

User Manual

Track BPE & FIAP acceptances, awards and salons — from your first entry through to your next crown or distinction.

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FOR SALON PHOTOGRAPHERS · BPE & FIAP

Every salon. Every acceptance. One ledger.

Stop juggling spreadsheets. Track BPE and FIAP exhibitions, log acceptances and awards as they come in, and compile the spreadsheets you actually need — in minutes, not weekends.

Start tracking BPE →

Track FIAP salons →

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This manual walks through every screen of Exhibition Tracker with real screenshots and short, human-friendly notes. Keep it as a printed reference or open it side-by-side while you work.

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1 · Getting Started

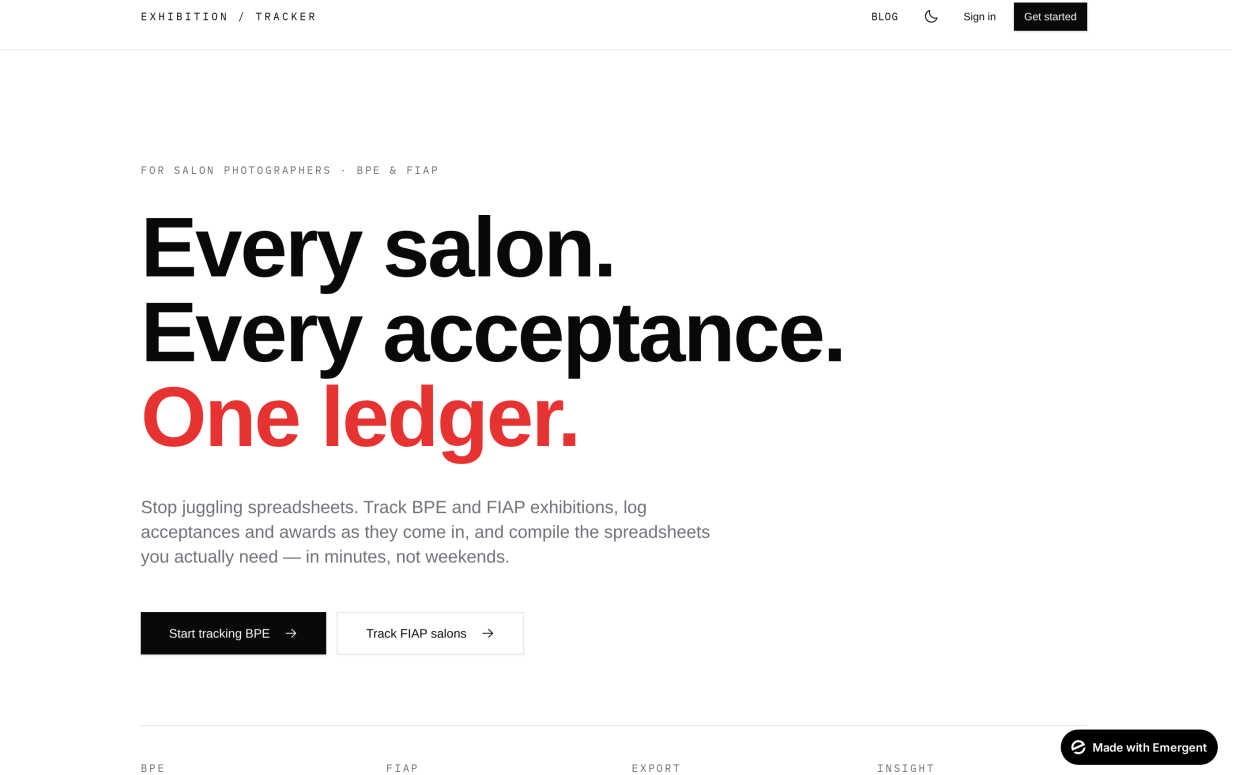
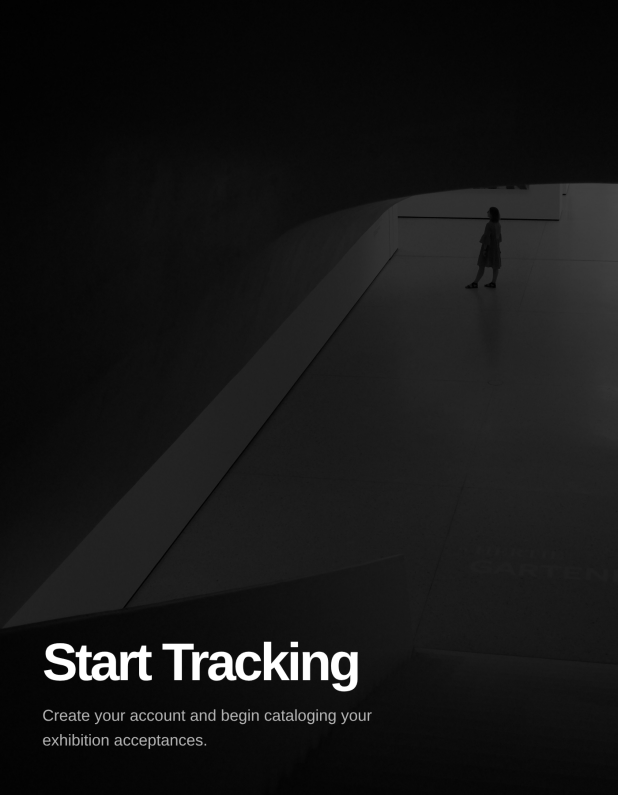


