

# Falcon Tor Arts and Science Guidelines

The purpose of this document is to describe Arts and Science Competition requirements for entry and judging. Entries will be scored out of five points. There will be not less than five judges. For qualification purposes and average of three is needed across the require categories for the office attempted. In order for an entry to be judged and obtain the highest score, the judges must understand what the artisan was attempting accomplish. Remember that the judges are trying to give a score that reflects the work. This means that each entry should have a minimal level of **documentation**.

**Documentation will increase the starting value an entry can be scored from. Documented entries will be scored from five; undocumented (or very poorly documented) entries will be scored from four.**

As an example how this scoring system would affect any entry, lets look at the banner listed in the examples below. If the banner were perfect and flawless it would normally score a five. This would ONLY be the case if the banner included minimal documentation; otherwise the best it could score would be four. Let's look again at the banner listed below. If the banner was not perfect and had a major flaw it would normally score three. Again this would only be the case if the banner included minimal documentation; otherwise it would score a two.

A minimal level of documentation would include the following:

- Category
- Title
- Award levels
- Garber
- Smith
- Owl
- Dragon
- Is the entry your First Entry in the Category?
- Percent work? If not 100%, what did you do/not do?
- Completion time
- Description
- Purpose
- Construction Methods

The documentation must to be **readable**; it should be typed or **neatly** written. 3x5 cards are an expectable medium to present your documentation.

## Notes about what to do and what not to do

- **Keep all food items at proper temperature!** “Food poisoning is period but as welcome as the plague.”
- **Food entries should always include the ingredients and service ware for six (6).**

- **Writing entries should always include six (6) copies.**
- Writing entries are strongly encouraged to have references listed.
- Your entries will tend to score higher if the item has not been used. Remember your entries are being judged based on effectiveness with in the category chosen.
- An unused item will look better and most likely draw a higher score!
- Weapon and shields **MUST** be field legal, **NO** weapon or shield will be allowed in the competition that are not field legal.

## Example Documentation

Category Rose

Title: Falcon Tor Banner

Award Levels:

Rose 2

Dragon 1

Garber 0

Smith 0

Owl 0

Lion 1

First Entry: Yes

Percent Work: 90

I did all work with the exception of the satin stitching of the falcon and fleur di lis.

Completion Time: 2 Hours

Description Blue and gold banner representing the heraldic device of the Shire of Falcon Tor.

Purpose: Being a new group, we are in need of flags and banner. This banner is a gift to the Shire and is intended to serve as the Shire banner.

Construction Methods: Blue and gold cotton duck cloth was used for the front and device, lighter cotton was use for the back. The seams are hidden using a pillow technique. The appliqué is done using a close satin stitch. The piece was sewn with a sewing machine.

Category: Cooking\Brewing - Main

Title: Meat Pie

Award Levels:

Rose 2

Dragon 1

Garber 0

Smith 0

Owl 0

Lion 1

First Entry: Yes

Percent Work: 100

Completion Time: 10 Hours (including cooking and preparation)

Description: Meat pie

Purpose This dish is intended to be the main remove of a several remove feast.

Construction Methods The pie contained the follow ingredients:

Beef Pork Pie shell

Chicken egg yolks meat broth

wine dates currants

raisins walnuts cheese

salt pepper ginger

allspice cinnamon nutmeg

## Arts and Sciences Categories

### ***Cooking/Brewing:***

- **Appetizer:** A dish intended to be served as an appetizer.
- **Main:** Course: A dish intended to be served as a main course.
- **Dessert:** A dish intended to be served as a dessert.
- **Vintners:** A drink that was brewed or fermented. Mixed drinks are not considered brewed or fermented.
- **Other:** A dish or drink that does not fit into any other category.

### ***Writing:***

- **Factual:** Writing that presents information such as a process, event or research of some kind. Examples would be weapon smithing instructions, a recounting of an Amtgard event or a history of the Mongols. When presenting researched information, it is a good idea to site references and give credit.
- **Fictional:** Writing that is not intended to be factual such as persona histories and stories.
- **Poetry:** Poetic verse.
- **Publications:** Published works such as newsletters, books, collections of articles, etc. These entries are judges on the editorial content only, such as presentation, suitability of the collection, format, etc. It is not necessary that the entrant have written every article. However, articles should never be published without the author's consent and credit should be given. Any work not done by the entrant should be noted.

### ***Bardic:***

- **Singing:** A vocal presentation with some expectation of rhythm and pitch.
- **Oratory:** A vocal presentation with no expectation of rhythm or pitch; i.e. Storytelling, jokes and theatrical pieces.
- **Instrumental:** A musical presentation performed on an instrument with some expectation of rhythm and pitch.
- **Dance:** A presentation of bodily movement with some expectation of rhythm.

### ***Art:***

- **2-D Art:** Art intended to be viewed from only one side such as drawings, paintings, stained glass, relief carving, computer graphics, etc.
- **3-D Art:** Art intended to be viewed from at least three sides such as sculptures, painted miniatures, stuffed animals, blown glass, etc. *People often enter things into the category that would do better in Passive Construction. 3-D art is judged primarily on artistic presentation; Passive Construction is judged primarily on construction. A stained glass box would go into either 3-D Art of Passive Construction depending on what the entrant wanted to focus.*
- **Photography:** Art created by taking a picture. Digital images that are mostly photographic would also fit into this category.
- **Heraldic Display:** Heraldic display in any medium.

### ***Garbing:***

- **Fighting:** A major item of garb intended to be worn in battle such as tunics, pants, tabards, shirts, etc.
- **Court:** A major item of garb not intended to be worn in battle such as dresses, doublets, cloaks, etc.
- **Monster:** A major item of garb that would qualify as garb for a monster in the Amtgard Rulebook.
- **Favor:** A garb accessory intended to be worn on one's belt.
- **Jewelry:** A garb accessory intended to wear as jewelry such as crowns, coronets, necklaces, bracelets, rings, etc.
- **Accessory:** A minor item of garb such as hats, belts, shoes, bracers, etc. that would not fit into another category.

### ***Construction:***

- **Passive:** Something not intended to go onto the battlefield such as boxes, steel weapons, decorative wooden weapons, stuffed animals, etc. This is a category for constructed items that would not fit into another category.
- **Active:** Something intended to be used on the battlefield such as ballistae, bows, fighting wands or throwing mugs. This is a generic category for things that would not fit into armor, weapon, or shield construction yet are still intended for rough battlefield use.
- **Armor:** Something that would qualify as armor by the rulebook standards in Amtgard such as padded armor, chain mail, brigantine, greaves, thigh plates, helmets (although they would not actually count as armor), etc.
- **Weapon:** Something that would qualify as a weapon by the rulebook standards in Amtgard such as sword, spear, arrows, rocks, throwing daggers, madu, etc.
- **Shield:** Something that would qualify as a shield by rulebook standards in Amtgard.
- **Banner:** Something intended to be used as a banner and judged on construction and appearance.
- **Other:** Something with a medieval basis that does not fit into the above categories.

**Rose:** Entries for the enhancement and education of the club, and donated to the club. Said item(s) are to be given to the Champion for safekeeping/storage *if they are accepted by the current monarchy* on the day of Qualifications.