

Designer of the Year

- The number of contestants must not exceed 24. Contestants will be determined by the order in which their entry form is received by the Competition Chairman.
- Contestants may not use any materials or supplies other than what is provided at the time of the competition. Only fresh flowers and foliages, dried and natural materials will be allowed.
- There will be three categories of design. Sympathy Design, Wedding Design, and Designer's Choice Design to include 2 surprise package elements chosen by the DoY winner from the previous year . The Chairman or Co-Chairman may suggest changes in any category, or make other basic changes with the approval of the President or Executive Board.
- The Designer of the Year time limits will be as follows:
 - Sympathy Design 30 minutes
 - Wedding Design 30 minutes
 - Designer's Choice (to include two surprise package items) 30 minutes
- An optional five minute break may be given in between each category at the discretion of the Competition Chairman or at the request of the contestants.
- Contestants may not discuss their work during the competition and may not ask for assistance of any kind except from the Competition Chairman or Co-Chairman.
- There will be a First Place Winner and a First and Second Runner up, (Second and Third place), in this competition. Once a contestant wins first place, they may not re-enter the competition in successive years. All other contestants may re-enter the competition in successive years until they win First place.
- Trophies will be awarded for the First Place Winner, First Runner Up (Second place), and Second Runner Up (Third place).
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Technical Execution and Mechanics category.
- If the First Place Winner should, for any reason, relinquish their title of NC State Designer of the Year, the First Runner Up (Second Place) will represent the NCSFA at any required events. If the First Runner Up (Second Place) is unable to represent the NCSFA, the Second Runner Up (Third Place) will be entitled to do so. If they are unable to fulfill these duties, a qualified and appropriate substitute will be appointed to represent the NCSFA by the Executive Board.
- The North Carolina Designer of the Year will receive a check for \$250.00.
- The Competition Chairman and Rules/Policy Chairman may disqualify

any contestant that breaks the rules.

- In case of extenuating circumstances such as an emergency situation, requiring the sudden withdrawal from the mandatory briefing, or due to any conditions beyond control, the contestant will NOT be allowed to compete after the competition has begun.
- Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.

Jim Treadaway Cup

- The Jim Treadaway AIFD, NC Cup is an Interpretive Design competition.
- A 4' x 4' square will be marked on the floor in each contestant's space. The completed design must fit within these dimensions. Any part of a design, including electrical, exceeding these perimeters will be disqualified. There is no height restriction unless otherwise specified by the Competition Chairman.
- Each contestant will interpret the same artwork selected by the Competition Chairman. A 5" x 7" color copy of the artwork will be sent to all entrants and must be mounted on foam core or poster board the exact size of the 5" x 7" print which will be displayed inside the 4' x 4' square upon completion of the competition.
- A 3" x 5" index card with the contestant's **TYPED** description of their interpretation must also be placed inside the 4' x 4' square upon completion of the competition.
- There will be no monetary limits for fresh flowers and foliage, props, or mechanics.
- Contestants may choose to bring flowers pre-cut to desired lengths in holding containers, or bunched products in buckets for their design. However, NO design insertions will be allowed prior to the start of the competition.
- Contestants may have assistance carrying materials, props, etc. to the competition area prior to the beginning of the competition. There will be no verbal or physical assistance allowed after the competition begins.
- Contestants will be responsible for having their designs completed with all components placed within their square, and surrounding area cleaned within the time limits of the competition. All design must be done on site.

- The NC Jim Treadaway Cup competition time limits are the following:
 - Mandatory Briefing 30 minutes
 - Design Time 2 hours
 - Clean up 30 minutes
- Contestants should read carefully and thoroughly understand all rules and procedures. Failure to comply with any portion of the rules provided, will result in disqualification.
- Observers will be required to remain outside of the competition area. These perimeters will be determined by the Competition Chairman, with regards to the location of the competition within the venue.
- The NC Jim Treadaway Cup Competition will be on display in the designated area during the convention and may be viewed by the public.
- Criteria for judging will be the enhancement of artwork or setting, depending on the location of the competition. The principles and elements of design with emphasis on scale, color, harmony, design interpretation and mechanics.
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Technical Execution and Mechanics category.
- Awards will be presented for the NC Jim Treadaway Cup Winner and Honorable mention. Permanent trophies will be given to the previous Winner and to the Honorable Mention Winner. The traveling NC Jim Treadaway Cup will be presented to the Winner to keep for one year. They will also be awarded a \$1000.00 cash prize, generously donated by Claudia Treadaway, along with the artwork purchased by the NCSFA.
- Anyone winning this award will be eligible to compete in successive years. Anyone who wins three years will be designated to the NC Jim Treadaway Cup Hall of Fame and their name will be listed on the Cup under Hall of Fame Inductees. They may enter the competition for the next two years as the NC Jim Treadaway Hall of Fame recipient, but will be ineligible to win. However, the third year, they will be able to enter the competition again and will be eligible to win. All other contestants may compete in successive years.
- Contestants will be responsible for removing their designs by the designated time given by the Competition Chairman. Failure to do so may relinquish their eligibility to compete the next year. All design products used must consist only of fresh flowers and foliage with dried materials.

