

PORTLAND REGIONAL GEM AND MINERAL SHOW - 2016

EXHIBITOR ADVISORY AND SUPPLEMENTAL RULES

LOCATION: Washington County Fairgrounds. The Fairgrounds are located across Cornell Road from the Hillsboro Airport.

SETUP: Thursday at noon until 10:00 p.m. and Friday between 8:00 am and 9:00 a.m.

JUDGING: Judging starts at 9:00 a.m. Friday.

UPON ARRIVAL: Please check at the registration desk for location of your display space, packet with ribbons, passes, etc.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Exhibitors may at their own expense, stay at the many nearby hotels, motels, or any camping facility. The Fairgrounds may have on-site camping spaces available. You may inquire about a camping permit by contacting the Washington County Fairgrounds directly. Exhibitors will be responsible for on-site camping fees at the Fairgrounds.

POTLUCK: On Thursday evening after set up there will be a potluck hosted by volunteers from the five clubs that comprise the Regional. The potluck typically begins at 6:30 p.m. and food is available for all exhibitors, dealers, and volunteers.

CASE LIGHTING: Case lighting is limited as follows: 150 watts per 4' case; 225 watts per 6' case; and 300 watts per 8' case. Upon request to the exhibit chairperson, exceptions may be made for special exhibits.

ACCESS: Your case should remain closed during the entire show. Please contact the show office if you need to open your case on an emergency basis during the show. The exhibit chairperson, or her designee, must be present if you open your case during the show.

REMOVAL OF CASES: At the close of the show on Sunday, there will be announcement for all guests, exhibitors, dealers and show volunteers to leave the building. After the building is cleared, there will be an announcement for exhibits, dealers, and show volunteers to return for removal of exhibits cases, fixtures, and dealer merchandise.

NAMES/LABELS: You are not required to display your name in a non-competitive exhibit, but you are welcome to do so. You may place either a neatly lettered label or on a personalized club badge in the case. Please neatly identify all of the rock, gem, fossil, jewelry and other materials in your case to enhance the educational value to the viewer.

AWARDS PRESENTATION: There will be an awards program on Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. This is after closure of the show for the day. For more information about the awards presentation, please contact the show front desk for location. Please pick up all awards at this program.

SPECIAL-COMPETITIVE TROPHIES: Certain trophies are available to be awarded to non-competitive exhibitors. However, for you to be eligible for a trophy, please indicate your interest in receiving a trophy in writing when filling out your exhibit registration.

COMPETITIVE TROPHIES: The AFMS Uniform Rules Book, 8th Edition with all updates, will govern all exhibit judging with the exception of Gem Trees, Al Gerding Memorial (Single Faceted Stone), All Mini-Competition, and Plume Competition. Please inquire about special rules if you are making an entry in these categories. Judging will begin on Friday at 9:00 a.m. All exhibits must be in place at that time. Displays which violate the lighting limitations (see above) will lose five points from the exhibits total score. Winning a trophy in any other show, including a previous Portland Regional Show, shall not disqualify any exhibitor from competing for a trophy within their category. Competitive exhibitors may be present during the judging of their exhibits, but must not speak to the judges or clerk except to answer questions directed to them by the judges. If an exhibitor abuses this directive, the privilege may be revoked at the discretion of the Rules Committee. Ribbons will be awarded for competitive exhibits as outlined in the Uniform Rules, page twelve, Section 4.5, "Optional Award Ribbons."

DIVISION AWARDS AND TROPHIES:

1. A Rosette will be awarded in the NOVICE and JUNIOR groups for the best display in each of the divisions as listed in the AFMS Uniform Rules, provided the display earned a blue ribbon.
2. A Trophy will be awarded in the ADVANCED and MASTERS groups for the best display in each of the divisions as listed in the AFMS Uniform Rules, provided that the display earned a blue ribbon.

SPECIAL AWARDS:

1. An award to the Visiting Club with the greatest total footage of displays, based upon percentage of membership.
2. An award to the Sponsoring Club with the greatest total footage of displays, based upon percentage of membership.
3. The Gem Tree Award: To the best Competitive display of Gem Trees. Please request the rules of this award category if you plan to compete.
4. The Al Gerding Memorial Award: To the best single stone faceted by a novice. Please request the rules for this award category if you plan to compete.
5. An Association Award for the best non-dealer display in the show of "All Oregon Lapidary Material." Please write on your application that you wish to be considered for this award.
6. An Association Award for the best display of Northwest Lapidary Material. All material

must originate from within the boundaries of the Northwest Federation.) Indicate on application that you wish to be considered.

7. The Mini Cab Award for a limited number of specimens or units prepared by a novice.
8. The Mini Mineral Award. Please request the rules if you plan to compete in this category.
9. The Mini Fossil Award. Please request the rules if you plan to compete in this category.
10. The Mini Jewelry Award. Please request the rules if you plan to compete in this category.
11. The President's Trophy award of the President's personal choice.
12. A Sweepstakes Award to the best competitive exhibit in the show. Determined by a special judging team and selected from all Master Trophy winners.
13. The Mount Hood Trophy presented by the Mount Hood Rock Club to a non-competitive exhibit, based upon originality, showmanship, and public appeal. Not open to dealers.
14. An Association Award for the best case of Spheres in the show displayed by a Non Dealer.
15. A Junior Sweepstakes Award to the best junior competitive Exhibit in the show. Determined by a special Judging Team and selected from all Rosette winners in the junior group.
16. A Junior Display Trophy presented by the Portland Regional to the best Non-Competitive Junior case, based upon originality, showmanship, and public appeal.
17. A Plume, Dendritic, Moss & Sagenite award for the best display of Plume, Dendritic, Moss or Sagenite material cut and displayed by a Non Dealer. Please ask for rules if you plan to compete.
18. A People's Choice Award determined by votes of show attendees.