

Dobson Henry Medal - Citation

This special award of the Dobson Henry Medal is presented only on rare occasions. It is awarded for outstanding contributions in the Audio Visual medium, for furthering the activity of the medium, and for long service to the medium.

The person in this citation started photography in his childhood, and has been very active through their college years to date gaining, an LRPS in the 1990s. With the closing of their working career, this person started retirement actively interested in the Audio Visual medium. It quickly became obvious that not only was the person a good single image photographer but had all the skills of an AV producer. This producer has worked both singly and collaboratively and has not been afraid of tackling sensitive subjects. Their first singly produced AV achieved major success at the 2010 RPS International AV Festival by winning the Grand Prix. The AV was notable for technique, production and in particular the script where some of the phrases are still found to be used in conversations of AVers today, "sounds familiar" being one.

This person obtained an ARPS in AV and then the MPAGB in AV. Over the years they have become more and more involved with the RPS. They have also served on both the RPS Multimedia Distinction Panel and the PAGB Awards for Photographic Merit in AV. A considerable number of the qualifications required for awarding the Dobson Henry Medal apply to the person concerned. These include organising events, such as the National AV Championship, workshops and AV Days, working on Committees such as the AV Group and the RPS Distinctions Panel. The qualifications also include helping and advising others, not just in public, but also for those people who work quietly in the background.

Anyone that knows this person can confirm when it comes to sharing knowledge and helping other people at whatever level the "yes" word is always the answer. This person has been successful in all levels of competition from local to international events. Over the years they have presented many AV shows, including guest sessions at AV days throughout the country. The person has judged in Australia, South Africa, Italy, plus more, and has given presentations both nationally and internationally.

This person has received outstanding support from their spouse both at home and abroad.

You have probably guessed that the person in question is our outgoing RPS AV Group Chair and organiser of the RPS National AV Championship, Howard Bagshaw, who has always helped and encouraged others in AV, both to groups, or on a one to one basis.

On behalf of the AV Group Committee I would now like to present Howard Bagshaw ARPS MPAGB with the Dobson Henry Medal.

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