



CONTEST CATEGORIES*

*IPMS RTC reserves the right to make changes as necessary

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I - AIRCRAFT

101. 1/100 and smaller
102. Biplanes & Rigged A/C
103. Single Engine Prop, 1/72
104. Single Engine Prop, 1/48
105. Multi-Engine Prop, 1/72
106. Multi-Engine Prop, 1/48
107. Jet Aircraft, 1/72
108. Jet Aircraft, 1/48
109. All Aircraft, 1/32 and Larger
110. Rotary Wings
111. Civil, Sport, Racing & Airliners
112. Hypothetical & "What-If" Aircraft
113. Major Conversions & Scratchbuilts
114. Out of the Box

II - MILITARY VEHICLES

201. All AFVs, 1/48 and Smaller
202. AFVs, 1/35, 1945 & Earlier
203. AFVs, 1/35, 1946 & Later
204. Armored Cars, Halftracks & Soft Skin Vehicles
205. Ordnance, (incl. Towed Weapons & Missiles)
206. All AFVs, 1/16 and Larger
207. Hypothetical & "What-If" & Military Vehicles
208. Major Conversions & Scratchbuilts
209. Out of the Box

III - FIGURES

301. Single, Real to life, 89mm & Smaller
302. Single, Real to life, 90mm & Larger
303. Busts
304. Fantasy, & Science Fiction
305. Animal/Creature, Others
306. Major Conversions & Scratchbuilts
307. Riders (Mounted figure riding horse, camel, motorcycle, dragon, dinosaur etc.)

- In Aircraft categories: 1/100 refers to scales 1/87 and smaller; 1/72 refers to scales 1/86 to 1/60; 1/48 refers to scales 1/59 to 1/40; 1/32 refers to scales 1/39 and larger.
- In Military Vehicles categories: 1/48 refers to scales 1/40 and smaller ; 1/35 refers to scales 1/39 to 1/17

IV - AUTOMOTIVE

401. Tuner
402. Replica, Factory Stock and Auto
403. Street Rods and Customs, 1948 and Older
404. Street Machines and Customs, 1949 and Newer
405. Curbside and Slammers
406. Rat Rods
407. Truck and Light Duty
408. Competition Drag
409. Competition Open Wheel
410. Competition Closed Wheel
411. Motorcycles
412. Construction, Commercial, Emergency and Utility
413. Out of the Box

V - SHIPS

501. Surface Vessels, 1/401 and Smaller
502. Surface Vessels, 1/400 and Larger
503. Submarines
504. Sailing & Oar Powered
505. Naval Technologies

VI - SPACE, SCI-FI, FANTASY

601. Real Life Rockets and Spacecraft, etc.
602. Fictitious Rockets and Spacecraft, etc.
603. Gundam/Gunpla
604. Other Mecha & Robots

**Based on the number of included entries, some regular categories may be split at the discretion of the Head Judge.*

VII - DIORAMAS

701. Aircraft
702. Armor & Military Vehicles
703. Automotive
704. Figures (2 or more figures)
705. Space/Sci-fi/Fantasy

VIII - JUNIORS (17yrs & under)

801. Aircraft
802. Military Vehicles
803. Civilian Vehicles
804. Figures & Creatures
805. Space/Sci-fi/Fantasy Vehicles
806. Other Subjects

