

NJSFWC ACHIEVEMENT DAY CONTESTS

All entries must be pre-registered with the Arts and Culture District Chairman, no later than two weeks prior to the District Achievement Day. Contact the Arts and Culture District Chairman to determine the pre-registration deadline for your district. **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THEY HAVE BEEN PRE-REGISTERED.**

- All entries must be the work of the clubwomen.
- Entry must be completed within the past year. Entry may not have been entered in a previous Federation contest.
- Only **ONE** entry per clubwoman in each category or sub-category.
- Each entry must be labeled with member's name and address, club and district, category and sub-category.
- All entries must be accompanied with the current registration form.
- Entries will be handled with care; but are entered at owner's risk.
- Items may not be removed from exhibit area prior to check-out time.
- No copies, no kits, no pairs, or sets, except where noted.
- No stands except where noted.
- All measurements refer to greater dimension (Except circumference).

DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE ALWAYS FINAL.
ALL GRAND RIBBON WINNERS AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL ARE EXPECTED TO BE ENTERED AT THE NJSFWC CONVENTION.

AWARDS

THE AWARDS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Grand Prize - Gold Ribbon and Certificate
First Place - Blue Ribbon and Certificate
Second Place - Certificate
Third Place - Certificate

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING AWARDS:

This rule applies to all Levels of experience: There may be only **one Grand Award** in each category/sub-category level. There may not be a Grand Award in every category. (EXCEPTION: At the District Achievement Days, if possible, there will be a Grand Award in every beginner level category/sub-category). There can be **multiple First, Second and Third Place awards** in each category/sub-category.

LEVELS OR CLASSES OF ENTRIES IN ALL CATEGORIES

IF THE CLUB MEMBER HAS: THEN THEY ARE CLASSIFIED AS:
Up to three years in the medium BEGINNER*
More than three years in the medium
OR Prior State GRAND Prize Awards(s)-Gold Ribbon
in the same category as the current entry ADVANCED
Sold their work for income or teaches the craft professionally PROFESSIONAL

***VERY IMPORTANT: IF YOU HAVE BEEN USING A SPECIFIC MEDIUM FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS EVEN THOUGH YOU NEVER SUBMITTED THE CURRENT ENTRY, YOU ARE ADVANCED, NOT A BEGINNER.**

EXAMPLE: IF YOU HAVE BEEN KNITTING FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS, ALTHOUGH YOU MAY HAVE NEVER SUBMITTED A SCARF, YOU ARE STILL NOT A BEGINNER, YOU ARE ADVANCED.

THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA WILL BE USED FOR JUDGING

CRITERIA DESCRIPTION

Composition The arrangement and proper proportion/relation of artistic form.

Craftsmanship The appropriate use of materials and techniques.

Creativity The use of originality, expression and imaginative skill.

Flavor/Texture Successful baking qualities. The baking must be tasteful and combined with appropriate texture.

Technical The use of color, shading, proportion, etc.

Workmanship The appropriate use of fabric, yarn, etc.; the quality of stitching.

ALL JUDGES FOR DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT DAYS AND STATE CONVENTION ARE PROFESSIONAL, EXPERIENCED PEOPLE IN THEIR FIELD; THEREFORE, THEY WILL JUDGE THE ENTRY ON A PROFESSIONAL BASIS.

ALTHOUGH WE WILL TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION TO SAFEGUARD YOUR ENTRIES, PLEASE NOTE THAT NJSFWC ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST, STOLEN, OR DAMAGED ITEMS. ENTER AT YOUR OWN RISK