



The **Save Our Seas Foundation** believes that photography is a powerful tool for marine conservation. We invite emerging conservation and wildlife photographers who have a passion for marine subjects to apply for our grant.

February –  
April

\$2,000 cash  
prize + a paid  
three-week  
photographic  
assignment

<https://photogrant.saveourseas.com/2016/>





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The annual [FotoEvidence Book Award](#) with [World Press Photo](#) recognizes a documentary photographer whose project demonstrates courage and commitment in addressing a violation of human rights, a significant injustice or an assault on human dignity.

October

Participation in the World Press Photo Exhibition + the launch of the book in Amsterdam

<http://fotoevidence.com/book-award>



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October - November

£3,500

<https://ianparry.org/scholarship/>



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## ABOUT ROTTERDAM PHOTO

Rotterdam Photo is an annual photo manifestation that takes place during Art Rotterdam Week, where art lovers have the opportunity to visit numerous art and design events. Located at Deliplein in the Katendrecht district, the event celebrates the wide spectrum of photography as it presents itself in our contemporary image culture.

Together with the exhibitions at the Nederlands Fotomuseum and the fine art photography fair Haute Photographie, the 'Kop van Zuid' transforms into the one stop hub for photography fans, from 4 till 7 February 2021.



Each year Rotterdam Photo invites a wide gamut of independent photographers. From amateurs to fine art and from documentary to street, photographers are invited to submit their work via an open call that revolves around a current theme that is announced mid-September. Inspired by the history of Rotterdam as a port city, the festival provides the selected photographers with exhibition space in repurposed shipping containers and also uses the public space of Rotterdam to bring photography outside the 'white cube'.

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