

# DOLL ARTISAN GUILD® COMPETITION



**International Doll Festival 2023  
LONDON, ENGLAND  
8-10 SEPTEMBER**

**SIGN UP  
EARLY!**

**Deadline:  
07 JULY 2023**

## GAIN RECOGNITION AND WIN AWARDS

Join us in England for this fabulous event as we gather together with our friends from Global Doll Society to have a wonderful time.



Enter your work in the Doll Artisan Guild Competition! Since 1977, the Doll Artisan Guild has encouraged dollmakers around the world. Please join us and share your art and creativity at this special event.

### ***DOLLS Beautiful Antique***

Best reproduction of antique dolls

### ***DOLLS Beautiful Modern***

Best modern doll

### ***Eva's Choice Award***

Best entry in Decorative Porcelain Arts and Half Dolls

### ***Femmy Toele Costuming Award***

***People's Choice***  
Antique and Modern

**Tribute to  
Dollmaking ♥**



Special NOTE:  
Doll tags and competition confirmation will be emailed to you. An EMAIL is required.

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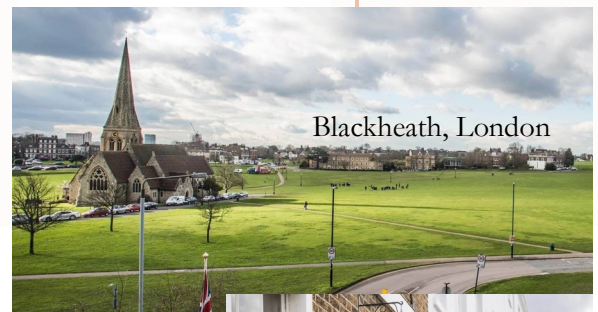
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## YOU ARE INVITED .....

- ◆ Top Award winners will receive their awards, and rosette winners will be honored at the awards ceremony.
- ◆ All entries will receive a ribbon.
- ◆ Entries are judged anonymously, and each entry will receive a score sheet (except the Tribute category)
- ◆ Entries will be exhibited during the event
- ◆ Top Award-winning entries will be featured in *DOLLS Beautiful*, the DAG member magazine.
- ◆ DAG Competition is open to DAG members and all full participants in the convention. Only DAG members can win Top Awards.



Blackheath, London



Clarendon Hotel



# Competition Categories



## Authentic Reproductions of Dolls, made before 1930

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|---|--|---|---|
| 1 | <u>Baby and Toddlers</u>                 | 6 | <u>Fashion &amp; Lady Dolls</u> (including Gibson, Rohmer, Huret) |
| 2 | <u>German Children with Glass eyes</u>   | 7 | <u>China &amp; Parian</u>   |
| 3 | <u>German Children with Painted eyes</u> | 8 | <u>Mechanicals</u> (including walking dolls)                      |
| 4 | <u>French Children, 20" and under</u>    | 9 | <u>Doll-House and All-Bisques</u> - up to 10" (25cm)              |
| 5 | <u>French Children, 20–31" (50-78cm)</u> |   |   |

## Open Categories *China paint as you wish. Scenes allowed.*

- 21 Fantasy Dolls\* (Paint and costume as you wish, using any head, modern or antique.)
- 22 Decorative Porcelain Art and Half Dolls (Masks, figurines, statuettes, eggs, brooches, ornaments, decorated shoulderheads, marottes, lace draping, box scenes, Jack-in-the-box, shoes, and more) Main part of the item must be porcelain and china painted. Accessories and decorations may be glued on. Entry must be incised.



## 23. Special Category: A Tribute to DOLLMAKING!

Let's celebrate our beloved hobby and our Dolly friends.

What has inspired you in this journey? What got you started? A French doll? All Bisque? A Baby? Modern dolls? A good friend? An Instructor/Teacher? A family member? What has made this hobby such a joy to participate in?

When did you begin?

What is the story of your first doll? What is your tribute to making dolls?

No Scoresheets.

All porcelain dolls/figurines welcome—no matter the year it was made.

