

CONTEST - DIVISIONS & CATEGORIES

(assume "all scales all eras" (ASAE) unless noted)

Division 100 - Automotive

101	Box Stock
102	Curbside
103	Competition - Closed Wheel
104	Competition - Open Wheel
105	Competition - Straight Line
106	Street Rod (to 1948)
107	Street Machine (1949 to present)
108	Street Stock
109	Customs
110	Tuner & Low-rider
111	Motorcycle
112	Light Truck
113	Commercial Vehicle
114	1/32 & Smaller

Division 200 - Aircraft

201	Box Stock
202	Factual Missiles & Space Craft
203	Civilian
204	Rotary / Tilt Wing
205	1/32 Scale & Larger
206	Origins to 1935 - 1/48 scale
207	Single Engine Prop - 1/48 scale
208	Multi Engine Prop - 1/48 scale
209	Jet - 1/48 scale
210	Origins to 1935 - 1/72 scale
211	Single Engine Prop - 1/72 scale
212	Multi Engine Prop - 1/72 scale
213	Jet - 1/72 scale
214	Smaller than 1/72 scale
215	Scratchbuilt/Conversions/Vacuform

Division 300 - Military Vehicle

301	Box Stock
302	Artillery
303	Smaller than - 1/48 scale
304	1/48 Scale Military Vehicles
305	Fully Tracked no Interior (pre 1946) - 1/35
306	Fully Tracked no Interior (post 1945) - 1/35
307	Vehicle with a Detailed Interior - 1/35 scale
308	Larger than 1/35 scale
309	Armored Car, Half-track, & Soft-skin
310	Miscellaneous Vehicle
311	Scratchbuilt/Conversions/Vacuform

Division 400 – Watercraft

401	Powered Military Vessel - Smaller than 1/400
402	Powered Military Vessel - 1/400 & Larger
403	Sailing and Civilian Vessel – Plastic
404	Sailing and Civilian Vessel – Wooden
405	Submarines ASAE

Division 500 – Historical Figures

501	54 mm & Smaller
502	55 mm to 119 mm
503	120 mm & Larger
504	Mounted
505	Bust

Division 600 - Fictional

601	Figure, Creature, Fantasy, Horror, Adventure, Animation, Sci-Fi - 1/24th & Smaller
602	Figure, Creature, Fantasy, Horror, Adventure, Animation, Sci-Fi - Larger than 1/24th
603	Bust
604	Robot & Mechanical Suit - ASAE
605	Vessel & Vehicle – Star Wars/Star Trek
606	Vessel & Vehicle - Other

Division 700 - Miscellaneous

701	Factual & Prehistoric Creature
702	Collection
703	Group Projects
704	Miscellaneous
705	Hypothetical

Division 800 – Dioramas

801	Automotive
802	Aircraft
803	Military Vehicle
804	Watercraft
805	Figure
806	Fictional
807	Miscellaneous
808	Small

Division 900 - Juniors (age 13-16)

901	Automotive
902	Aircraft
903	Military Vehicle
904	Watercraft
905	Figure
906	Fictional
907	Miscellaneous
908	Diorama

Division 1000 – Beginners (age 12 & under)

CONTEST THEME

Under a Foreign Flag

Anything captured/bought/stolen and used by country other than its' original user.

CONTEST - AWARDS

- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd for each category except division 1000.
- "Best of" for each division except division 1000.
- "Judge's Grand Award" for Best of Show.
- "Theme" Award"
- "Ed Thacker Memorial Award" - Best Storyteller Diorama
- "Joe German Memorial Award" Best Junior Model
- Special Recognition for Beginners Division
- Several Special Sponsored Awards –Best Military Aircraft 1940 to Present and Best Warship 1940 to Present.
- Wild Blue Yonder – the Best USAAC or USAF Aircraft or subject.
- Ground Pounder – the Best German WWII Armor or Armor Diorama

Please contact the Sponsor Coordinator if you wish to present a special award.

CONTEST - ELIGIBILITY

- All models, unless otherwise noted, are eligible for competition at this event.
- The IPMS "definition of plastic" and "plastic composition" rules are waived for this event.
- Model must be built & painted by the modeler for whom it is registered.
- Proxy entries are allowed at the same fees as normal registration.
- Large model collections, oversized models, or special display needs require coordination with the Head Judge no later than 30 days before the event. Such entries may be limited to maintain a manageable space.
- Models previously winning awards at past Modelmania(s) are ineligible for competition.
- All models are subject to the decency clause in the "Event Guidelines".
- "Pre-paint" model are ineligible for this event.
- Limited adult assistance is allowable in Beginner Division only.
- All models entered in the contest must remain in the contest room until judging is completed to remain eligible.

CONTEST - JUDGING

- Judging for this event will be by committee.
- Judging Criteria:
 - *Craftsmanship* - Fabrication & Assembly
 - *Finish* - Appearance
 - *Effectiveness of Model* - Realism
 - *Level of Effort* - Difficulty
- In addition, judges will evaluate the "story-line" of dioramas.
- Only in the Diorama Division will judges evaluate bases.