Figure: Getting Started

Welcome to Exhibition Tracker — the fastest way to log every BPE and FIAP salon acceptance you earn, and to compile the submission-ready spreadsheets each awarding body expects.

The landing page at **exhibitiontracker.co.uk** is your entry point. Click **Get started** to create a new account, or **Sign in** if you already have one. Everything is free — no card required.

2 · Creating your account



Start Tracking

Create your account and begin cataloging your exhibition acceptances.

Create account

Sign up to start tracking your photography exhibitions

FIRST NAME

First name

SURNAME

Surname

EMAIL

you@example.com

PASSWORD

☐ I agree to the [Terms and Conditions](#), including that this service is not responsible for any loss of data and that I should always maintain a hard copy of my records.

Create account

Already have an account? [Sign in](#)

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Figure: Creating your account

Enter your name, email address and a password (minimum 8 characters). You'll receive an email verification link — click it and you're ready to go.

Tip: use the email address where you normally receive salon confirmations. That way, when you paste in acceptances, they line up cleanly with your inbox history.

3 · Signing in

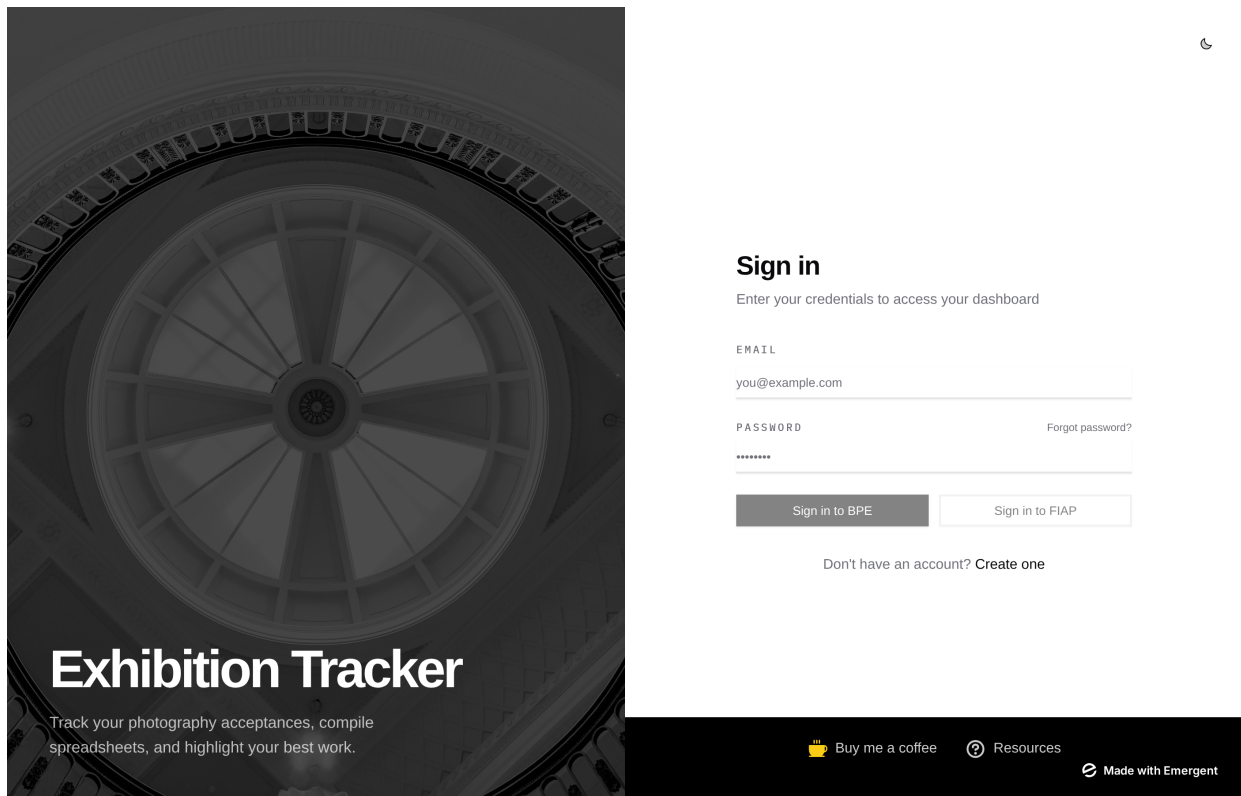


Figure: Signing in

The login page has two entry points — **Sign in to BPE** and **Sign in to FIAP**. Both use the same account; picking one just tells the app which tracker to open first.

Below the form, the **Resources** panel opens up email support, tutorial videos, the FAQs, and this user manual PDF.

4 · The BPE dashboard

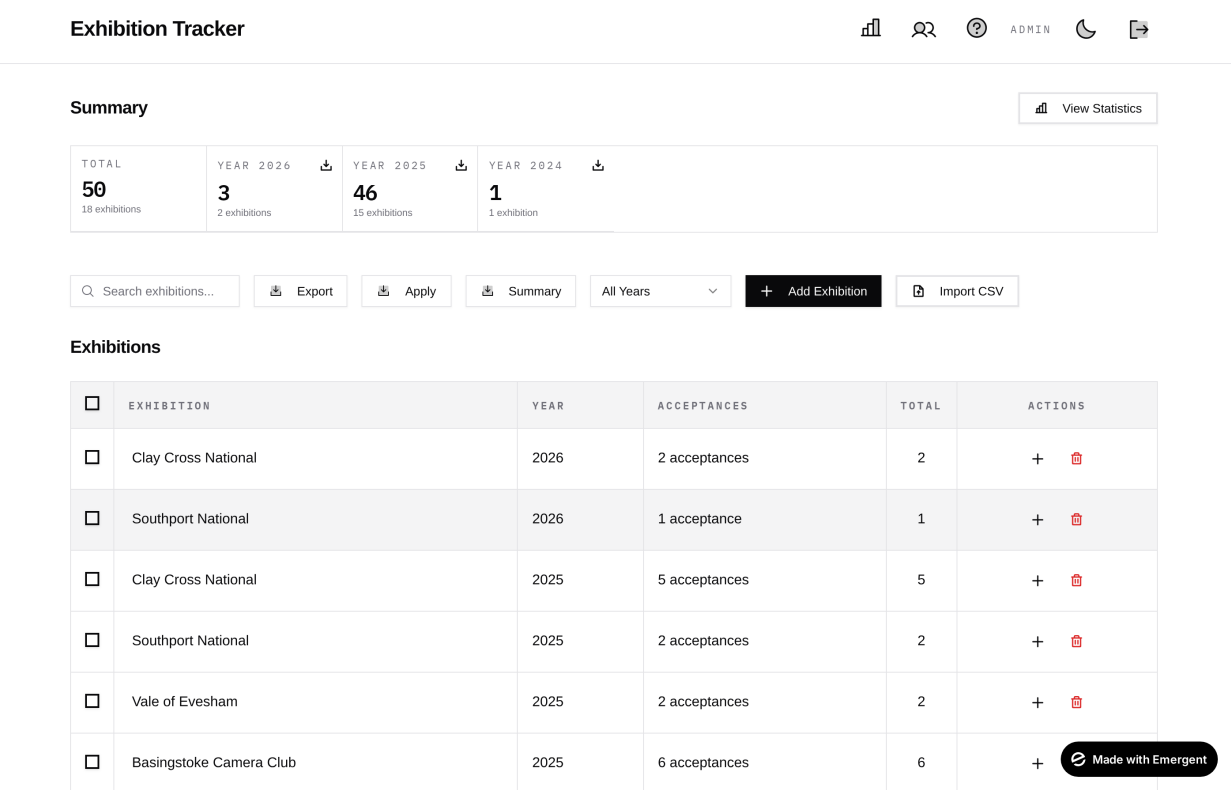


Figure: The BPE dashboard

The BPE dashboard is your acceptance ledger for the British Photographic Exhibitions circuit. Click **+ Add Exhibition**, pick from the official BPE list, set the year, and start logging acceptances.

