



48th Annual Midwestern Model Ships & Boats Contest & Display

May 16-18, 2025 *A Nautical Research Guild Associated Contest*

Categories

Category I: Scratch-Built Models

Models that did not originate from a kit. Kit and commercial parts may be used on the model, but more than half of the model, including the hull, must be fabricated by the modeler. All media.

- Class A: Vessels at $3/32'' = 1$ foot scale or smaller
- Class B: Vessels larger than $3/32'' = 1$ foot

Category II: Kit Models

Models based on commercial kits or hulls with or without the addition of scratch-built parts. This includes kit models that have been modified from the original instructions and models with half the materials composed of commercial fittings.

- Class A: Wood, ivory, bone, and metal.
- Class B: Plastic, resins, and fiberglass.

Category III: Paper Models

- Class A: Scratch-Built Models
 - Models that did not originate from a kit. Kit parts may be used in the model, but more than half of the model, including the hull, must be fabricated by the modeler.
- Class B: Kit Models
 - Models based on published kits, either printed or downloadable, with or without the addition of scratch-built parts. This includes kit models that have been modified from the original publications including recoloring or rescaling and models with half of the materials composed of commercial fittings.

Category IV: Operational Models

Entries are judged on workmanship and modeling standards. The quality of operational installations will be considered.

Category V: Dioramas

The display must tell a story. Ships-in-bottles will be considered.

Category VI: Nautical Crafts

Models of maritime items such as cannon, anchors, figureheads, ship decorations, maritime carvings (fish, mythological sea serpents, marine animals, waterfowl) or crafts made from nautical materials. Models that do not fit Categories I through IV may be included in this group.