2023 Visual Effects Society Membership Benefits

The Visual Effects Society (VES) is the only Honorary Society representing the full breadth of the worldwide VFX community with exclusive member benefits to help build your network through educational and entertaining programs, classes and events to take your career to the next level. With 4,500 of the most talented VFX artists, supervisors, producers, innovators and decision-makers in 45 countries, every member and each of our 15 thriving VES Sections are an integral part of our global community.

Leadership Opportunities

VES members everywhere can vote to nominate outstanding work in features, episodic, animation, games, commercials, special venues, practical effects, emerging technologies and student projects, as well as determine the VES Awards winners through the online View & Vote.

Shape the future of the Society by serving on a VES Committee, running for a seat on your local Section Board of Managers or the global VES Board of Directors.

Pay it forward and nurture the next generation of VFX talent through our Peer-to-Peer Mentoring program.

Offer to write endorsement letters for prospective members, and encourage them to apply for VES membership.

Health & Wellbeing

VES Member Assistance Program with 24/7 access to free confidential, one-on-one professional counseling on family, health, money, work and wellbeing as well as online resources.

40% off the Breathwrk health and performance app featuring breathing exercises and mindfulness classes.

Health & Wellbeing Resources page that includes the Reignite Yourself webinar series to help support good mental health, handle stress and create a work-life balance.

Screenings and VES Awards Discounts

FREE Awards season feature & episodic screeners issued by the studios via streaming/Blu-ray/DVD.

Hundreds of FREE in-person screenings throughout the year in VES Sections around the world, many with panel discussions with filmmakers and VFX teams.

Discounted VES Awards submission fees and up to 2 discounted Annual VES Awards show tickets.

FREE Subscriptions

FREE one-year standard subscription to Netflix - a special benefit for 2023!

FREE print subscription to VFX Voice page, including career development, mentoring and DEI resources.

FREE digital subscription to weekly VARIETY (Members in North America also receive print edition).

FREE digital subscription to ANIMATION MAGAZINE and 50% off print subscriptions.
Exclusive Programs and Resources

Access dynamic online video content including webinars on VFX projects, behind-the-scenes stories, cutting-edge technologies and techniques, film and TV panel conversations and more!

Ask Me Anything: VFX Pros Tell All
Webinars featuring insightful conversations with industry professionals from diverse backgrounds, sponsored by Autodesk.

VES 70 The Most Influential Visual Effects Films of All Time. VES Fellows and legends discuss these seminal features.

Video Gallery with thousands of recorded VES Summits, Festivals, Q&As, discussions, presentations, VES Awards shows plus Before & After clips from winners and nominees of every VES Awards show.

VES Archive featuring interviews with visual effects pioneers and luminaries including the late great Douglas Trumbull, VES and many more.

Virtual Production Resources page with webinars, tutorials, articles and the Virtual Production Glossary.

Member Resources page including White Papers and scholarly articles, the end-to-end VES Camera Report and VFX Reference Platform, Demo Material Guidelines, Work From Home security best practices and more.

Educational Resources

Education Initiative Resources page, including career development, mentoring and DEI resources.

15% Discount at Sphere VFX

15% Discount at FXPHD online VFX and post-production training

10% Discount at Gnomon School of Visual Effects

Health Insurance for VES Members

Members in the US have access to self-paid health insurance, including dental and vision benefits at https://ves4mybenefits.biz/ through Scott Brandt, long-time VES healthcare broker. Contact: (818) 451-4653.

Canadian members (in every province except Quebec) have access to self-paid supplemental health insurance through Arbutus Financial. Contact: info@arbutusfinancial.com or (604) 731-1100 or toll free 1 (877) 228-2111.

To see all of your VES member benefits visit: ves.global.org/membership-benefits

The Visual Effects Society (VES) is a non-profit professional, honorary society, dedicated to advancing the arts, sciences, and applications of visual effects and to improving the welfare of its members by providing professional enrichment and education, fostering community, and promoting industry recognition.

VES Sections include: Australia, the Bay Area (San Francisco), France, Georgia (US), Germany, India, London, Los Angeles, Montreal, New York, New Zealand, Oregon, Toronto, Vancouver and Washington.