# AMERICAN ADVERTISING AVVARDS

# 2023-2024 AAF-LOUISVILLE ENTRY GUIDE

To begin the process go to https://aaflouisville.org/addys/addys-enter



# STEP 1: RULES & CATEGORIES

RULES & CATEGORIES - Thoroughly review the entry rules and process.
 Review the full list of categories to find where your work should compete.

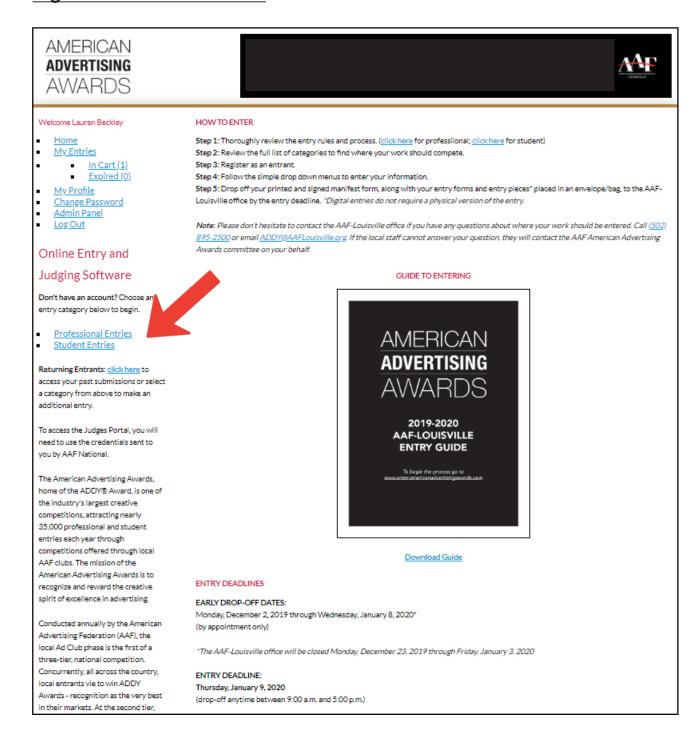






#### STEP 2: LOGIN

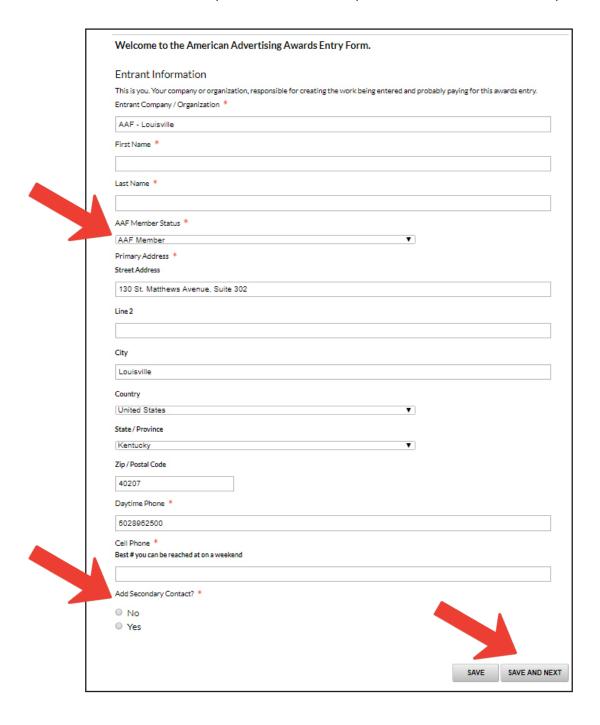
LOGIN - Login to <a href="https://enter.americanadvertisingawards.com/a/">https://enter.americanadvertisingawards.com/a/</a> organizations/05-LVL/home and click on either Professional or Student.