IX - Miscellaneous

901. Collections, Paper Models, All Others
902. Humor in modeling

2026 Contest Special Awards

BEST INDIANAPOLIS 500 THEMED ENTRY
BEST WW2 GERMAN ARMOR ENTRY
BEST TRADITIONAL HOT ROD

CONTEST RULES

1. The contest is open to all modelers. Membership in IPMS/USA is not a requirement.
2. Judging shall be conducted using the guidelines set forth by IPMS/USA. Entries will be judged using the following criteria: basic construction, overall finish, overall accuracy, additional detailing, and degree of difficulty. Scratchbuilt details will be favored over commercially available detail if quality is comparable. A great amount of added detail will not make up for poor basic construction. A copy of the IPMS/USA Handbook can be found at: <https://ipmsusa.org/about/national-contest-committee/ipmsusa-competition-handbook>
3. In Aircraft categories: 1/100 refers to scales 1/87 and smaller; 1/72 refers to scales 1/86 to 1/60; 1/48 refers to scales 1/59 to 1/40; 1/32 refers to scales 1/39 and larger.
4. In Military Vehicle categories: 1/72 refers to scales 1/100 to 1/60; 1/48 refers to scales 1/59 to 1/36; 1/35 refers to scales 1/35 and larger.
5. In Figure categories: 1/32 and 1/35 figures will compete as 54mm
6. Jet aircraft categories include manned, rocket powered vehicles such as the Me-163, X-1, X-15, etc.
7. If a model is qualified for more than one category, the Registrars shall assist in determining which category the model should be entered. In the event of questionable placement, the Head Judge's decision will be final.
8. The Contest Director may decline to accept an entry with subject matter that may be considered lewd, offensive, or in poor taste by the general public.
9. Contest categories may be expanded or combined, at the discretion of the head judge, based on the number of entries in a given category.
10. Bases: A simple base and the primary crew figures will be allowed with an entry, however the addition of any other figures and equipment outside, or not attached to the model (e.g. support equipment, foliage, shell splashes or buildings) will make the model a Diorama, which then shall be entered into the proper Diorama category. A scene of action will be considered a diorama. Bases and figures will not be judged in non-diorama categories. Max entry/base size is 900 sq in (30" x 30").
11. Dioramas are defined as scenes telling a story, containing figures and vehicles (aircraft, tanks, ships, cars and trucks)
12. Out of the Box: To be considered out of the box a model must be constructed solely from the contents of the kit, with the exception of finishes or decals. Weathering, filling seams and mold flaws, adding simple seat belts, and antenna/rigging are allowed. Gun barrels, vents and door handles may be drilled out as well. No cutting separating/opening of hatches, control surfaces, canopies, or doors is permitted. The use of aftermarket accessories (except decals) will be cause for disqualification from the Out-of-Box category. Instructions MUST accompany the model and entry form.
13. A "Conversion" entry must contain significant structural changes to the basic kit involving extensive changes in contour or configuration, such work having been accomplished by the modeler. Entries using aftermarket parts as the MAJORITY of the conversion will be placed in the appropriate regular category.
14. A Scratchbuilt entry may incorporate minor parts from other kits (wheels, guns, ordnance, etc.), but the majority of the main subject should not be from commercially manufactured kits.
15. All dust covers MUST be removed prior to judging. Models with dust covers on will not be considered when judging.
16. NO SWEEPS ALLOWED. A modeler will be awarded the single highest award in a particular category.
17. Models that have placed 3rd (bronze) or better in any IPMS National contest or at a previous IPMS Roscoe Turner Model Contest are not eligible for competition.
18. Interference with the Judges during the judging process may result in an entrant's immediate disqualification.
19. The judges' decisions are final.
20. IPMS Roscoe Turner reserves the right to make changes to the contest categories as necessary.
21. The IPMS Roscoe Turner Chapter, its members, agents or officers assume no liability or responsibility in case of accidents involving attendees, equipment, merchandise, models, displays or for property lost, stolen or damaged during the show.

Directions: The Centennial Hall is located on the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds in Lebanon, Indiana, next to I-65 at exit 138. (Approximately 20 miles northwest of Indianapolis)

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I.P.M.S. ROSCOE TURNER INDIANAPOLIS INVITATIONAL CONTEST & SWAP MEET



APRIL 4, 2026
9:00am to 4:00pm

Indy is in the Eastern Time Zone 🕒



Centennial Hall, Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
1300 East 100 S, Lebanon, IN 46052

SHOW GENERAL ADMISSION - \$5.00 ... KIDS 12 and under are FREE

No Pets Allowed - Only Certified Service Animals Will Be Permitted



◆◆◆◆◆ **CONTEST** ◆◆◆◆◆
ADULT (UNLIMITED ENTRIES) - \$10.00
Juniors & Youth 17yrs. and under are FREE



◆◆◆◆◆ **SCHEDULE** ◆◆◆◆◆
CONTEST REGISTRATION ◆ 9:00am - 12:00pm
SWAP MEET ◆ 9:00am - 4:00pm
CONTEST AREA CLOSED FOR JUDGING at 12:30
◆ Award presentations after Judging is completed ◆

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