

Barony of Caerthe

Arts and Sciences Competition Rules

The purpose of having a Arts and Sciences Competition in the Barony each year is to provide our artists and scholars an avenue to display their accomplishments, to have them discussed and evaluated in a comfortable and productive environment, and to showcase the talents and achievements of the barony's artists to aid in the selection of a Baronial Arts and Sciences Champion . Competitions at the Baronial Level can be good experiences for those who are considering entering their projects and research at the Kingdom level or higher. It is intended that there will be discussions between entrants and commentators. As one of the greatest benefits of holding this type of event is the time that scholars and artists get to spend with others who are knowledgeable in their area of study, we hope to arrange a nurturing environment for the continued learning of all participants.

The populace is encouraged to bring small tokens to leave with the entries.

The following are the official rules for the annual Arts and Sciences Competition.

1. There shall be one competition per year to determine the Arts and Sciences Champion of the Barony of Caerthe. This competition shall be held in the fall of each year.
2. One Grand Champion will be chosen and announced at the Arts and Sciences Competition.
3. In order to be eligible to be Grand Champion the entrant must reside within boundaries of the Barony of Caerthe, including any of its Cantons and college groups.
4. Any person who wishes to compete for the title of Grand Champion must enter at least three distinctly different items in the competition (e.g. one item in costuming, one in cooking and one in woodworking).
5. Documentation is not required to enter the competition but it **is** required in order to be considered for Grand Champion. Although not required, documentation is **HIGHLY** recommended and entrants should provide three copies for the benefit of their commentators.
6. The Grand Champion will be chosen by consensus between the Baron and Baroness and the Minister of Arts and Sciences of the Barony in consultation with the judges.
7. The Minister of Arts and Sciences, and the Baron and Baroness may enter the competition but may not be considered for Grand Champion.
8. Entrants must be present at the Competition to be considered for Grand Champion. Display space will be made available for those who wish only to display items. People need not be present to display items.
9. No item may be entered in the competition that has already won or placed in any other Outlands Baronial or Kingdom A&S Competition. Entries from Queen's Prize Tourney will be accepted.
10. Each entrant will stay with their entry during the competition if at all possible to answer verbal questions from the commentators. For this reason it may be impractical to attempt to participate as both an entrant and a commentator.

11. Actual pieces must be entered, not photographs or reproductions. Documentation must be printed; electronic documentation is not acceptable.
12. Items manufactured from kits may be entered but will not be considered for the Grand Championship. Items manufactured from kits must be disclosed as such.
13. Commenting shall be done according to the wishes of the entrant. Judging sheets based on the Kingdom forms will be provided for those entrants who wish to receive formal judging. This option is intended to provide the entrant with some idea of how their project might do in the Kingdom Arts and Sciences competition. An entrant may also choose to only receive written comments without any sort of numerical scoring, or they may choose to receive only verbal discussion from their commentators. Scoring sheets will be required to be considered for the Grand Championship.
14. Any person who wishes to enter the competition must bring one gift of at least \$5 value as an entry fee. Each entrant will be asked to select another entrant to whom they wish to give their gift. This is to ensure that entrants receive a gift in acknowledgment of their courage in entering the competition.
15. Any group, such as the Gilded Leaf's or the Laurels of the Barony are encouraged to meet near the end of the event and choose an entrant they would like to recognize with a gift. The Minister of Arts and Sciences will be given a small budget with which to provide prizes to give on behalf of these groups. Time will be given for groups to discuss the entries and come to a consensus and then to inform the Minister of Arts and Sciences and the Baron and Baroness.
16. The Regalia of the Grand Champion of Arts and Sciences shall be passed to the new Grand Champion each year.
17. Entries must be registered by 11:00a.m. the day of the event. Exceptions are only allowed if discussed with the Minister of A&S prior to the day of the event.

The Grand Champion will be given first right of refusal to autocrat the competition in the following year.

NOTE: It should be stated that due to difficulty in finding sites where we can have alcohol, brewing entries may or may not be allowed as part of the tournament. If the Minister of A&S, or any other member of the populace wishes to hold a brewing specific event at another time of the year a separate recognition for brewing skills may be awarded. If a "Brewing Champion" is chosen on a different date, it will have no effect on the position of Arts and Sciences Grand Champion of Caerthe.

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