Scenes allowed. Original dolls allowed. China paint as you wish.

Please include a note card to be displayed with your entry that includes the year you began making porcelain dolls.

**OPEN TO ALL DELEGATES. NO CHARGE FOR THIS CATEGORY BUT YOU MUST SIGN UP and RECEIVE A TAG VIA EMAIL.**

Entry may be incised or signed with permanent marker.

**ALL ENTRIES WILL RECEIVE THE SAME RIBBON FOR PARTICIPATING.**

**THE WINNER WILL BE CHOSEN BY A VOTE OF THE DELEGATES AT THE EVENT.**

**Modern Doll Artists' Dolls** *Re-create as you wish (note painting guidelines for DDP Category), including fairytale or fictional doll, using doll head sculpted after 1930. Appropriate body required.*

- 24 Modern Dolls under 18" (45cm)\*
- 25 Large Modern Dolls 18 - 31" (45 - 78cm)
- 26 Modern Dolls in Dimensional Doll Painting (DDP) with Painted Eyes (all types). Must have painted upper and lower lashes. No glue-on lashes. Porcelain hands are desirable. \*\*

**Costuming** *Costume-only is judged. Note card with information/inspiration/history of costume must be included.*

- 61 Costuming: Antique Authentic reproduction of Costume made before 1930
- 62 Costuming: Modern Costume 1930+

- ◆ All-bisque body allowed up to 18"(45cm)
- ◆ NOTE: Body made of approximately 80% porcelain or more will be considered "all-bisque" and doll size restricted as noted.





## Judging and Awards

Competition will be judged by teams of the Guild's experienced judges, and is a good opportunity to get a professional reading on your dollmaking skills, your strong and weak areas. The judges are doing their best, giving their professional opinions. The rules in a competition are for the judges to call the work as they see it. The judges' decision is final.

Each entry will receive the ribbon it deserves plus a score sheet (except the Tribute category).

Best blue ribbon entry in each Top Award category will receive a "Best in Category" rosette.

### TOP Awards

Rosette-winners in Reproduction Categories 1-10 will compete for The **DOLLS Beautiful—Antique award**

NOTE: IF MORE THAN 50 dolls registered in categories 1-10, The top award **Millie** may be awarded.

Rosette-winners in Modern Categories 24-26 will compete for The **DOLLS Beautiful—Modern award**.

NOTE: IF MORE THAN 30 dolls registered in categories 24—26 the top award **Magge** may be awarded.

Rosette winners in Open Categories 21 - 22 will compete for **Eva's Choice** award.

Special Rosette for **Tribute to Dollmaking** best entry in category 23.

Rosette winners in Costuming-Only Categories 61-62 will compete for the **Femmy Toele Costume Award**

If a top award winner from a previous competition is chosen to receive the same award again, the winner will receive a **Special Gold Rosette**. Each DAG top award may only be won once.

**People's Choice Rosette.** Full participants in the event will vote for one modern and one authentic reproduction entry of their choice in any category. The entries with the most votes at the time of counting determined by the DAG representative.

**Contestants are committed to help out** for a period of one hour where assistance is needed; such as guarding the exhibit during voting or in the event we must move dolls. We will need your help.

Each contestant accepts that his/her entry will be **photographed** by Doll Artisan Guild. The right to publish and use these photos belongs to the Doll Artisan Guild.

Please understand the importance of following all rules here and in the separate booklet:

### General Rules and Information 2023

It will make the judging easier and you will avoid losing points unnecessarily.

## DAG SCHOOL OF DOLLMAKING (DAGSD) TITLES

### DAG Master of Dollmaking:

**Classic:** This title requires that you win at least a red ribbon in any qualified authentic reproduction category.

**Modern:** This title requires that you win at least a red ribbon in the category for Modern Dolls in Dimensional Doll Painting (DDP) with Painted Eyes.

You must make the dress and underwear for the doll yourself and sign a DAGSD affidavit to this effect. See Sign-Up form and \* below. If you win a blue ribbon, your Master's certificate will indicate "with honors."