#### STEP 3: ENTRANT INFORMATION

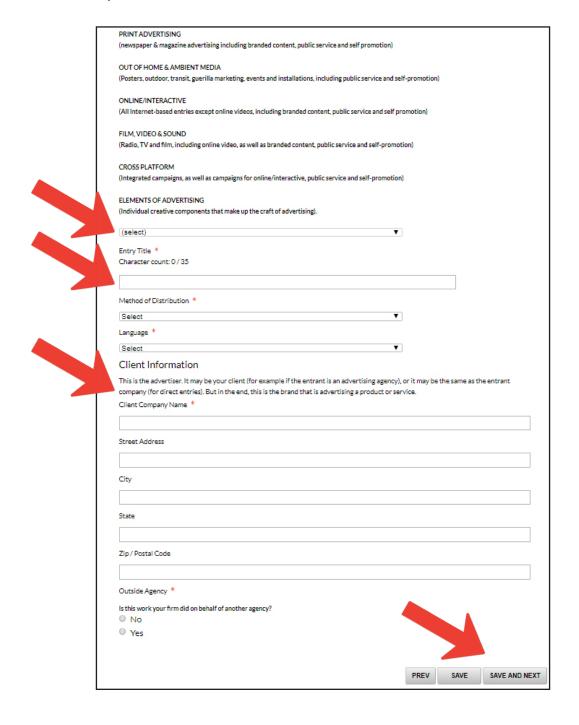
**ENTRANT INFORMATION** - Complete the Entrant Information. Indicate if you are a member or non-member. If you are entering for a company make sure to list an additional contact person as back up. SAVE and go to next page.





#### STEP 4: ENTRY INFORMATION

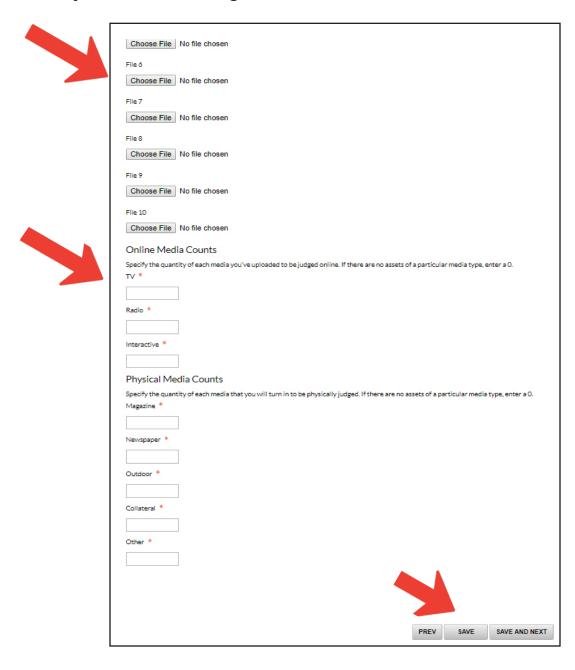
**ENTRY INFORMATION** - Select the proper category. Enter the title and usage of the entry. Enter the client information. SAVE and go to next page. Note: if making multiple entries DO NOT use the same title for each entry.





#### STEP 5: MEDIA

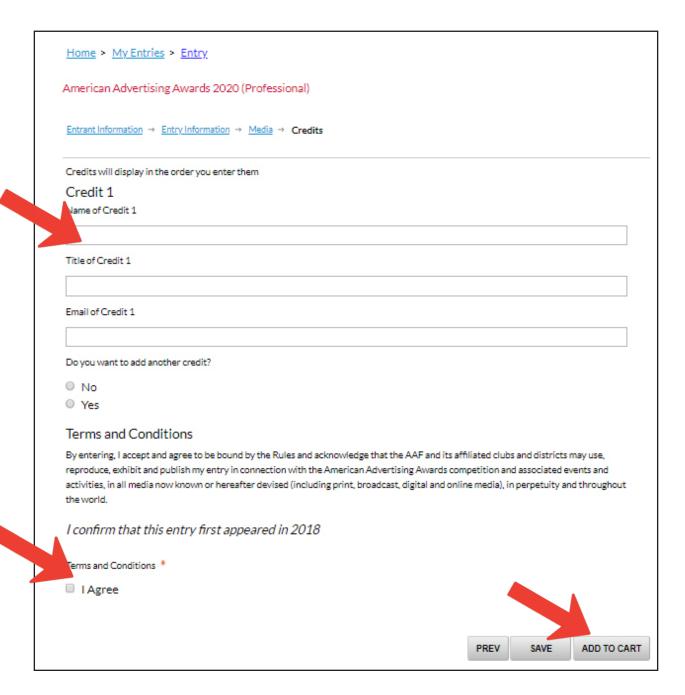
MEDIA (FILE UPLOADS) - All files need to be uploaded. Once uploaded an image of the file will be visible for verification. Enter Media Counts. SAVE and go to next page. \*This Year Only - The number of file uploads has been increased to account for all digital judging. Please read each category's criteria carefully before submitting.





#### STEP 6: CREDITS

CREDITS - Add credits for the entry. You can list up to 20 credits. PROOF READ!!! What you type is what will be listed on the award (i.e. type in lower case and that is how it will appear on your award). You MUST agree to the Terms and Conditions. Click Add to Cart.



