

## Contest Rules *DownEastCon* July 10, 2010

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- Each category will have a first, second and third place. There is no Out of Box (OOB) award.
- The modified "No Sweeps" rule is in effect; that means a modeler cannot take all 3 places in a category, but can take two of three.
- In accordance with IPMS USA policy, model entries depicting suggestive or explicit sexual activity, or excretory functions, will not be permitted. Furthermore, Eastern Carolina Plastic Modelers will not allow entry of models depicting male or female nudity. This does not apply to aircraft nose-art. There is no "screened area".
- All entries must be the sole work of the individual whose name is on the registration and entry forms. A surrogate may bring another person's model, but the registration must be that of the builder. Commercially built and/or finished models (i.e., pre-built and/or pre-painted, die-cast, etc) may not be entered in any category.
- Models are entered solely at the entrants' risk. Eastern Carolina Plastic Modelers does not assume any liability for loss or damage to any model. Models may be handled during judging. If necessary, we will ask the modeler to remove display cases prior to judging.
- Models may be displayed on a base (either plain or one that simulates appropriate natural surface) of reasonable size. Bases will not be judged in any category except Dioramas. Any entry that, by virtue of its base or setting, depicts a story or theme, must be entered in a Diorama category.
- Models may include a primary crew. Any model with other figures, equipment, foliage, structures, or action must be entered in a Diorama category.
- Junior entrants (age 17 or younger) may compete in either the junior or regular categories, but not both. Please put a check in the Juniors Box on the Entry Form if you wish to be entered as a Junior.
- The Contest Registration Committee will assist in determining entry class and category at the time of registration. If an entry qualifies to be in more than one category (i.e., a 1/32 biplane could be either 102 or 141) the entrant may select which category he would like the model to compete. In all cases the final determination rests with the Chief Judge and the decision of the Chief Judge is final. Any category may be split or combined at the discretion of the Contest Committee.
- Judges are not allowed to judge a category in which they are entered.
- Models will be judged against each other based on fit, finish, and authenticity. Be prepared to offer documentation for unusual camouflage or markings.
- An entry which has won an individual prize at any IPMS/USA Regional or National Contest in a previous calendar year may be entered for display only. Current calendar year winners may compete.
- Automotive Category Definitions.  
 REPLICAS STOCK -- A vehicle as it would have come from the factory; paint must resemble factory paint, wheels can be replaced if an authorized factory accessory. Documentation may be requested for any vehicle that appears unusual.  
 STREET RODS, STREET MACHINES -- Modified vehicles intended to be street driven. Models must be street legal; treaded tires, exhaust systems, license plate, etc.  
 CUSTOMS -- Vehicles that have undergone extensive body work.
- Theme Award: The usual Contest Theme is "North Carolina on my Mind". To be eligible for this Theme Award, models must represent a person, place, or event that is related to North Carolina, or happened in North Carolina, or involved people from North Carolina. Other Themes may be announced and will be separately described in contest documentation. All Theme Award entries must be accompanied by supporting documentation.

## Contest Categories *DownEastCon* July 10, 2010

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ECPM Cat#	Category Description	Split?
<b>000</b>	<b>Juniors</b>	
001	Juniors	Planned
<b>100</b>	<b>Aircraft</b>	
102	Multi-wing & Rigged; All	
106	Single Engine Prop; 1/72 & smaller	Planned
107	Single Engine Prop; 1/48	Planned
113	Multi Engine Prop; 1/72 & smaller	
118	Multi Engine Prop; 1/48	
129	Jets; 1/72 & smaller	Planned
135	Jets; 1/48	Planned
141	Aircraft; 1/32 & larger	Planned
153	Helicopters; All	
<b>200</b>	<b>Military Vehicles</b>	
201	Armor; 1/72 & smaller; all eras	
202	Armor; 1/48; all eras (covers 1/36--1/71)	
203	Armor; 1/35 & larger; to 1945, Axis	Planned
204	Armor; 1/35 & larger; to 1945, Allied	Planned
205	Armor; 1/35 & larger; Post 1945	Planned
206	Armor; Open top w/Interiors; all scales/eras	
215	Wheeled & Soft-skin Vehicles; all scales/eras	
223	Ordnance - Missiles & Towed Arty; all scales/eras	
<b>300</b>	<b>Figures</b>	
301	Foot & Mounted; All	
302	Fantasy & Sci-Fi; All	
<b>400</b>	<b>Ships</b>	
401	Ships, All	Planned
<b>500</b>	<b>Automotive</b>	
502	Replica Stock	
506	Street Rods (1948 & older)	
508	Street Machines (1949 & newer)	
512	Customs	
513	Competition	Planned
538	Commercial	Planned
551	Miscellaneous	Planned
<b>600</b>	<b>Space &amp; Sci-Fi</b>	
601	Space & Sci-Fi; All	Planned
<b>700</b>	<b>Dioramas</b>	
701	Military	
702	Civilian	
<b>800</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
801	All Other Entries	
<b>900</b>	<b>Special Awards</b>	
901	Best Aircraft	
902	Best Military Vehicle	
905	Best Automobile	
907	Best Diorama	
909	Best of Show	
910A	Theme Award: "North Carolina on my Mind"	
910B	Theme Award: "New Bern 300th"	