Each exhibition row shows its acceptance count and any awards as badges. Click the count to expand the row and edit individual images — you can change the section, award, or mark an image as your *best*. Awards feed into the ranking engine that surfaces your strongest photographs.

Along the top: **Export CSV** gives you a flat CSV; **Apply CSV** produces the per-acceptance format the BPE application expects; and **Summary** downloads a matrix Excel with exhibitions across the top and years down the left.

5 · The BPE FAQ

← BPE FAQ

Everything you need to know about tracking your **British Photographic Exhibitions (BPE)** entries — from adding your first exhibition and logging acceptances through to exporting the matrix spreadsheet the BPE crown application form expects.

New to BPE? BPE is a group of nationally-recognised UK photographic exhibitions ("salons") that award crown-level distinctions (BPE1★ through BPE5★) based on the number of accepted images you accumulate across the circuit. Exhibition Tracker keeps a per-image ledger so you always know exactly where you stand.

Looking for the international FIAP salon workflow instead? See the FIAP FAQ →

What is BPE and what does it stand for?

BPE stands for the British Photographic Exhibitions circuit — a group of nationally-recognised UK photographic exhibitions ("salons") that award BPE crown distinctions based on the number of accepted images you accumulate. Each BPE exhibition is judged independently, and every acceptance you earn counts towards your BPE crown ranking.

How does BPE scoring and crowns work?

BPE tracks the total number of accepted images ("acceptances") you have across all BPE-recognised exhibitions. Crown levels are awarded at fixed milestones (BPE1★ at 25 acceptances, BPE2★ at 50, BPE3★ at 100, BPE4★ at 200, BPE5★ at 400). Each accepted image counts once — separate sections in the same salon each count as a distinct acceptance.

Which exhibitions count towards a BPE crown?

The tracker maintains the official BPE list: Clay Cross National, Southport National, Vale of Evesham, Basingstoke Camera Club, South Birmingham, Robin Hood Open, Neath & District, Rushden Open, Winchester National, Beyond Group, Dingwall National, Shrewsbury Open, Midland Monochrome, Frome Salon and Great Western Exhibition. Adding a new exhibition automatically picks from this list.

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Figure: The BPE FAQ

The BPE FAQ answers the questions most photographers ask — how crown scoring works, which exhibitions count, how import matches abbreviated names, and how to correct a mis-categorised acceptance.

Click any question to expand its answer. The FAQ is a quick-reference guide alongside this manual.

