

The List of Professional Associations for Geeks

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Acting

- Association of Talent Agents - <http://www.agentassociation.com/>
- Casting Society of America - <http://www.castingsociety.com>
- Screen Actor's Guild - <http://www.sag.org/>

Art

- AIGA - <http://www.aiga.org/>
- American Institute of Graphic Arts - <http://www.aiga.org/>
- Association of Science Fiction and Fantasy Artists - <http://www.asfa-art.org/>
- National Association of Independent Artists - <http://www.naia-artists.org/>
- National Cartoonist's Society - <http://www.reuben.org/>
- Society of Illustrators - <http://societyillustrators.org/>

Comics

- National Association of Comics Art Teachers - <http://www.teachingcomics.org/>

Computing

- Association For Computing Machinery - <http://www.acm.org/>
- Computer Research Association - <http://www.cra.org/>
- Institute of Electronics and Electrical Engineers - <http://www.computer.org/>

Graphics

- ACM SIGGRAPH - <http://www.siggraph.org/>
- International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences - <http://www.iadas.net/>
- National Association of Photoshop Professionals - <http://www.photoshopper.com/>
- Pixel Corps - <http://www.pixelcorps.com/>

Information/Knowledge

- International Society for Knowledge Organization - <http://www.isko.org/>
- Knowledge Management Professional Society - <http://www.kmpro.org/>
- Museum Computer Network - <http://www.mcn.edu/>

Media

- American Federation of Television and Radio Artists - <http://www.aftra.org>
- American Women in Radio and Television - <http://www.awrt.org/>
- International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees - <http://www.iatse-intl.org/>
- Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators - <http://www.scbwi.org/>
- The Actor's Fund - <http://www.actorsfund.org/>
- Visual Resource Associates - <http://www.vraweb.org/>

Movies

- The American Society of Cinematographers - <http://www.theasc.com/>

Photography

- Professional Photographers of America - <http://www.ppa.com/>
- Stock Artists Alliance - <http://www.stockartistsalliance.org/>

Publishing

- Association of American Publishers - <http://www.publishers.org/>
- Audio Publisher's Association - <http://www.audiopub.org/>
- Small Publisher's Association of North America - <http://www.spannet.org/>

Science

- American Association For The Advancement Of Science - <http://www.aaas.org/>
- National Academy of Sciences - <http://www.nasonline.org/>
- New York Academy Of Sciences - <http://www.nyas.org/>

Science-Biology

- American Institute of Biological Sciences - <http://www.aibs.org/>
- Federation of American Societies For Experimental Biology - <http://www.faseb.org/>
- Society For Experimental Biology - <http://www.sebiology.org/>

Science-Biology-Specialized

- American Society For Biochemistry and Molecular Biology - <http://www.asbmb.org/>
- American Society For Cell Biology - <http://www.ascb.org/>
- American Society For Microbiology - <http://www.asm.org/>
- American Society of Human Genetics - <http://www.ashg.org/>
- Association of Genetic Technologists - <http://www.agt-info.org/>
- Genetics Society of America - <http://genetics-gsa.org/>
- International Federation for Cell Biology - <http://www.ifcbiol.org/>

- International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology - <http://www.iubmb.org/>
- Society For Developmental Biology - <http://www.sdbonline.org/>
- Society For General Microbiology - <http://www.sgm.ac.uk/>

Science-Chemistry

- American Chemical Society - <http://www.acs.org/>
- International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry - <http://www.iupac.org/>
- Royal Society of Chemistry - <http://www.rsc.org/>
- Society of Chemical Industry - <http://www.soci.org/>

Science-Ecology

- International Society of Chemical Ecology - <http://www.chemecol.org/>
- National Environmental Health Association - <http://www.neha.org/index.shtml>

Technology

- Association for Information and Image Management - <http://www.aiim.org/>
- Association of Information Technology Professionals - <http://www.aitp.org/>
- Association of Internet Research - <http://aoir.org/>
- Computer Security Institute - <http://gocsi.com/>
- IEEE Communications Society - <http://ww2.comsoc.org/>
- Information Architecture Institute - <http://iainstitute.org/>
- League of Professional System Administrators - <http://www.lopsa.org/>
- Network Professionals' Association - <http://www.npanet.org/>
- North American Network Operators Group - <http://www.nanog.org/>
- Society for Information Management - <http://www.simnet.org/>

Technology (Open Source)

- Free Software Foundation - <http://www.fsf.org/>
- Linux Professionals Institute - <http://www.lpi.org/>
- The Linux Foundation - <http://www.linuxfoundation.org/>

Theater

- Actors Equity - <http://www.actorsequity.org/>
- American Alliance of Theater and Education - <http://www.aate.com/>
- Dramatists Guild of America - <http://www.dramatistsguild.com/>

Video Games

- Academy of Interactive Arts and Sciences - <http://www.interactive.org/>
- Entertainment Software Association - <http://www.theesa.com/>

- Game Audio Network Guild - <http://www.audiogang.org/>
- International Game Designers Association - <http://www.igda.org/>

Writing

- Author's Guild - <http://www.authorsguild.org/>
- EPIC-Electronically Published Internet Connection - <http://www.epicauthors.com/>
- National Association of Independent Writer's And Editors - <http://naiwe.com/>
- National Writer's Union - <http://nwu.org/>
- Novelists Inc. - <http://www.ninc.com/>
- Small Publishers, Artists and Writers' Network - <http://www.spawn.org/>

Writing - Specialized

- Children's Literature Association - <http://www.childlitassn.org/>
- Historical Novel Society - <http://www.historicalnovelsociety.org/>
- Horror Writers Association - <http://www.horror.org/>
- International Thriller Writers - <http://www.thrillerwriters.org/>
- Mystery Writer's Of America - <http://www.mysterywriters.org/>
- Romance Writer's Of America - <http://www.rwanational.org/>
- Science Fiction And Fantasy Writers Of America - <http://www.sfgwa.org/>

Writing-Journalism

- American Society of Journalists and Authors - <http://www.asja.org/>
- Online News Association - <http://journalists.org/>

Writing-Science

- Council of Science Editors - <http://www.councilscienceeditors.org/>

Writing-Technical

- Society for Technical Communication - <http://www.stc.org/>

Writing-Screenwriting

- CineStory - <http://cinestory.org>