Dried materials should not exceed 10% of the design. No silk product will be allowed.

- The Competition Chairman and Rules/Policy Chair may disqualify any contestant that breaks any of the rules

Sweetheart Table

- Only fresh flowers and foliage, dried and natural materials or a combination of these may be used.
- Centerpieces must be functional and not interfere with place settings, condiments or other items on the table. Must be able to see over, under or through the design without visual or communication interference.
- Centerpieces must adhere to the theme of the convention, or specified theme provided by the Competition Chairman.
- Contestants will provide their own flowers, materials, props and accessories for this competition. There is NO price limit on any of these items. All items used must be stable and physically secure at all times.
- The Chairperson will advise all competitors of table size that the convention host has available. A 3-4 foot round would be ideal. Contestants will have access to standard hotel linens, china, glass and flatware. Contestants are allowed to supply their own linen, place settings, chairs and napkins.
- . In case of extenuating circumstances, requiring the sudden withdrawal from the mandatory briefing, or due to any conditions beyond control, the contestant will NOT be allowed to compete after the competition has begun.
- The Competition Chairman and the Rules/Policy Chair may disqualify any contestant that breaks any of the rules.
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Theme category.
- Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.
- Trophies will be awarded for the First Place Winner and First Runner Up.

Miniature

- Designs may be constructed of fresh, dried and natural materials, permanent botanicals or a combination of any items.
- There may be only one entry per person.

- The completed design must be no larger than 5" x 5" x 5" (length X width x height). Any part of a design exceeding these perimeters will be disqualified.
- Entries must adhere to the theme of the convention, or theme provided by the Competition Chairman.
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- The Competition Chairman and the Rules/Policy Chair may disqualify any contestant that breaks any of the rules.
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Technical Execution and Mechanics category.
- Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.
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Boutonniere

- The number of contestants must not exceed 15. Contestants will be determined by the order in which their entry form is received by the Competition Chairman. This competition is intended for novice designers.
- Boutonnieres may consist of fresh flowers/foilage, dried/natural materials, and/or permanent botanicals
- Boutonnieres must be consistent with the theme of the convention, or any specified theme given by the Competition Chairman.
- Boutonnieres will be worn by Professional models provided by the association.
- Boutonnieres must be appropriate and in good taste. The Competition Chairman will verify each entry.
- A written description must accompany each entry clarifying the materials used and how it is to be worn **for judging purposes**.
- Multiple designers from the same company may enter
- The Designer must be present at the designated time for the dress rehearsal. The Competition Chairman and/or Association President with approval from the Judging Chairman will notify of the designated time and place for preliminary activities.
- Nothing may be changed or added after the Boutonnieres have been judged.

- Each contestant must provide a typed, double-spaced, 18pt font, description of no more than 50 words to be read during the runway show
- In case of extenuating circumstances such as an emergency situation, requiring the sudden withdrawal from the mandatory briefing, or due to any conditions beyond control, the contestant will NOT be allowed to compete after the competition has begun.
- If timing and venue space permits and contestants so choose, Boutonnieres may be put on display in designated area for designated time period.
- The Competition Chairman and Rules/Policy Chair may disqualify any contestant that breaks any of the rules
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Theme category. Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.
- Trophies will be awarded for the First Place Winner and First Runner Up.

