

Special & Commemorative Awards
Qualification & Rules
Expo 2022

Best Aircraft “Straight Outta the Box”

CRITERIA: Any commercially available aircraft model kit.

Best Armour “Straight Outta the Box”

CRITERIA: Any commercially available armour model kit.

Best Civilian Automotive “Straight Outta the Box”

CRITERIA: Any commercially available civilian automotive model kit.

Event Rules for all "Straight Outta the Box" awards.

Rule 3.2 SOB (Straight Out of the Box) entries will only be considered for the Adult tier and will be governed by the following rules:

Rule 3.2.1 KITS. Any commercially available kit may be used. The number of Out-of-the-Box awards will be determined by the Contest Chair or Head Judge.

Rule 3.2.2 CONSTRUCTION.

1. The modeller may fill seams and gaps; sand off rivets; drill out gun ports; thin to scale such parts as trailing edges, flaps and doors; add rigging and antennas if they appear on the instruction sheet or box art; and add simple tape or decal seat belts in the cockpit of an aircraft or the interior of the vehicle; re-scribe panel lines to repair damage only. NO manufactured hardware, e.g. photo-etched buckles, unless they come with the original kit.

2. IT IS NOT PERMITTED TO: vacuform, manufacture, or replace any part, or substitute parts from another kit; cut or separate canopies, surfaces, hatches, doors, etc. (no major surgery); combine a standard kit with a conversion kit; add anything other than specified in the instruction sheet except as noted in Section 3.2.2.1 above.

Rule 3.2.3 FINISH. The natural plastic finish may be retained, or it may be foil covered or painted with brush, spray can, or airbrush. Alternative camouflage/markings and decals other than those included with the kit may be used. Insignia, markings, and instrument panels may be hand painted instead of decaled. Weathering is permitted.

Rule 3.2.4 DOCUMENTATION. ENTRANTS MUST HAVE THEIR MODEL INSTRUCTION SHEET AVAILABLE BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF JUDGING. That documentation must then be placed on the table BESIDE their model. BOX ART must be supplied if adding rigging that is not shown in kit instructions (aerials, lines, etc.).

Best Canadian Armour Subject

CRITERIA: Any model either by itself, as the main focus in a diorama featuring a Canadian armour subject, or as a collection (Rules Section 2.5) of Canadian armour (including tanks, open top AFVs, assault guns, self-propelled guns, half-tracks, armoured cars, artillery pieces, jeeps, trucks and military motorcycles). This could include any armour built in Canada in Canadian or foreign markings, or foreign built armour with Canadian markings.

Best Canadian Aircraft Subject

CRITERIA: Any model aircraft either by itself, as the main focus in a diorama, or as a collection (Rules Section 2.5) featuring Canadian aircraft as the main subject. This could include any aircraft built in Canada in Canadian or foreign markings, or foreign built aircraft with Canadian markings.

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Best Scratchbuilt or Conversion

CRITERIA: Any entry either by itself, as the main focus in a diorama, or as a collection (Rules Section 2.5) that can be considered a scratchbuilt or conversion (Rules Section 2.4).

Event Rules for Best Scratchbuilt or Conversion:

Rule 2.4 SCRATCHBUILT models may incorporate parts from other kits, but those should generally be unrelated to their original identity, except for minor parts such as wheels, guns, etc. CONVERSION models must contain significant structural changes to the basic kit involving extensive changes in contour and configuration. As a rule of thumb, use of commercially available conversion parts; (for example, aircraft noses, resin cast turrets, or resin cast car bodies) does not call for the level of effort needed to qualify for the conversion award.

Best Aircraft Carrier Subject (100th anniversary of the commissioning of the world's first Aircraft Carrier)

CRITERIA: Any representation of an Aircraft Carrier ship or an aircraft designed specifically for Aircraft Carrier use, either by itself, as the main focus in a diorama, or as a collection (Rules Section 2.5). Subjects not eligible are ships with add-on aircraft decks, aircraft decks on guns, aircraft lighters, aircraft launched from gun mounted catapults, or mounted on a catapult, lighter than air aircraft.

Best "Fabulous 50s" Automobile

CRITERIA: Any representation of a civilian automobile, motorcycle or truck, by a **North American** manufacturer in the 1950s, either by itself, as the main focus in a diorama, or as a collection (Rules Section 2.5).

Best Star Wars Subject (45th Anniversary of the Star Wars franchise)

CRITERIA: Any Star Wars subject from the Star Wars universe, either by itself, as the main focus in a diorama, or as a collection (Rules Section 2.5).