

## Mika Yamamoto International Journalist Award Regulations

- The award ceremony will be held on the birthday of Mika Yamamoto, May 26, 2014.
- Mika Yamamoto International Journalist Award aims to reward journalists who had been involved in international reporting. Entries could be photos, videos and articles including newsworthy reportage (books or series of reporting articles based on long-term research) and documentary films that are not commercial and created based on journalistic point of view.
- Award is granted to journalist (and the activities) who presented newsworthy articles, photos, videos or other works (hereinafter, "works") during the period from 2013/04/01 to 2014/03/31. The application deadline is 2014/04/07. It is permitted to apply one or more works that had been published. In case of applying several works, they could be of different theme or region.
- Journalists of any nationality or place of living and the works published in any country or region are applicable. Basically, the award is granted to freelancers or individuals who belong to independent media organization or groups that don't have their own media. However, works of significance and full of humanity shall be included even the applicant belongs to major media organizations.
- The award will be granted to the activities and works of individuals that are involved in professional journalism. For example, those works published by individuals of NGO, health care workers or travelers who happened to be at the site and created the works with no reporting purposes are excluded.
- Basically, award-winner (or the works) should be rookie journalist. Regardless of their age or carrier, journalists may be referred to as "rookie" with the exception of those who have received other well-known awards for non-rookies and are already known widely and influential sufficiently as journalists even they have not received any award.
- Announcement on finalists will not be made; they will be notified individually.
- The award will be granted to journalists and their activities who have published their works on newspapers, magazines, books, TV, radio, movies and Internet. However, works published on personal blogs or websites, or individual posting sites such as You Tube or USTREAM are excluded.
- Entries will be made by applications and recommendations (including self-recommendation) from any individual or organization.