- Splits will be based on quantity of models in the category & award availability.

CONTEST - RULES

- Lobbying for or against any model is grounds for disqualification of the offender's model(s).
- Markings may be used to determine category placement.
- Vacuum-formed, scratch-built and conversion entries will be placed in their appropriate categories.
- "Box stock" categories may only use parts provided in the kit. "Cleaning-up, accurizing, and clarifying" of the parts is allowed; however, no scratch-built parts, parts from other kits, or after-market parts may be used. The model's instructions must be on display with model. After-market decals are allowed.
- "Collections" are defined as any group of 5 or more closely related models.
- "Group Projects" shall be by five or more modelers and include at least 10 models not including figures.
- "Small Dioramas" are defined as 1/24th scale or smaller and must fit within a 6 inch cube.
- Bases are allowed in all categories, provided that a "slice of life" or story is not portrayed (diorama); otherwise it must be entered in the Diorama Division.
- Handling of model will only be done by the owner of the model, Division Judges, or the Head Judge.
- Handling of model will be to a minimum for proper table placement and for judging.

EVENT GUIDELINES

- IPMS/Houston respects and admires the skill and artistry of this hobby, regardless of the subject. However, common-sense standards of good taste and family viewing must be maintained. Please be advised, that "mature" or "provocative" (e.g. Rated R) subject matter is subject to omission from the event at the discretion of the Show Director or Head Judge. Decisions are final. This "decency clause" applies to all participants of the show.
- No person will be allowed in the event areas without proof of prior registration or general admission.
- Children must be accompanied by a guardian (age 18 or older).
- Any person - child or adult - found handling any models in the display or contest areas, other than his or her own, is subject to ejection from the event.
- No food or drink is permissible in contest room or display areas.
- Contest room will remain open during judging; however, we ask all viewers to cooperate with the judges during the judging process.

ACTIVITIES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Fine Scale Model Contest
- Make & Takes for Youths
- Technique Demonstrations
- Vendors & Manufacturers
- Guest Speakers
- Exhibits & Displays
- Door Prizes & Raffles
- Club Social Tables

SCHEDULE

General Admission:	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Contest Entry:	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Make & Take:	10:00 am - 3:30 pm
Technique Demos:	11:00 am - 3:30 pm
Awards Ceremony:	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Judges Check-in:	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Judging:	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Vendor Set-up:	6:30 am - 9:00 am
Vendors Open:	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Vendor Break-down:	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

FEES

General Admission	\$5	Adults
	\$2	Youths (age 6 – 16)
	Free	Children (age 5 & under)
	Free	If entered in contest
Door Prize Ticket	Free	First ticket incl. with General Admission or Contest Entry
	\$2	Each additional ticket
Raffle Ticket	\$4	Each ticket
Contest Entry	\$10	Adults - First Model
	\$2	Adults - Each Additional Model
	\$5	Juniors - First Model
	\$1	Juniors - Each Additional Model
	\$1	Beginners - Each Model
Vendor Table	\$30	Each table
Award Sponsorship	\$30	Division Category
	\$50	Best of Division

MAKE & TAKE

The Make & Take activity introduces the youth to the world of fine-scale modeling. Each child has the opportunity to build a simple, yet fun kit with guidance from members of IPMS – Houston. Children (ages 4 to 12) can participate, but must be accompanied by a guardian (age 18 or older). Models, building materials, and tools are furnished.

DIRECTIONS

The Stafford Centre is located in Stafford, Texas - just outside of Houston's southwest city limits (just outside Beltway 8).

1. South on US 59 past Beltway 8 (SW Corner)
2. West Airport Blvd/Kirkwood exit
3. Left onto West Airport Blvd.
4. Right onto Murphy Road
5. Left onto Cash Road



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April 28th

**Stafford Centre
10505 Cash Road
Stafford, Texas**

Saturday: 9 am to 5 pm

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www.ipms-houston.org

This Event shall be known as IPMS/Houston's Modelmania 2012, sanctioned by IPMS/USA. Modelmania 2012 is open to all modelers and the general public for participation. Membership in IPMS/USA or IPMS-Houston is not required, however, is encouraged.



JOINING IPMS-HOUSTON

Would you like to join IPMS-Houston? We welcome you. We are a group of people who enjoy building scale models of all types. Our club is open to all interested in modeling: automotive, aircraft, military vehicles, watercraft, figures, fictional (sci-fi / fantasy / horror), and dioramas. All ages are welcome. Come by one of our meetings as a guest to see what it is all about. Our meetings are held:

Dates:	2 nd Tuesday of each month
Place:	Tracy Gee Community Center 3599 Westcenter Dr (near intersection of Sam Houston Tollway & Westpark Tollway)
Time:	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Should you wish to become a member, the annual dues are a modest \$15.