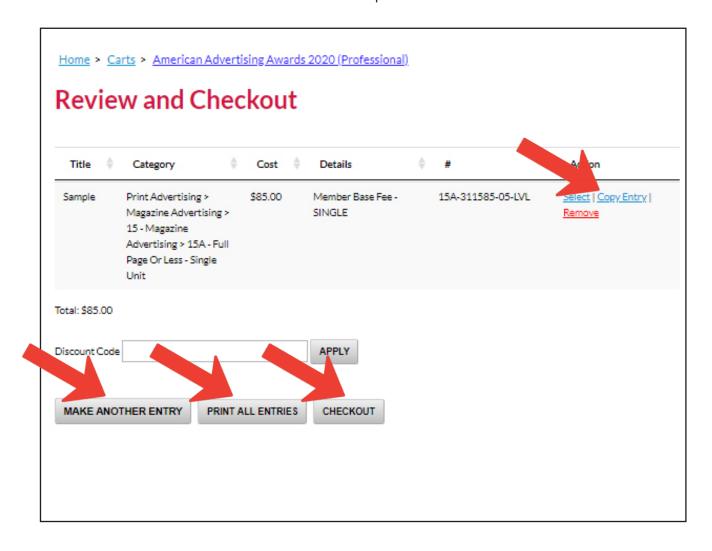


#### STEP 7: REVIEW AND CHECKOUT

REVIEW AND CHECKOUT - After adding your first entry to your cart you can Make Another Entry. If you have multiple entries for the same client you can Copy Entry and not have to re-enter the client information, just edit the entry information.

Click Print All Entries to print your entry forms.

Click *Checkout* when all entries are complete.





#### STEP 8: PAYMENT

PAYMENT - Select payment method and follow the instructions on screen.

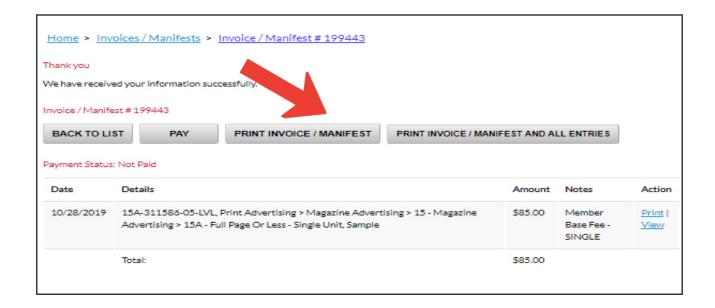
Click *Process* to submit and complete the online entry process. *Note: You will not be able to make changes after submitting your entry.* 





#### **STEP 9: PRINT FORMS**

PRINT MANIFEST - Click *Print Invoice/Manifest* to print out the MANIFEST. The manifest will also be your invoice or, if paid online, your receipt.

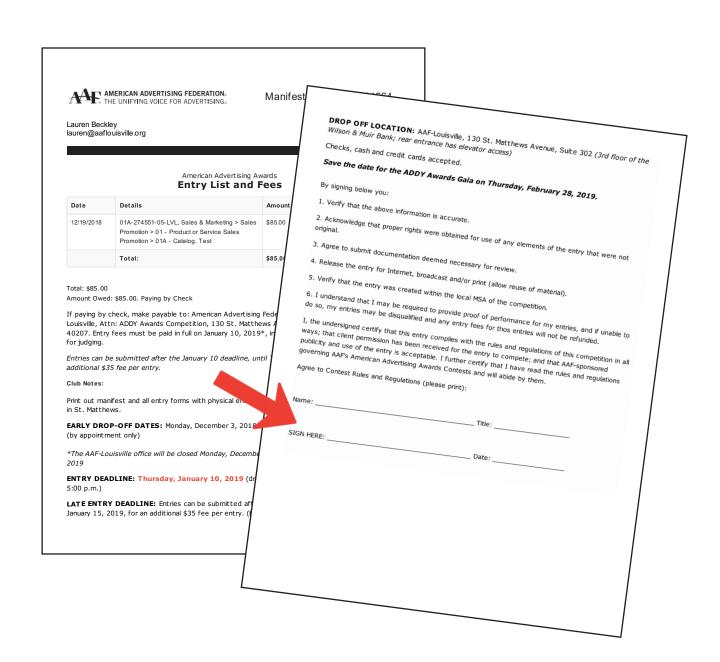




#### STEP 10: MANIFEST

MANIFEST - You must SIGN and SUBMIT the MANIFEST form with your entries.