### DAG Grand Master of Dollmaking

requires blue ribbon:

**either** in category for authentic reproduction (excluding categories for All-Bisque, Doll-House, Baby, Toddler, Googly-eyed and Painted-eye dolls, Candy-container, Surprise and Fortuneteller dolls, as well as any doll under 10" /25cm).

**or** in category for Modern Dolls in Dimensional Doll Painting (DDP) and with painted eyes in DDP technique. (Modern Baby or Toddler dolls are excluded, as well as any doll less than 10"/25cm.)

You must make the entire costume, underwear, wig, shoes, stockings, hat, and eventual accessories yourself. Otherwise, affidavit rules above apply. Complete details on DAGSD affidavit.\*

The ribbon requirement for GM title might be waived for dollmakers 70 years of age and up. Contact DAG for further details.

### DAG Triple Crown of Dollmaking title

requires high blue ribbon (min. 95 points):

**either** in category for authentic reproduction

**or** in category for Modern Dolls in Dimensional Doll Painting (DDP) and with painted eyes in DDP technique.

Exclusions and additional rules as for Grand Master above.

Dolls must have feathered eyebrows and painted upper and lower lashes. Complete details on DAGSD affidavit.\*

### DAG Award of Excellence title

requires blue ribbon (min. 90 points) in four of the following categories. Babies and Toddlers, Decorative Porcelain Art and Half Dolls, Doll House and All-bisque, Costuming, Fantasy Dolls, Moderns in Dimensional Doll Painting (DDP) with Painted Eyes. Additional rules and complete details on DAGSD affidavit.\*

**Failure to comply with any rule specified on the DAGSD affidavit submitted with your doll may result in an automatic deduction of 11 points.**

Complete details on preparing your doll for entry with affidavit can be found at the DAG website: [DollArtisanGuild.Org](http://DollArtisanGuild.Org) - click on "School of Dollmaking"

### **DAGSD AFFIDAVITS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED**

Affidavit(s) will only be accepted with doll if you have completed the DAGSD part on the registration form. (You may change your mind and enter without affidavit if you wish.) Only people who have pre-registered their affidavit(s) may graduate at this event. The affidavit form will be sent to you with your confirmation (see registration form). Signed affidavit must accompany your doll(s).

### To receive your title

you must also have enrolled in the DAGSD and have paid the fee (one fee for each title). Payment must have been received at least four (4) months before the planned graduation date. **Note.** You can only receive one title per event, unless you have already completed all requirements for at least one title including the ribbon.

**All seminar points must be completed at least two (2) months prior to graduation.**

**Any ribbon must be less than four years\*\* old at time of completion of requirements for title**

You may enter more than one doll with affidavit in a competition. Your affidavit will be accepted even if you are not enrolled in DAGSD.

**DAGSD E-Affidavit(s) will be emailed to you if requested on the competition sign-up form and must be handed in with your doll(s)/entries.**

**\*\*Temporarily changed from 2 years due to Covid and the lack of in-person events since 2019**



# D.A.G. Competition Sign-Up Instructions

## International Doll Festival England 2023

*Please print all information clearly*



1. Complete the Sign-Up/registration form
2. Mail, fax or scan/EMAIL your Sign-up Form. (Details below)

Deadline all entries: July 7, 2023

**\$50.00 late fee**

*Note: Categories may not be changed after July 7.  
Any changes must be made in writing.*

3. Your competition registration will be confirmed by a receipt for payment/email from DAG. You will receive a "Competition Confirmation" with information about handing in your entries. This will be **EMAILED** to you, possibly after the deadline.

4. If you are entering a doll for **DAG School of Dollmaking Title**, you will receive a special DAGSD e-Affidavit. These will be **emailed** after your entries are registered. Please print and complete. **VERY IMPORTANT:** Bring the affidavit and turn in with your entry. Please check the specific rules for your title on the DAG website.

### 5. PAYMENT of Registration fee

You may Scan/Fax/Mail your payment method on your sign-up/registration form

You may pay the fee on the DAG website and THEN send in your registration form.

