

## **CONTEST CATEGORIES**

### **CLASS A: AIRCRAFT**

- A1. Prop-driven: 1/72 and smaller
- A2. Prop-driven: 1/48 and larger
- A3. Jet-propelled: 1/72 and smaller
- A4. Jet-propelled: 1/48 and larger
- A5. Large-scale: 1/32 and larger, all types
- A6. Rotary-wing; all scales (*helicopters, autogyros and similar*)
- A7. Junior aircraft: all subjects and scales

### **CLASS B: ARMOR**

- B1. All 1/48 and smaller fully tracked vehicles, all eras
- B2. All 1/48 and smaller semi-tracked & wheeled vehicles & artillery, all eras
- B3. Allied WW2 and earlier fully tracked vehicles: 1/35 and larger (*as per national emblem*)
- B4. Axis WW2 and earlier fully tracked vehicles: 1/35 and larger (*as per national emblem*)
- B5. Post WW2 fully tracked vehicles: 1/35 and larger
- B6. Open top AFVs: 1/35 and larger, all eras (*models with interior detail*)
- B7. Wheeled vehicles: 1/35 and larger, all eras (*includes halftracks & artillery*)
- B8. Junior armor: all subjects and scales

### **CLASS C: AUTOMOTIVE**

- C1. Factory stock: all scales
- C2. Custom cars, American: all scales
- C3. Custom cars, foreign: all scales
- C4. Box stock: all scales (*instruction sheet required*)
- C5. Curbside: all scales
- C6. Street rods: all scales (*1948 and earlier*)
- C7. Street machines: all scales (*1949 and later*)
- C8. Straight line competition: all scales
- C9. Closed circuit competition, all eras: all scales
- C10. Small trucks: less than 10,000 pounds
- C11. Large trucks: 10,000 pounds and up
- C12. Motorcycles: all scales
- C13. Automotive vignettes & dioramas
- C14. Junior automotive: all subjects and scales

### **CLASS D: MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS**

- D1. Figures: all scales
- D2. Ships: all scales
- D3. Sci-Fi and Fantasy figures: all scales
- D4. Sci-Fi and Fantasy vehicles: all scales
- D5. Non-Fiction missiles and spacecraft: all scales
- D6. Dioramas: all subjects (non-fiction) and scales
- D7. Vignettes: all subjects (non-fiction) and scales
- D8. Dioramas & vignettes (fiction): all scales
- D9. Other Miscellaneous (anything not covered by the above categories)
- D10. Junior miscellaneous: all subjects and scales

Note: The above list is subject to change at the show depending on the number of models submitted for each category

Junior – contestants 17 and under

## **CONTEST RULES**

1. This contest is sanctioned by the International Plastic Modelers Society USA, and is sponsored by the Knoxville Scale Modelers Association. Anyone may enter models in the contest; you need not belong to IPMS/USA or KSMA.

2. This contest is strictly for static scale models constructed from unassembled, unfinished commercial plastic, resin, wooden or metal kits. The following are not eligible for awards, but may be brought for display purposes only:

- a. Diecast, pre-assembled/pre-finished toys or replicas.
- b. Models which are not the work of a single person.
- c. Models winning a 1st place in class or category at a previous KSMA contest.
- d. Models winning any award at an IPMS/USA National contest.

3. **FUNDAMENTAL MODELING SKILLS COUNT MOST IN JUDGING:** correct parts alignment; clean assembly; seam elimination, and smooth application of finish and markings are the primary items which are evaluated. The judges will also consider technical accuracy, added detail, and general effect.

4. **ALL DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE FINAL.** Teams of three judges will determine 1st and 2nd Place trophy awards, and Honorable Mention ribbons for each category. Automotive judging will be done using the NNL style, with each category having a 1st, 2nd and an Honorable Mention.

5. Best Aircraft, Best Armor, Best Automotive and Best Miscellaneous trophies are determined by a consensus of all the judges in each respective class.

6. Show officials will determine the competition category of each entry at registration. Judges may at their discretion merge or subdivide categories depending on the number of entries, or move entries to other categories when appropriate. All judging decisions are final.

7. Junior categories are for modelers aged 17 or younger.

8. Models eligible for awards must be displayed with completed entry forms. Entrants are encouraged to use the "other information" area to document unusual color schemes or details, list appropriate handling precautions; and describe the techniques and materials used in construction. Supplemental materials may be attached.

9. A model on a base with simple 2-D terrain is considered an individual model. If there are 2 crew figures (1 can be off the vehicle) the entry is still counted as an individual model. A prime mover with trailer or towed artillery is counted as 1 vehicle.

An entry with 2 to 4 figures, or no more than 2 vehicles, low 3-D groundwork, and has no obvious theme or story, is considered a vignette.

An entry with high terrain features (trees, high walls, houses), or has an obvious theme or story, is considered a diorama.

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