ModelZona 2026

Sponsored Categories

Aircraft		Scale	Sponsored By
100	Biplanes and all other fabric covered or rigged*	All Scales	Sonoran Desert Model Builders
110	Single Engine Prop*	1/72	Steve Collins
115	Single Engine Prop*	1/48	Alan Martel
120	Multi Engine Prop*	1/72	Hugh A Bruce
125	Multi Engine Prop*	1/48	Craig Brown
130	Small Jet (Not exceeding 8.5 inches in length or wingspan)*	1/72	Hugh A Bruce
135	Small Jet (Not exceeding 13.9 inches in length or wingspan)*	1/48	
140	Large Jet (Exceeding 8.5 inches in length or wingspan)*	1/72	
145	Large Jet (Exceeding 13.9 inches in length or wingspan)*	1/48	Jim Clark
150	Prop Driven*	1/32 & Larger	
160	Jet*	1/32 & Larger	
170	Small scale Aircraft*	1/100 & Smaller	In Memory of Jim Pearsall
180	Rotary Wing	All Scales	
190	Vacuforms, Conversions and all Scratchbuilt, all subject types	All Scales	Gary and Melynda Thomas
Military Vehicles		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
200	Wheeled AFVs through 1945*	1/35	Torco Oils/TNT Distributing
205	Tracked AFVs through 1945*	1/35	AZ AMPS
210	Wheeled AFVs from 1946 to present*	1/35	
215	Tracked AFVs from 1946 to present*	1/35	Sonoran Desert Model Builders
220	Half-tracks and Soft-skins*	1/35	
230	All Armor, All Subjects and types*	1/48	Dr Michael McFadden
240	Small Scale Armor, All subjects and types*	1/72	John Lewis
250	Vacuforms, Conversions & Scratchbuilt, all subjects and types	All Scales	Michael Tsoumpas
260	Large Scale AFV / Armor / Wheeled	1/16 & Larger	Andy's Hobby Headquarters
Ships		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
300	Surface Ships*	1/700	Grand Prix Reproductions
305	Surface Ships*	1/350 & Larger	Dr Michael McFadden
310	Submarines*	All Scales	Mike Hinderliter
Automotive		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
400	Factory Stock / Production*	1/20 to 1/25	BG's Model Workshop
410	Street Rods and Street Machines (1948 and Older Body)*	1/20 to 1/25	BG's Model Workshop
415	Street Rods and Street Machines (1949 and Newer Body)*	1/20 to 1/25	White Tanks Hobbies
420	Competition, Straight Line*	1/20 to 1/25	Tumbleweed Fleet
425	Competition, Closed Circuit*	1/20 to 1/25	Hobby Depot
430	Commercial*	1/20 to 1/25	Dr. Michael McFadden
450	Custom, Tuners, Lowriders (including Conversions & Scratchbuilt)	1/20 to 1/25	JWC II Collectibles, LLC
460	Small Scale, All Types*	1/26 & Smaller	Torco Oils/TNT Distributing
465	Large Scale, All Types*	1/19 & Larger	Hobby Depot
470	Other Vehicular Subjects (Motorcycles, etc.), All Eras*	All Scales	JWC II Collectibles, LLC
Spacecraft		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
500	Real Space (All subjects and types)	All Scales	Space In Miniature
505	Science Fiction and Fantasy/Mecha (All subjects and types)	All Scales	Rhino's Hobby Tools/ Rare-Plane Detective
510	Gundam	All Entries	Rhino's Hobby Tools/ Rare-Plane Detective

Figures		Scale	Sponsored By
600	Dismounted and Mounted	53mm & Smaller	**Mike Pabis**
620	Dismounted and Mounted	54mm & Larger	**Mike Pabis**
630	Science Fiction and Fantasy, All Subjects and Types (Figures)	All Scales	**Bill Dunkle**
650	Busts (All Subjects and Types)	All Scales	**Keenan Chittester**
Dioramas		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
700	Aircraft Dioramas	All Scales	**Stewart Locomotive Works**
710	Military Vehicle Dioramas	All Scales	**M Easson**
720	Figure Dioramas and Vignettes	All Scales	**Mike Pabis**
730	Miscellaneous Dioramas	All Scales	**Rick Leonard/Wayne Husted**
Miscellaneous		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
800	Miscellaneous (Any subject not provided for in any other category, including dinosaurs)*	All Scales	**Stewart Locomotive Works**
810	Hypothetical Kit-Based (Spurious markings on a standard kit) or Scratchbuilt or Kitbashed	All Scales	**Gary and Melynda Thomas**
Juniors (Entrants 17 years and younger)		**Scale**	**Sponsored By**
1100	Aircraft – All Subjects and Types*	All Scales	**Kevin D Henthorn**
1200	Vehicles – All Subjects and Types*	All Scales	**Kevin D Henthorn**
1700	Pre-Teen (12 and younger) All Subjects and Types*	All Scales	**Kevin D Henthorn**
1800	Miscellaneous – All Subjects and Types	All Scales	**Rhino's Hobby Tools/ Rare-Plane Detective**

Special Awards	Sponsored By
Judges Best In Show	**Michael Tsoumpas**
Spectator's Choice	**Hobby Depot**
Best Aircraft – Chuck Ludwig Memorial Award	**Hobby Depot**
Best Military Vehicle	**AZ AMPS**
Best Ship	**Dr Michael McFadden**
Best Automotive	**White Tanks Hobbies**
Best Real Space and Sci-Fi	**Rhino's Hobby Tools/Rare-Plane Detective**
Best Diorama	**Stewart Locomotive Works**
Best Figure	**Bill Dunkle**
Best Miscellaneous	
Best Junior	**Kevin D Henthorn**
Special Theme Awards	
Best Vought F4U Corsair	**TNT Distributing / TORCO Oils**
Dr. Raleigh Williams Craftsmanship Award	**Sonoran Desert Model Builders/IPMS Tucson AZ**
America's 250th Best American Subject with Red, White and Blue	**JWC II Collectibles, LLC**

***Categories with an (*) asterisk have Out of the Box awards. See Item 16 of the Rules for an explanation of OOB rules.**

Notes

Scales have been listed in the most common available. If an entrant has a model that is out of the norm then it will be placed in the category that most closely represents its nearest competitor.

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