

# The Doll Dreamer's Showcase/Challenge

## CHALLENGE CATEGORIES

**Reproduction:** This category includes any doll that is done in similar style to the original Expressions design.

**Portrait:** Doll is made to look like a real person. Please include a photo of person the doll was made to represent.

**Interpretation:** Dollmaker may change the doll in any way, including arm or leg position by using another Expressions doll mold or by manipulating the clay while in the leather stage, adding on or changing facial structure, etc.

**Fantasy:** As in Interpretation, except that the doll is created to represent a fantasy figure, such as a fairy, clown, fairy tale character, elf, animal, mythical or sci-fi type figure.

**Costume Only:** This category has been added to encourage those who are interested in speciality of costuming. Entries will be judged on costume only.

## AWARDS SYSTEM

Entries will be evaluated in terms of:

1. Creativity and Imagination
2. Overall Appeal
3. Quality of Workmanship
4. Skill and Technique

The goal of this showcase is to provide an educational experience for the participants. Awards are meant as an acknowledgment of excellence attained by the individual participant.

The critiques given by Dianna and the Guild instructors, either verbally or in writing, are meant to be constructive and helpful to the doll maker. Entrants may ask us for a further explanation of any critique comment. Entrants are encouraged to include any materials necessary, such as photos or written explanations, that may provide us with additional information as to why a particular technique or costume was used, or any other details about the doll.

The highest score above 95 points in each theme category will receive a Rosette.

Trophies will be awarded based on the highest score of 95 or above for the Best of Show. Entries scoring above 95 points will receive a rosette. A trophy may be awarded to one entry for a high score and excellence in all aspects.

## CHALLENGE RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1: All dolls must be made using Expressions molds.
- 2: All entries must be the work of the entrant. Collaborative works ( i.e. entries done by a doll maker and costumer "team") are permitted.
- 3: In the apprentice and hobbyist member classification the doll's eyes must be painted according to DEEP Technique. In the non-member classification the eyes can be set in.
- 4: Entries in the Challenge may be the work of guild members, guild apprentices and non-members. Please enter the appropriate class. See Classifications below.
- 5: Maximum doll and/or prop height: 28 inches. Display not to exceed 8" x 8" base.
- 6: Incise or permanently mark the back of dolls head with your name and date. Please conceal the name with a piece of masking tape.
- 7: Stands must be secure and props securely attached.
- 8: Please give credit on ID tags to the costume maker if different from the entrant.
- 9: All participants are responsible for their own insurance on their dolls. The hosting organization, Dianna Effner Porcelain Dolls, or the hosting show are not liable for any loss or damage to the dolls entered in The Doll Dreamers Showcase/Challenge. Reasonable security measures will be taken during the entire competition and display of the dolls.

### Classifications:

- \_\_\_\_ DDG Member Hobbyist
- \_\_\_\_ DDG Member Apprentice
- \_\_\_\_ Non-Member Hobbyist
- \_\_\_\_ Non-Member Professional
- \_\_\_\_ Costume Specialist, Hobbyist
- \_\_\_\_ Costume Specialist, Professional

### Showcase:

- \_\_\_\_ Professional DDG Artisans
- \_\_\_\_ Professional DDG Costume Specialist