WSQ Inc. 2024 Competition - Rules & Conditions

1. Competition Judging Date: 17th July, 2024

2. Entries:

- **a.** Only financial members of WSQ Inc. are eligible to enter the Competition.
- **b.** Entry Forms are to be received in the designated box in the Library at Pine St. no later than Tuesday, 25th June at 6.30pm.
- **c.** Entries will be placed in the Level recorded for each member in the WSQ Membership Database.
- **d.** A maximum of three (3) items may be entered in any one Category.
- e. Competition pieces are to be delivered to WSQ Auditorium by 12.00 noon on Friday, 12th July, clearly labelled with the entrants name and <u>accompanied by a photocopy of the Entry Form previously submitted</u>
- **f.** Competition pieces must have been completed in the period 12 months prior to the Competition Judging Date (17th July, 2024)
- g. Members must confirm that their entry/entries are genuinely their own work and NO physical assistance has been received in the making of any part of the entry/entries.

3. Levels

- **a.** Advanced (more experienced turners promoted from old Level 2)
- **b.** Intermediate (experienced turners with those promoted from old Level 3)
- **c.** Introductory Beginners or less experienced turners

Members who believe they should compete at a level other than that applying to them (Advanced, Intermediate or Introductory) should contact the Competition Convenor. Members can check their Competition level by contacting the WSQ Membership Secretary.

4. Judging

- **a.** Each entry (other than those in Category L Pyrography) will be judged by two (2) judges with each awarding a maximum of 100 points according to the following Criteria: Workmanship 40%, Finish (including tool and sanding marks) 30%, Design 20%, Degree of Difficulty 10%.
- **b.** Judges will provide comments against each of the Criteria.
- **c.** Judges will be unaware of the entrant's name, experience or level.
- **d.** Judges' comments for each entry and point scores will be provided to entrants.
- **e.** Category L Pyrography will be judged by one judge only. Entries will be judged on the following Criteria: Composition & Design 30%, Originality & Creativity 30%, Quality of Execution 30%, Presentation 10%.

5. Awards

- a. Awards will be recognized by the presentation of Certificates.
- **b.** First place will be awarded in all categories and for all levels for which there are entries.
- **c.** Second place will be awarded in all Categories and for all Levels for which there are at least two (2) entries.

d. Highly Commended Certificates will be awarded to those entries that are within 10% of the score of the first prize in the Category and Level, provided the percentage total for that item exceeds: 70% for Introductory, 75% for Intermediate, 80% for Advanced.

6. Promotion

- **a.** Advancement from one level to the next requires the minimum percentage total shown in **b.** below in two (2) different categories at the current level, in two (2) of the last three (3) Competitions. For clarity, the last three (3) Competitions mean the current and the previous two (2) Competitions
- **b.** For promotion the percentage total for an item must exceed: 70% for promotion to Intermediate or, 75% for promotion to Advanced.

7. Conditions of Entry

WSQ Inc. reserves the right to photograph any, or all, of the Competition entries for the purpose of preserving a record, to publish in any media publication, to exhibit on the Society's internet web page, Facebook, Instagram and/or to make prints available for sale with WSQ Inc Management Committee approval.

The final decisions on any matters relating to the Competition rest with the Competition Convenor.

Mike Dunne

Competition Convenor