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March 20, 2024

To: Potential Guest and/or Competitive Exhibitor:

Please consider joining us at **The 4th Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show**, sponsored by the Mineralogical Society of Arizona (MSA) on June 1-2, 2024 at The Phoenix Shrine Auditorium. The numerous mineral collectors and visitors who enjoy viewing beautiful exhibits will appreciate your participation in the Show. We expect your exhibit(s) will add greatly to helping make The Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show THE Premier Quality Mineral Show in Phoenix Area!

The 4th Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show theme for 2024 is **FLUORITE**. We hope your guest exhibit will be able to highlight the show theme but this is certainly not a requirement. The Show Committee is sponsoring two **"Best of Theme Trophies"** for fluorite in two size categories, Thumbnails to Miniatures and Small Cabinet to Cabinet size specimens. A plaque will be provided for one specimen in each size category. Measurements defining the sizes are provided on the entry form.

The MSA Show Committee is proud to announce awards honoring three Arizonans who have contributed to mineralogy and the collecting hobby, in Arizona, the United States, and the world. All three trophies will include a cash award as well.

1. The **Bob Jones Trophy** is for the **"Best Case of Minerals in the Show,"** entered in this competition, with the emphasis on quality and aesthetics of the specimens. Bob Jones is a renowned author and lecturer, MSA Past President and Life Member having spent his 70 years in Arizona writing about and promoting the mineral collecting hobby. Dana and Brenda Slaughter are sponsoring this trophy. Monetary awards sponsored by MSA and Patrons.
2. The **David Shannon Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the **"Best Case of Personally Field Collected Specimens,"** entered in this competition. David Shannon dealt in rare species as well as fine specimens, many of which he personally collected. This trophy and monetary awards are sponsored by the Michael Shannon and Joseph Philpott, Jr. families.
3. The **Arthur L. Flagg Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the **"Best Junior Age Mineral Exhibit Entered in Competition."** Arthur L. Flagg was known as "Mr. Rockhound" in Arizona and was one of the founders and first President of MSA. MSA is sponsoring this trophy. Dana and Brenda Slaughter, MSA and Chris Whitney-Smith are sponsoring monetary awards.

Any exhibits placed as a Guest Exhibit shall not be judged for these awards or Best of Theme trophies.

All exhibitors shall submit a signed Competitive Exhibitor Application.

The various forms are included to enable you to exhibit. If you need any additional information, please write, or contact me directly. Once your exhibit is accepted you will receive information regarding the interior dimensions for liners for the case that has been assigned to you.

The MSA and the Flagg Mineral Foundation (FMF) are providing newly designed and fabricated cases encompassing LED lighting and large glass fronts in two sizes, 30" and 48" wide. There will be 16 to 18, 48" cases and 6, 30" cases. Important items to note are as follows:

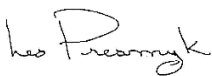
- Priority for the cases will be given to the competitive entries and everyone will be assigned based on when your application is received.
- Liners and risers for the cases will be supplied by the exhibitors.

Applications shall be submitted to the MSA P.O. Box 54307, Phoenix, AZ 85078, or to Les Presmyk by email no later than May 7, 2024. Please include the Competitive Exhibitor Application, the signed Agreement and Show ID Form. Due to increasing security concerns, ALL competitive entries, including those for the Special Trophies and Best of Theme competitions, shall require a signed Competitive Exhibitor Agreement. No Agreement, No Entry.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact me.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Very Sincerely,



Les Presmyk
Competitive Exhibits Chairman and Show Co-Chairman
The 4th Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show
Mineralogical Society of Arizona
Arizona's Oldest Mineral Society
Celebrating 89 Years! (1935-2024)
email: presmyk@cox.net
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Mineralogical Society of Arizona is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1935.

Our Purpose: To promote popular interest and education in Earth Science, and related fields (Geology, Mineralogy, Paleontology, and Lapidary arts); to foster a fellowship among individuals interested in Earth Science and enable our members to better identify materials we collect and how to display or further process these materials; to teach all generations about rocks, minerals, fossils and what can be done with them and be collaborative in community of groups with similar interests to our Society.

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**JUNIOR COMPETITION ENTRY APPLICATION
and ARTHUR L. FLAGG MEMORIAL TROPHY
BEST JUNIOR-AGE ENTRY APPLICATION**

Open to all collectors who have not turned 18 by June 1, 2024

Your competitive application must be returned to the MSA no later than May 7, 2024

Entries for Arthur Flagg Trophy competition will be accepted from (1:00pm until 5:00 pm), Friday, May 31, 2024

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Country/Zip: _____

Email address: _____

	<u>Exhibitor Group</u>	<u>Division/Class No./Name</u>	<u>Case Size (30" or 48")</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____

Exhibitor Name Tag(s)

1. _____ 2. _____

With the completion of this Competition Entry Form, it is mutually agreed that the Mineralogical Society of Arizona, the Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show committee, and the Phoenix Shrine Auditorium shall not be liable to any exhibitor for loss of or damage to the exhibits described above from any cause; and that all claims are expressly waived.

Signature of Exhibitor

NOTE: All judging forms may be displayed on each exhibit.

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GUEST EXHIBIT APPLICATION

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Entries for Guest Exhibits will be accepted from (1:00pm until 5:00 pm), Friday, May 31, 2024

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Country/Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Please reserve _____ 30" (MSA or FMF) case or _____ 48" (MSA or FMF) case.

