



## **Miscellaneous** All Types and Scales

**Advanced\*\*** Awards in all of the above in competition between consistently winning club members.

**Junior** Junior awards in each of the Category headings listed above, for members 16 years & younger.

### **Rules, Definitions and Judging:**

\* Scratchbuilt has to incorporate components more than 70% scratchbuilt. Conversions must involve significant change in the construction of the model by the modeler. For example, replacing an aircraft's nose with a resin nose may make a significant change in the aircraft mark, but by its simplicity it is not a major conversion.

\*\*As of this writing, Advanced includes Steve Andreano, Howie Belkin, Jim Bouloukos, Nick Buro, John Buongiorno, Seamus Boughe, Lou Correrri, Tony Darienzo, Eric Goldschrafe, Bill Koppos, John Lam, Adam Profit, Jeff Pollizzotto, Henning Seidel, Fred Seitz, and Joe Yeager. "Advanced" separates the advanced modelers from the intermediate, to help level the playing field. It is also subject to the model being considered - for example, Howie is Advanced in armor and aircraft, but odds are that if he brought in a 54mm cross eyed figure he'd be Intermediate for that entry. Or he could want him to be in Advanced. The Contest Chairman shall decide if a question arises. The purpose is to encourage everyone to bring in a model, whether you enter the contest or not.

In addition to the above categories, a model can also win that month's "Theme Award." All models meeting the requirements for the special theme are eligible regardless of any award earned during the contest. Previous Quarterly Contest winners may be entered only for the Theme Award, and must be clearly indicated as such. The "Theme" will be announced in the newsletter as far in advance of a contest as possible.

Quarterly Contests are open to current, paid-up L.I.S.M.S. members only. Guests may "display" models only.

No Sweeps, i.e. the same modeler cannot take more than one place (1, 2, 3 or G, S, B) award per category.

Once a model places in a Quarterly Contest it is no longer eligible to enter another Quarterly Contest except to compete for a Theme Award. It may be entered in the next World Series Contest.

Models being judged for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place are in competition with others in their category on the table, with consideration given to overall appeal, modeling skills, and degree of difficulty. Modeler may win one "place" award in a category. "Ties" may be awarded at judges discretion. There is no "standard."

Armor, Dioramas and Figure categories will be judged based on Gold, Silver and Bronze (GSB) Awards. Models will be judged the same way as 1,2,3 judging except that models the judges feel

earned a Gold, or Silver or Bronze will be awarded those awards accordingly. However, if three or less models are entered in a category, they will not automatically receive a G,S,B. Instead, they may all be G, or S or B or any combination depending upon the level of model excellence each particular entry has achieved. In brief, each model is considered upon its own merits rather than in comparison to what else is on the table.

The model is to be judged without consideration to any base it is displayed on, except Dioramas. If the "base" has had a significant amount of work done to it, and/or suggests a significant story, the model may be judged as a diorama. For example, an airplane on a Verlinden printed sheet of a wooden aircraft carrier deck can be construed as a base, but if it were displayed on a handmade wooden aircraft carrier deck with ground crew and equipment, it would be a diorama. A ship in water can be a base but adding additional ships, or a dock (etc) can make it a diorama... We'll do our utmost to be fair but the more work a base has, the more likely it's a diorama.

The model must be built only by the entrant. Judges shall not judge a category they are entered in.

Absentee entrants are permitted so long as the absentee entrant provides that information.

Model subject must be "in good taste," according to the Chairman and Assistant's tastes, or it will not be allowed to be displayed. We want to encourage modelers of all ages. If you model excessive brutality, for example, you crossed the line. Sorry!

Judges will not pick up models for judging but may move them as necessary during judging. The Contest Chairman may move a model into a more appropriate category at his discretion. Models must be entered by 8pm and cannot be removed until after the awards are announced without prior approval.

1/48 Scale Aircraft refers to models that are larger than 1/72 Scale. JUNIOR refers to modelers 16 years old or younger. It is your responsibility to adequately indicate on the entry form that their entry is that of a Junior.

You should assume the judges know nothing about your model or what you did to make it look so good! Display photos or list the work you've done on the model. There's no guarantee that the judges can read but it's up to you to give them something to read that's pertinent to how you built the model. If you've done something out of the usual, like painted a pink Panther tank, you should have ample reference documenting it. On the other hand, don't waste the judges time with history lessons documenting your O.D. Sherman tank.

### **Contest Chairman:**

Contest Chairman is appointed by the Executive Board of officers and is responsible for keeping all records of the Quarterly Contest entries and results. The records will be turned over to the E-Board at the end of his term.

The Contest Chairman will recruit and appoint judges for the listed categories. Typically there are two or more judges per category. If you have not judged and want to become one, you may ask to become one. During your first experience or so, you will be part of a judging team to

listen and learn, and to add your two cents. But the two actual judges will make the decisions for that category.

The Contest Chairman is to tabulate the Quarterly Contest “placers” for eligibility in the World Series. A list of the eligible models will be printed in the September and updated for the October club newsletters prior to the World Series.

The Contest Chairman will appoint an Assistant Chairman to help at Quarterly Contests, to get the contest underway if the Chairman is late for a contest, and to take the Chairman’s responsibilities in his absence.

The Contest Chairman will ensure that an adequate supply of awards are available for each Quarterly Contest and work with the Executive Board of Officers to ensure that a sufficient supply of awards are available for the World Series contest should it fall within his year of chairmanship. It is suggested to report with the list of tabulated entries in August and by the September E-Board meeting.

The Contest Chairman is to supervise judging, ensure that all placers are awarded at that meeting and that the Special Theme Award is given out.

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