



SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

6:00 PM to 10:00 PM Vendor Setup

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

6:00 AM to 9:00 AM Vendor Setup
 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Contest and Vendor Areas Open
 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Registration
 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Special Events and Demonstrations
 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM Judging
 4:00 PM Awards Ceremony
 5:00 PM Vendor Breakdown

GENERAL ADMISSION

\$5 for non-contestants (Scouts in uniform and children 12 and under are free)

CONTESTANT ENTRY FEES

SENIOR (18 and over) \$10 for first entry; Additional Entries \$3 each
 JUNIOR (13 to 17) \$5 for first entry; Additional entries \$2 each
 PRETEEN (12 and under) \$2 for first entry; Additional entries \$1 each

VENDOR TABLES

\$30 for *each* 3' x8' table on a first come/first served basis
plus one (1) door prize *per vendor*
 \$25 for each electrical hookup

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PRESENTS

MODELFIESTA 31

THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEST OF TEXAS

THEME:

“Operation Torch”

Any Allied or Axis subject that rolled, sailed, flew, or marched during the November 1942 invasion of North Africa

Saturday, February 18, 2012

Live Oak Civic Center

8101 Pat Booker Road, Live Oak, Texas

Visit our website <http://www.alamosquadron.com> between now and the contest for latest information, scheduled special events, and demonstrations

MODELFiesta 31 RULES, CATEGORIES, AND AWARDS

RULES

1. The ModelFiesta Committee is responsible for all category placement, splits, and judging decisions. Contestants changing entry placement without prior approval of the Head Judge or Contest Director will be disqualified. Entries may not compete in more than one category.
2. Judging of 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places will be by the committee method and will follow general guidance contained in the IPMS/USA Competition Handbook. A copy of the Handbook will be available for review if needed. Sweeps are permitted. The model contest area will remain open to event ticket holders during the judging.
3. Entries must be the sole work of the entrant. (Category 415 excepted.) Proxy entry forms must include the builder's name as well as the name of the person placing the entry. Commercially built and/or finished models that do not require significant additional work by the modeler are not allowed. Pre-decorated assembly kits may be entered, but MUST be accompanied by the kit instructions.
4. Models that are prior winners at any IPMS/USA National Convention, Region 6 Convention, or ModelFiesta may be entered for competition in any category.
5. Models in box-stock categories **MUST** be accompanied by the kit instructions. Modeler may fill seams; sand off rivets; drill out gun ports, exhaust pipes, or other appropriate openings; thin to scale such parts as trailing edges, flaps, and doors; add rigging and antennas; and add simple tape or decal seatbelts (NO commercial or modeler-made hardware). Photo-etched, cast metal or resin parts are permitted if included in the original kit and so identified in the kit instructions. Articulating/separating kit parts or including non-kit parts is not allowed. Finish and markings are unrestricted.
6. Conversions are significant changes to the original kit in order to depict a different variant of the original subject. Builders must detail changes made to the basic model on the entry sheet or in accompanying documentation.
7. Scratchbuilt models **must not** significantly derive from existing kits. They may use parts from other kits, but except for detail parts (e.g., wheels/guns) their use should be unrelated to their original identity.
8. Models may be carefully handled by contest staff and judges when necessary to correctly place and evaluate the entry.
9. Alamo Squadron respects and admires the skill and artistry of all builders and their models, regardless of subject. However, in the interests of public decency and local sensibilities, the following subjects will **not** be accepted for entry or display at the sole discretion of the ModelFiesta Committee: lewd, nude, sexually explicit, obscene, offensive, or those depicting pogroms or bodily functions.
10. Models entered in the Contest Theme Award category (#2012) may not compete in any other category.

CATEGORIES

AIRCRAFT

- 105 Box Stock, 1/48 (See Rule 5) ⁽¹⁾
- 110 Box Stock, 1/72 (See Rule 5)
- 115 Civil ⁽²⁾
- 120 Small Scale Military (Smaller than 1/72)
- 125 Rotary/Tilt ⁽²⁾
- 130 1/32 Scale and Larger
- 135 Design Aircraft (designs/concepts that never flew, fictional variations on actual aircraft, and prototypes) ⁽²⁾
- 140 Vacuforms, Conversions, and Scratchbuilts (See Rules 6 & 7) ^{(1) (2)}
- 145 Origins to 1937

1/48 Scale

- 150 Single Engine Prop ⁽¹⁾
- 155 Multi-engine Prop
- 160 Single Engine Jet
- 165 Multi-engine Jet

1/72 Scale

- 170 Single Engine Prop
- 175 Multi-engine Prop
- 180 Single Engine Jet
- 185 Multi-engine Jet

ARMOR

- 205 Box Stock (See Rule 5) ^{(1) (2)}
- 210 Conversions and Scratchbuilts (See Rules 6-7)
- 211 Hypotheticals, Prototypes and Design Vehicles That Existed Only On Paper - all scales