PRINT out the MANIFEST, SIGN it, SCAN it and EMAIL it to <u>Awards@</u> <u>aaflouisville.org</u>.





## VIRTUAL ENTRY ONLY

ONLY FOR 2023-2024 COMPETITION - DO NOT submit a printed entry form or envelope.





- **UPLOAD FILE SIZE** there is no maximum file size for uploads.
- **UPLOADS FOR PRINT** THIS YEAR ONLY additional uploads for print will be available. The judges will be scoring based on the information included in these uploads. You may upload a video of printed pieces.
- There are no guidelines on how to prepare the files. It is completely up to you to decide how you want to present the artwork to the judges.
- CAMPAIGN entries must enter at least two (2) executions but no more than four (4) executions.
- INTEGRATED CAMPAIGNS must contain two (2) to six (6) media with one (1) to four (4) executions in each media. Maximum executions is ten (10) per campaign. Example: 3 PRINT, 4 BROADCAST, 3 INTERACTIVE.
- MULTIPLE CATEGORIES To have an entry judged in more than one category it must be entered in each category separately.



CONTACT INFORMATION - Notifications will be sent to the ENTRANT'S email address. Make sure this email address will be valid throughout the process. Notifications go out as late as June. If the email address is no longer valid you will not receive the Silver Advancement Notification emails that are sent by district and national.

**Student Permanent Address** - we know students move but we need a physical mailing address where we would mail any awards you may win as late as June.

- **ENTRY TITLES** This is an entry title, not an entry synopsis. Keep it short. Remember it may very well need to be printed on an award.
- MULTIPLE TITLES If you have an entry entered in multiple categories, do not use the same entry title in each category. Create a different title for each category so when notified that you have won such-and-such you do not have to ask "which category did that win in"?

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The Big DealThe Big Deal - CinematographyThe Big DealThe Big Deal - MusicThe Big DealThe Big Deal - VoiceoverThe Big DealThe Big Deal - Sound DesignThe Big DealThe Big Deal - Copywriting
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- **ENTRY FORMS** Keep in mind that what and how you enter information on the entry form matters. All information is pulled from the system. Information typed in all lower case will appear that way on awards, in the winners book, and in the awards show.
- **MEDIA COUNTS** It is very important for campaign categories that you indicate the Media Counts for each medium of the campaign. This ensures that all elements of the campaign are scored.



ELEMENTS OF ADVERTISING - LOGO
When entering logos a sample of usage MUST be included.

A short description of the logo may also be provided.

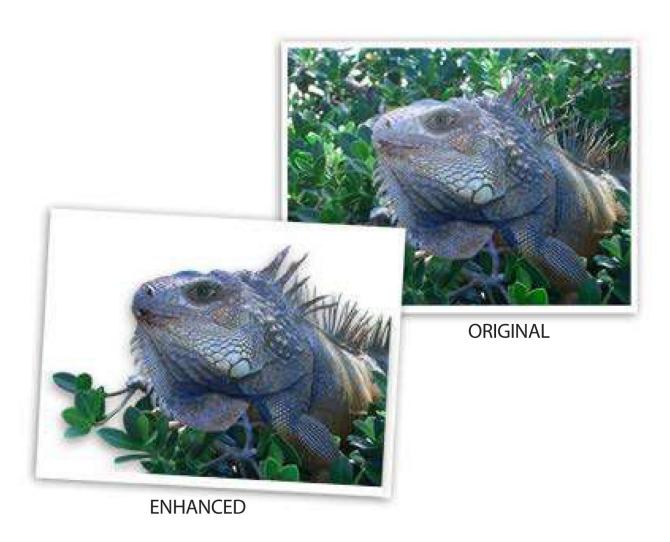






ELEMENTS OF ADVERTISING - DIGITALLY ENHANCED PHOTOGRAPHY
When entering digitally enhanced photos, the original photo MUST be provided so the judges can see what was changed.

Simply color correcting a photo does not qualify it as a digitally enhanced photo.





## **ENTRY DEADLINES**

2023-2024 COMPETITION ONLY

No physical entry submissions! The entry and judging process will be virtual. Please be sure to have all entries submitted online by the dates below.

ENTRY DEADLINE

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

Entries must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m.

LATE ENTRY DEADLINE

Entries can be submitted after the January 10 deadline, until Friday, January 12, 2024 at 12:00 p.m., for an additional \$35 fee per entry.



# **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions please contact the AAF-Louisville office:

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Thank you for your support of AAF-Louisville and the American Advertising Awards.

Good luck!