<https://dollsbeautiful.com/shop/ols/products/dag-competition---england-2023>

Payment must be in US\$. If you prefer to pay by PAYPAL or Credit card there will be a \$3.00 fee.

### Complete the SIGN-UP FORM -

**Scan** or take a clear photo and attach to an email. **Email to:** info@dollartiguild.org

**Fax** to DAG Competition Office: 607.441.1040

**Mail** to:

Doll Artisan Guild,  
Attn. ENGLAND Competition 2023  
12663 Molale Dr.,  
Pensacola, FL 32507 USA

6. Entries must be dropped off and picked up at a time to be confirmed. We may need your help to move dolls during the event. Please check with us during registration.

**Note:** You must be a delegate to enter dolls at this event.

### Who do I contact...?

**Karlyn Grzymkowski, DAG Director of Competitions**

Email: Karlyngrz@dollartiguild.org

*Questions related to classification, entering specific categories, judging*

*Questions related to administration, registering your entry, tags*

*School of Dollmaking questions, points, membership*

**No refunds of Competition Fee will be made.**

Doll Artisan Guild, Inc. Email: info@dollartiguild.org CELL PHONE: 607-432-4977



# Sign-Up Form - D.A.G. COMPETITION, ENGLAND 2023

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DEADLINE: 07 JULY 2023

Name \_\_\_\_\_ DAG Member No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( \_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE ( \_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I am entering as:  Professional  Non-Professional (See General Rules & Information: *Classification*)

I have previously won (check all that apply)  Millie  Magge  Eva's Choice  Arti  Crystal  Costuming

Entry	Category Number	Are you entering this doll for DAGSD Title? (Yes or No)	If yes, please advise what title (MDM, GMDM, TCDM, AE)
1			
2			
3			
4			

### FOR DAG School of Dollmaking PARTICIPANTS ONLY—(See page 3 for details)

- I have not yet paid the fee for the title OR  I have paid the fee for the title.
- I only need the ribbon to graduate.
- I have the red Master ribbon, trying for a blue Master ribbon (I have not yet graduated.)
- If I win the ribbon I need, I would like to graduate at this event. OR  I plan to graduate at a later date.

NOTE: You may enter your doll with affidavit even if you are not enrolled in the School of Dollmaking. Title requirements are located at [www.dollartisanguild.org/School of Dollmaking](http://www.dollartisanguild.org/School of Dollmaking). Affidavits must be handed in with doll(s).

I hereby waive all liability and responsibility on the part of Doll Artisan Guild International, Inc. and all related parties, The Hotel, the Competition Organizers, judges and assistants for the security of or harm to my entries or props, as well as for damages of any nature, related to this competition. I have read, understand and accepted all the rules in this Invitation and in the *DAG General Rules and Information*, and accept that my entries may be excluded if any rule is disregarded. I have not made my entries in seminar or private lessons. If made in class, all the work is by me and no one else. I also accept that the judges' opinions are based on judgments made to the best of their ability. I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the modern doll mold from which my doll was made, does not violate the copyright protection laws, if applicable to any entry.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature  \_\_\_\_\_ Obligator

- Yes, I have signed up for the Convention and paid the registration fee.
- I paid for my entries on the DAG website: <https://dollsbeautiful.com/shop/ols/products/dag-competition---england-2023>
- ALL Categories except TRIBUTE — \$30.00 (first entry) (TRIBUTE category IS FREE) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ALL Additional entries \$15.00 each x \_\_\_\_\_ ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- LATE FEE applies to all entries submitted after the deadline above. \$50.00 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes I wish to use Credit card/PAYPAL to pay the fee. (+\$3.00) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Send the PayPal invoice to (email) \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT INFO:** **Total US \$** \_\_\_\_\_

- Check enclosed, made out to Doll Artisan Guild (Check in US funds, drawn on US bank ONLY)
- VISA/MC/AMEX/Discover: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Security code/CVV: \_\_\_\_\_