Title or Theme of the Exhibit _____

Exhibitor Name Tag(s)

1. _____ 2. _____

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BOB JONES TROPHY COMPETITION APPLICATION

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Entries for Bob Jones Trophy competition will be accepted from (1:00pm until 5:00 pm), Friday, May 31, 2024

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Country/Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Please reserve _____ 30" (MSA or FMF) case or _____ 48" (MSA or FMF) case.

With the completion of this Application, it is mutually agreed that the Mineralogical Society of Arizona, the Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show committee, and the Phoenix Shrine Auditorium shall not be liable to any exhibitor for loss of or damage to the exhibits described above from any cause; and that all claims are expressly waived.

Signature of Exhibitor

Exhibitor Name Tag(s)

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DAVID SHANNON MEMORIAL TROPHY
“BEST SELF-COLLECTED MINERALS” ENTRY APPLICATION

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Entries for David Shannon Trophy competition will be accepted from (1:00pm until 5:00 pm), Friday, May 31, 2024

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Country/Zip: _____

Please reserve _____ 30” (MSA or FMF) case or _____ 48” (MSA or FMF) case.

With the completion of this Application, it is mutually agreed that the Mineralogical Society of Arizona, the Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show committee, and the Phoenix Shrine Auditorium shall not be liable to any exhibitor for loss of or damage to the exhibits described above from any cause; and that all claims are expressly waived.

Signature of Exhibitor

Exhibitor Name Tag(s)

1. _____ 2. _____

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BEST OF THEME COMPETITION ENTRY APPLICATION

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Entries for Best of Theme competition will be accepted from (3:00pm until 5:00 pm), Friday, May 31, 2024

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Country/Zip: _____

I will enter one specimen in one or both of the following categories:

_____ Small Cabinet to Cabinet - Greater than 2”(5 cm) but smaller than 10” (25 cm)

_____ Thumbnail to Miniature – From ¼” (6mm) to fitting within a 2”(5 cm) cube

Entries for Best of Theme competition will be accepted from 3:00pm until 5:00 pm, Friday, May 31, 2024

All exhibitors shall sign a Competitive Exhibitor Agreement for these exhibits.

With the completion of this Guest Exhibit Form, it is mutually agreed that the Mineralogical Society of Arizona, the Phoenix Heritage Mineral Show committee, and the Phoenix Shrine Auditorium shall not be liable to any exhibitor for loss of or damage to the exhibits described above from any cause; and that all claims are expressly waived.

Signature of Exhibitor

Exhibitor Name Tag(s)

1. _____ 2. _____

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SPECIAL TROPHY COMPETITIONS

Rules of the Special Trophy Competitions

1. These competitions are open to any individual/couple—not to institutions, clubs, groups, businesses or partnerships. The exhibitor(s) shall be the owner of the specimens shown.
2. Specimens shall be labeled correctly with name and location.
3. The only criterion for judging is the quality of the specimen(s). There will be no point score given and the decision of the judges shall be final.
4. **Best of Theme** shall have two size categories, and each exhibitor is eligible to enter one specimen in each category.
 - a. Thumbnail to Miniature, specimen shall be larger than a micromount but fit in a 2” cube.
 - b. Small Cabinet to Cabinet, larger than a miniature to a maximum size of 10” in the largest dimension.
5. **Repaired and Disallowed Specimens.**
 - A. Repaired specimens shall be allowed only under the following circumstances:
 - i. The repair shall be of a crystal glued back together or back onto the matrix.
 - ii. The label shall note the specimen is repaired.
 - B. Disallowed or out-of-class specimens.
 - i. Synthetic, reconstituted, or oiled specimens.
 - ii. Minerals/Specimens embedded in plastic.
 - iii. Cracks have been filled with any type of material.
 - iv. Matrix that has been added to or altered.
 - v. Repairs not noted on the label.
 - vi. Micromounts are allowed only in micromount exhibits.
 - vii. Minerals pressed into a base to meet size requirements.

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SPECIAL TROPHY RULES

BOB JONES TROPHY

1. A minimum of twelve (12) specimens are required.
2. If any specimens are disallowed or ruled out-of-class and reduce the number of eligible specimens below twelve (12), the exhibit shall be removed from consideration for this trophy.
3. MSA/FMF cases (30" or 48" size) shall be used in this competition. Exhibitors shall provide their own case liners and risers.
4. No individual can win the trophy more than once every three years.

DAVID SHANNON MEMORIAL TROPHY COMPETITION

1. A minimum of twelve (12) specimens are required.
2. All specimens shall have personally field collected by the exhibitor.
3. If any specimens are disallowed or ruled out-of-class and reduce the number of eligible specimens below twelve (12), the exhibit shall be removed from consideration for this trophy.
4. MSA/FMF cases (30" or 48" size) shall be used in this competition. Exhibitors shall provide their own case liners and risers.
5. No individual can win the trophy more than once every three years.

ARTHUR L. FLAGG MEMORIAL TROPHY

1. This competition is open only to junior-age exhibitors (those who have not turned 18 by the opening day of the show).
2. This trophy shall be presented to the best case of minerals entered by a junior age exhibitor.
3. Rules and categories shall be determined by the TGMS Competitive Exhibitors Handbook.
4. No individual can win the trophy more than once every three years.

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