Larger than 1/48 Scale

- 215 Allied Tanks to 1945
- 220 Axis tanks to 1945 ⁽¹⁾
- 225 Battle Tanks from 1946
- 230 APC's, Armored Cars, & Half Tracks (All Types and Eras) ⁽¹⁾
- 235 Open Top/Full Interior/Utility Vehicles
- 240 Miscellaneous Towed Artillery & Anti-tank Guns
- 245 Softskins

1/48 Scale and Smaller

- 250 1/48, All Types and Eras
- 255 1/72 and smaller, All Types and Eras ⁽¹⁾

AUTOMOTIVE

- 305 Box Stock (See Rule 5)
- 310 Factory Stock/Showroom/Production
- 330 Street Rod (1949 & Older, Street Legal)
- 335 Street Machine (1950 & Later, Street Legal)
- 340 Custom (Any Year, Mild to Wild)
- 345 Open Wheel Competition
- 350 Closed Wheel Competition
- 355 Trucks, Commercial & Emergency Vehicles
- 365 Competition Drag
- 370 1/32 Scale and Smaller

AUTOMOTIVE (Continued)

- 375 Motorcycles ⁽²⁾
- 380 Exotics
- 385 Miscellaneous (Curbside, Slammer, Lowrider, etc.)

COLLECTIONS

- 405 Personal Collection (5 or more models of a closely related subject)
- 410 Triple Play (3 models from different major categories that have a common theme)
- 415 Club/Group (All models must relate to a theme selected by the club/group.)

DIORAMAS

- 605 Aircraft
- 610 Armor
- 615 Automotive
- 620 Figure (5 figures or more)
- 625 Other

FIGURES/VIGNETTES

Historic

- 705 54mm and Smaller
- 710 55mm to 119mm
- 715 120mm and Larger

Fantasy

- 720 Figures & Creatures, 54mm and smaller
- 725 Figures & Creatures, larger than 54mm

Movies

- (Figures & Creatures, all sizes)
- 730 Science Fiction, including Robots
- 735 Horror
- 740 Action/Adventure and Anime
- 745 Super Heroes and Villains

Busts

- 750 All Entries

Vignettes

- 755 Vignettes (single subject, less than 5 figures)

SHIPS

- 806 Powered Surface Vessels, 1/400 & larger
- 807 Powered Surface Vessels, 1/401 & smaller
- 810 Submarines
- 815 Sail/Oar-Powered Vessels/Boats

SPACECRAFT/SCI-FI

- 905 Actual Vehicles, Missiles, and Rockets
- 910 Fictional Air/Spacecraft (e.g., Star Wars fighters)
- 915 Fictional Ground/Water Vehicles (AFS's, APC's, Walkers, Ground Effect Vehicles, Watercraft)

YOUNG MODELERS

Pre-teen (12 and under)

- 1005 Military
- 1015 Automotive
- 1025 Miscellaneous (Including Figures)

Junior (13 - 17)

- 1050 Military
- 1060 Automotive
- 1065 Miscellaneous (Including Figures)

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1105 Mechanicals
- 1110 Biologicals

CONTEST THEME AWARD

- 2012 Operation Torch (See Rule 10)

AWARDS

CATEGORY AWARDS

(Awards given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd)

Young Modelers, Aircraft, Armor, Automotive, Collections, Dioramas, Figures/Vignettes, Ships, Spacecraft/Sci-Fi, and Miscellaneous

BEST OF AWARDS

(Sponsored by Hill Country Hobby, San Antonio) Young Modeler, Aircraft, Armor, Automotive, Diorama, Figure/Vignette, Ship, Spacecraft/Sci-Fi, and Open (Collections & Misc.)

INDIVIDUALLY SPONSORED AWARDS

(Selected by sponsor)

Best NASCAR - (Robert Carr and Gordon Zeigler)
Best F-4 Phantom - (Hill Country Hobby)
Best Spitfire - (Lee Forbes)
Best WW II Allied Armor - (Michael Picard)
Best Panzer in Normandy - (George Armstrong Custer Gin Drinking and Model Building Society)
David Lee "Tex" Hill Award - Best P-40 (Lee Forbes)
Left Field Award - Most Humorous or Offbeat Subject (Matt Oldham)
Robert Beebe Award For Modeling Excellence - Any subject that truly reflects excellence in the hobby of modeling (Lone Star Armor Brigade)
Red Star Award - Best subject from a communist bloc nation ("Comrade Boris")

MEMORIAL AWARDS

Tom Ward - Best WWI aircraft
Bob Davies - Best "Golden Age" aircraft
James Smith - Best WWII Axis aircraft

SPECIAL AWARDS

Theme Award - Operation Torch
Best of Show

NOTES: (1) **POTENTIAL SPLIT**
(2) **ALL SCALES & ERAS**