Bridal Bouquet

- Bridal Bouquets may consist of fresh flowers/foilage, dried/natural materials, and/or permanent botanicals. There are no limits to the style of bouquet unless specified by the Competition Chairman and Rules and Policy Chairman
- There may be only one entry per person.
- Contestants must provide a physically stable and secure means of displaying bouquets in a professional manner, such as a type of vessel or bouquet stand.
- There is no set theme for this competition unless specified by the Competition Chairman, Rules and Policy Chairman, AND Association President.
- Bridal Bouquets will be modeled in a runway show by professional models provided by the association.
- The designer must be present at the designated time for the dress rehearsal. The Competition Chairman and/or Association President with approval from the Judging Chairman will notify contestants of the designated time and place for preliminary activities.
- Nothing may be changed or added after the Bouquet has been judged.

- Each contestant must provide a typed, double-spaced, 18pt font, description of no more than 50 words to be read during the runway show
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Technical Execution and Mechanics category.
- In case of extenuating circumstances such as an emergency situation, requiring the sudden withdrawal from the mandatory briefing, or due to any conditions beyond control, the contestant will NOT be allowed to compete after the competition has begun.
- Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.
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Headdress:

- The number of contestants must not exceed 15. Contestants will be determined by the order in which their entry form is received by the Competition Chairman. This competition is intended for novice designers.
- Headdresses may consist of fresh flowers/foilage, dried/natural materials, and/or permanent botanicals
- Headdresses must be consistent with the theme of the convention
- Headdresses will be worn by professional models provided by the association.
- Headdresses must not exceed more than Three feet above the head or outward in diameter.
- Headdresses must not weigh more than 10 pounds. Neck braces will not be allowed.
- A written description must accompany each entry clarifying the materials used and how it is to be worn for judging purposes.
- Contestants must provide a stand in which to display headdresses for preliminary judging. Contestants may NOT be present for preliminary judging.
- Contestants will be given a number by the Competition Chairman for judging.
- Multiple designers from the same company may enter the Headdress competition. Designer must be present at the designated time for the dress rehearsal. The Competition Chairman and/or Association President with approval from the Judging Chairman will notify of the designated time and place for preliminary activities
- Nothing may be changed or added after the Headdress has been

judged.

- Each contestant must provide a typed, double-spaced, 18pt font, description of no more than 50 words to be read during the runway show
- In case of extenuating circumstances such as an emergency situation, requiring the sudden withdrawal from the mandatory briefing, or due to any conditions beyond control, the contestant will NOT be allowed to compete after the competition has begun.
- If timing and venue space permits and contestants so choose, Headdresses may be put on display in designated area for designated time period.
- The Competition Chairman and Rules/Policy Chair may disqualify any contestant that breaks any of the rules.
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Technical Execution and Mechanics category.
- Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.
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Body Flowers

- The number of contestants must not exceed 15. Contestants will be determined by the order in which their entry form is received by the Competition Chairman. This competition is intended for novice designers.
- Body Flowers may consist of fresh flowers/foilage, dried/natural materials, and/or permanent botanicals
- Body Flowers must be consistent with the theme of the convention.
- Body Flowers may be worn by one person, male or female, and must be worn without assistance. No back or neck braces allowed.
- Body Flowers must be appropriate and in good taste. The Competition Chairman will verify each entry.
- A written description must accompany each entry clarifying the materials used and how it is to be worn for judging purposes
- Contestants must display Body Flowers for preliminary judging. Contestants may NOT be present for Preliminary judging.
- Preliminary judging sheets will be held by the Judging Chairman until the time for the stage presentations.
- Multiple designers from the same company may enter the Headdress competition.
- Designer must be present at the designated time for the dress rehearsal.

The Competition Chairman and/or Association President with approval from the Judging Chairman will notify of the designated time and place for preliminary activities

- Nothing may be changed or added after the Body Flowers have been judged.
- Each contestant must provide a typed, double-spaced, 18pt font, description of no more than 50 words to be read during the runway show
- In case of extenuating circumstances such as an emergency situation, requiring the sudden withdrawal from the mandatory briefing, or due to any conditions beyond control, the contestant will NOT be allowed to compete after the competition has begun.
- If timing and venue space permits and contestants so choose, Body Flowers may be put on display in designated area for designated time period.
- The Competition Chairman and Rules/Policy Chair may disqualify any contestant that breaks any of the rules.
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual contestant's score in the Technical Execution and Mechanics category.
- Three qualified, impartial judges will be selected by the Judging Chairman. There will be at least one AIFD designer, two past Designer of the Year winners or NC Jim Treadaway Cup winners, or two judges who have participated on at least two wholesale or wire service affiliated panels. These judges may also be AIFD. There should be three alternative judges appointed for this competition.
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