

## KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF TAXIDERMY COMPETITION CATEGORIES

*COMMERCIAL	*SMALL LIFE-SIZE	*LARGE LIFE-SIZE	*FISH
*REPRODUCTIONS	*ALL AROUND	*COLLECTIVE ARTISTS	
*COMPETITORS	WATERFOWL	UPLAND GAME BIRDS	
TURKEY	WHITETAIL	HABITAT	
GAMEHEAD	REPTILES	ORIGINAL ART	

\***Commercial entries** will be judged five feet away; judges will be our own state master members; who will be selected at the show. Entries will receive a score sheet and be eligible for a People's Choice Commercial Division Award, but not eligible for major awards.

\***Small life-size mammal**, any mammal species (coyote adulthood size) size and smaller. (EX. Fawn deer would be in the large life-size & a coyote pup would be small life-size.)

\***Large life-size mammal**, any mammal species, at adulthood, larger than a coyote. (EX. Fawn deer would be in the large life-size & a coyote pup would be small life-size.)

\***Reproductions** Amateur and Professional fish reproductions can use commercial or self-made reproductions.

Masters reproductions MUST be a self-made reproduction.

\***All Around must consist of four different species; in four different categories:** (*Shoulder Mount - Whitetail or Game head, Bird, Fish, Reptile, & Life-size*); an average score of 80 must be obtained to be eligible to win.

\***Collective Artist** entries will be judged at the highest entry taxidermist level.

\***Competitors Award: This is open to Professional and Master levels of competitors.** Master Awards will be given for First, Second and Third place. Professional Awards will be given for First and Second place. First Place Award will be given to the highest total score for four (4) mounts. These mounts may all be in the same category or mixed categories. (Original art or habitat is not accepted). If you have any questions on how this award works, please contact one of our board members listed on the KAT directors page.

**State Champion** will go to the highest scoring Master mount in each category.

**Best of Kansas Award** will go to the highest scoring Professional mount in each category.

**Levels of competition include:** Amateur, Professional, Master, Collective Artists, and Commercial Division.

**Master Class:** Competitors compete at the competition level used in your home state.

**Special Youth Division:** Bring your nature artwork, form alterations, or other taxidermy pieces to the convention and enter them in the youth division. Each entry will receive an award. There is no fee to enter, so see what you can do. Come learn and have fun at the convention.

***Judges committee will decide all questions and will make final decisions.***

**Ribbons will be awarded based on the following point system:**

**FIRST 90 – 100**

**SECOND 80 – 89**

**THIRD 70 - 79**

### **ORIGINAL ART**

#### **RULES:**

1. Taxidermy Sculptures-Limited to manikins or clay sculptures made specifically for use in the taxidermy trade.
2. Bronzes or Castings-Limited to sculptures which have been cast in bronze or some other medium to create a finished piece of wildlife art.
3. Carvings-Limited to birds, fish, mammals and reptiles which have been wholly carved from wood or some other medium to create a finished piece of art.
4. Paintings-Limited to flat art only.
5. Reproductions-Limited to unfinished parts of mammals, fish, birds and reptiles, which have been molded directly for the actual species and reproduced in some type of casting material.

### **!!!!!! K.A.T. AUCTION !!!!!!**

*Each year, the K.A.T. holds a silent auction which closes at 1p.m. on Saturday, and a live auction after our banquet. This is the way we raise most of our money to fund our show. As in the past we will have donations given by various taxidermy companies. We will also have a variety of other merchandise collected by our Directors and other members from area merchants and individual contributors. You can, if you wish, also bring something of your own to donate to the auction.*