

Display Guidelines

The Archaeological Society of Ohio (ASO) judges and evaluates displays at each state meeting. We give out awards based on standards and preferences. Judging is carried out by members of the ASO.

Categories (no intended order and probable)

1. Educational
2. Quality of material displayed.
3. Personal finds.
4. Meeting theme related.
5. Chapter competition.

Rules

1. Each display must be by a current member of the ASO.
 2. Judged winners will be awarded ribbons from the ASO.
 3. Judging is done between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. during the meeting.
 4. Artifacts must be from Ohio or adjoining states (Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.) to be considered.
 5. To insure you are included for judging, we provide entrant identification.
 6. This competition is for display items only.
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Field Find Contest Rules

Categories (7)

- Flint Projectile Point (Notched, Unnotched, Lanceolate, Triangular...
- Flint Tool (Knife, Drill, Scraper, Blade ...)
- Ground Stone Tool (Ax, Celt, Pestle, Mortar, Chisel, Utilitarian Object ...)
- Pendant or Gorget (One or multiple holed flat slate, hardstone or shell)
- Bannerstone (drilled and undrilled)
- Miscellaneous (Birdstone, Plummets, Cone, Bar Amulet, Trophy Ax, Pipe, or any piece not included in the above categories)
- Children

Rules

1. Each entrant must be a member of The Archaeological Society of Ohio (ASO).
2. Every artifact entered must be personally found by the entrant since the last regular meeting.
3. Only one item can be entered in each category (a cache is considered one item).
4. Restored artifacts must be plainly marked with extent of restoration detailed.
5. Awards will be presented for first and second place in each category.
6. Contest begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 10:00 a.m.
7. Artifacts must be found in Ohio or adjoining states. (Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia or Pennsylvania.)

Field Find Championship Competition-The Best of the Year

1. "BEST OF THE YEAR" field found contest will be held at the January meeting.
2. Only the first place winners in each category of the previous year's regular meetings are eligible to enter.
3. This competition is in addition to the regular contest.
4. Entrant must be original finder and previous entrant.
5. The judged winner in each category will awarded a plaque.

Children field find contest

1. Entrant must be an ASO member or child of an ASO member.
2. Only children 13 and younger are eligible.
3. Any artifact can be entered, no categories.
4. Artifacts must have been personally found since the last regular meeting.
5. All entrants will be honored.

Note: The Field Find Contest is done on the honor system. Any member determined to have violated the personally found rule may be subject to removal from the Society. Only judges and contest officials permitted behind tables. No one permitted to handle entries except judges, contestant/owner and contest official.

Best Ever Contest Rules

This contest is held yearly at the March State Meeting. A plaque will be awarded to the winners of each category. Once your piece has won it is retired from this competition.

Categories (6)

- Flint Projectile Point (Notched, Unnotched, Lanceolate, Triangular)
- Flint Tool (Knife, Drill, Scraper, Blade)
- Ground Stone Tool (Ax, Celt, Pestle, Mortar, Chisel, Utilitarian Object)
- Pendant or Gorget (One or multiple holed flat slate, hardstone or shell)
- Bannerstone (drilled and undrilled)
- Miscellaneous (Birdstone, Plummets, Cone, Bar Amulet, Trophy Ax, Pipe, or any piece not included in the above categories)

Rules

1. Each entrant must be a member of the Archaeological Society of Ohio (ASO).
2. Every artifact entered must be personally found by the entrant.
3. Only one item can be entered in each category (a cache is considered one item).
4. Restored artifacts must be plainly marked with extent of restoration detailed.
5. The judged winner in each category will be awarded a plaque. Winners are automatically retired.
6. Contest begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 10:00 a.m.
7. Artifacts must be found in Ohio or adjoining states. (Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia or Pennsylvania.)

Note: The Best Ever Contest is done on the honor system. Any member determined to have violated the personally found rule may be subject to removal from the Society. Only judges and contest officials permitted behind tables. No one permitted to handle entries except judges, contestant/owner and contest official.