6 · The FIAP dashboard

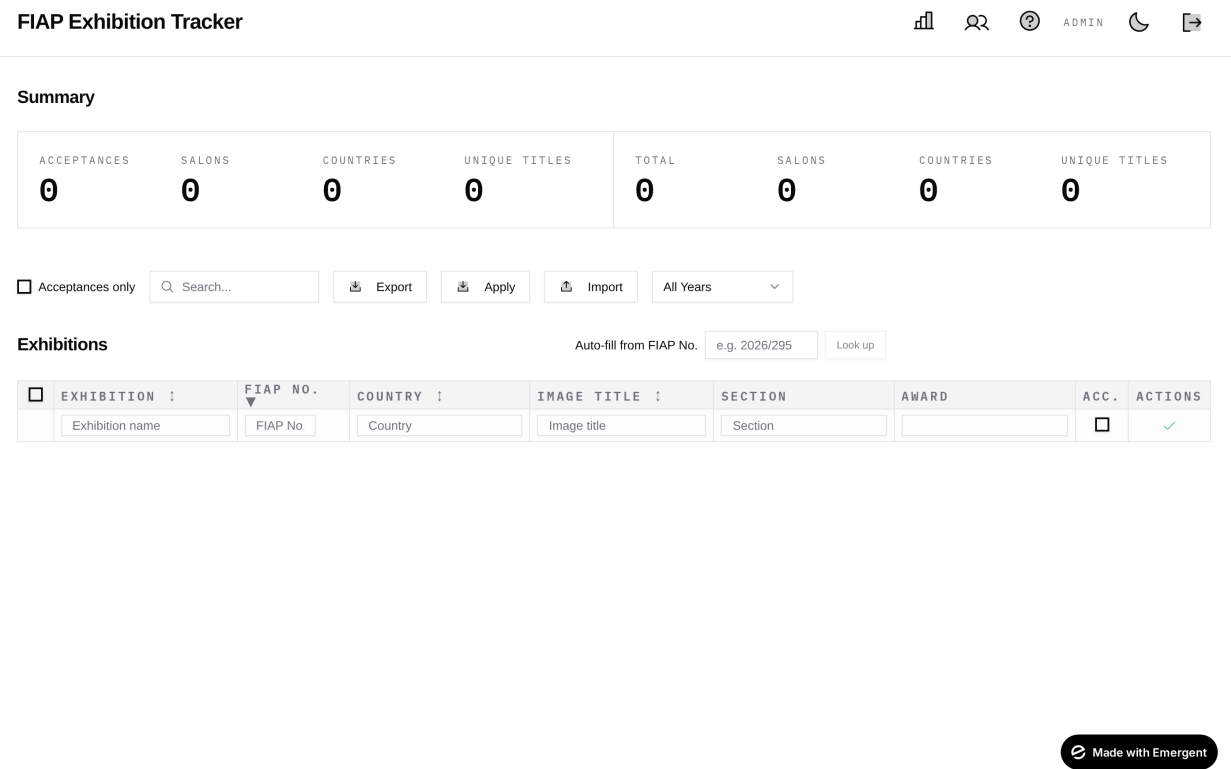


Figure: The FIAP dashboard

The FIAP dashboard is a completely separate ledger for international salons carrying FIAP patronage. Every row is a single image entry — with its own section, award and acceptance flag.

The killer feature: type a FIAP Patronage number (e.g. 2026/295) into the lookup box and press Enter. The app fetches the Salon Name, Country and Section list directly from the official **myfiap.net** registry and pre-fills the new-row form. All you add is your image title and the section you entered — one click to save.

Acc. checkbox: tick for accepted entries. Unaccepted rows stay in the ledger for reference but don't count towards AFIAP/EFIAP totals or exports.

Export gives you a plain CSV; **Apply** downloads an Excel formatted exactly like the FIAP application sheet — paste straight into distinction applications.

7 · The FIAP FAQ

← FIAP FAQ

Everything you need to know about tracking **FIAP-patronaged** international salons — from looking up a patronage number and auto-filling salon details, through to exporting the Excel sheet the FIAP application forms expect.

New to FIAP? FIAP (the Fédération Internationale de l'Art Photographique) patronises international photography salons and awards distinctions — AFIAP, EFIAP and the EFIAP levels (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, Diamond 1–3) — based on how many acceptances you accumulate, across how many salons, in how many countries. Exhibition Tracker keeps a per-image ledger so you always know exactly where you stand.

Tracking UK BPE salons instead? See the BPE FAQ →

What is FIAP and what does it stand for?

FIAP is the Fédération Internationale de l'Art Photographique — the international federation of art photography. FIAP patronises photography salons around the world and awards distinctions (AFIAP, EFIAP, MFIAP, and the EFIAP levels: Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, Diamond 1–3) based on your acceptance count across FIAP-patronaged salons.

How does FIAP distinction scoring work?

FIAP distinctions require a mix of total acceptances, distinct accepted images, and country coverage. AFIAP typically needs 40 acceptances, EFIAP 250 acceptances across 50+ salons in 15+ countries, then EFIAP levels stack from there. The tracker doesn't compute distinction eligibility for you but gives you the raw data (acceptances, distinct salons, distinct countries) at a glance.

What is a FIAP Patronage number?

Every FIAP-patronaged salon receives a unique patronage number formatted as yyyy/xxx — the four-digit year the patronage was granted, a slash, then a sequence number (e.g. 2026/295). This number identifies the salon in the official FIAP registry and is what the auto-fill lookup uses.

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Figure: The FIAP FAQ

The FIAP FAQ covers patronage number formats, distinction scoring (AFIAP, EFIAP and the EFIAP levels), how the auto-fill lookup works, and how the Apply Excel maps onto the FIAP application form.

If a FIAP number doesn't resolve, double-check myfiap.net/patronages — new patronages sometimes take a day to appear in the public directory.

Need more help?

Email **exhibitiontrack@gmail.com** and we'll get back to you. Or watch the tutorial videos linked from the Resources panel on the sign-in page.

If you find Exhibition Tracker useful and would like to support development, you can buy the maintainer a coffee — the link is on the sign-in page footer.

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