Costume Contest Rules

(By Category)

Overarching rules: -No nudity/sexual themes -No extreme gore -No signs/items of clothing with profanity -No signs/items of clothing with political statements -No bladed weapons that are not peace tied -No launching anything (including yourself) into the audience -All costumes must be self contained (If you cannot bring it onstage for judging, it will not count towards your overall score)

Craftsmanship Category

-At least 65% of costume should to be made by the person entering -A person can model a costume made by another, but the maker must be present at judging to receive the award -Please be prepared to discuss the techniques and methods used in the creation of the costume

-Build books are encouraged

<u>This section will be judged solely on craftsmanship and techniques used in the creation</u> of a garment, as well as the execution of the final product.

Original Character Category

-Please have a backstory, name, and explanation of your character prepared -Be ready to explain how your costume reflects your character and their place in the Narnia universe

-If you made any parts of the costume, be prepared to tell us what and how you made it.

<u>This section will be judged partially based on the costume, partially on the story of the character and how you reflect that in the costume.</u>

<u>Character Look Alike Category</u> "Cosplay Category"

-Please have a photo or reference of what character you are attempting to replicate -Please be prepared to explain the process, techniques and methods used in creating your costume. -Please be prepared to discuss why you chose this character and why you chose to portray them as you have decided to. (le. 'Why this outfit?' 'Why at this age?' 'Why with this weapon?' Etc.)

This section will be judged on understanding of both the character and how close your recreation is to established material.

Group Costume Category

-Please have all members of your group present during judging.

-Please be prepared to explain the thought process behind why you chose who would dress as what.

-If there is a story or backstory to the group costume, please be prepared to share.
-Group costumes should not exceed 8 people. Please talk to event coordinators if your group exceeds this number limit.

This section will be judged on costume quality, creativity, and overall effort put into the group.

Judge's Choice

Judge's choice is a series of awards given out by judges for costumes that may not fit any specific category but are still considered outstanding.