

Hilsen!

Sons of Norway is pleased to invite all members to participate in the 2010 International Folk Art Exhibition & Competition. All members, both amateurs and professionals, are encouraged to display their skills at Sons of Norway's largest folk art event as part of the International Convention in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho August 29th – September 1st.

Members can choose to compete, exhibit or both. Everyone who enters will receive a certificate of participation and a unique pin for their contribution. Members who enter the competition can win ribbons for First, Second, and Third places in a variety of categories, a People's Choice award and the Best In Show prize for the judges' overall favorite item.

This information packet will take you step-by-step through all the rules and procedures for entering your work. **Because space may be limited, pre-registration is the only way to guarantee that your item will be included in the event.** To pre-register, please submit all attached materials to Sons of Norway Headquarters by **August 20th, 2010.**

Please note that this year it will NOT be possible to send your items through the mail to the convention site. If you cannot bring your item yourself, please contact your local delegate and ask them to bring your items to the convention. To find out who your local delegate is, contact your lodge or district president.

Registration materials and questions may be directed to:

**Sons of Norway
International Folk Art Exhibition & Competition
1455 W Lake Street
Minneapolis, MN 55408 USA**

Or, fax it to (612) 827-0658, Attention: Fraternal Dept.

We look forward to seeing your work.

Vennlig hilsen,

Fraternal Department

Sons of Norway

Rules

Entering the Contest

- Participants must be current Sons of Norway members
- It is not necessary to attend the Convention in order to participate in the Folk Art Exhibition & Competition. If you will not be attending, you may send your work along with a delegate from your lodge or district. **DO NOT send your artwork to Sons of Norway Headquarters**
- Space for this year's event is limited. In the event that there are more items than there is space to display them, pre-registered items will be given priority. This means that pre-registration is the only way to guarantee that your item will be included. To guarantee a place in the Folk Art Exhibition & Competition, send in all registration materials to the Sons of Norway Fraternal Department no later than **August 20th, 2010**
- On-site registration will take place on Sunday, August 29th from 12-4 PM, and Monday, August 30th from 8 AM to 10 AM
- Each item must have an identification label (included with this packet)
- Entries must fall into one of the following categories:
 - Rosemaling
 - Norwegian weaving
 - Hardanger embroidery
 - Norwegian themed needlework (e.g. klostersonm, diamantsøm, and other traditional needlework)
 - Hand knitting w/Norwegian design
 - Crocheting and tatting
 - Figure carving w/Norwegian theme using hand tools only
 - Relief carving w/Norwegian theme using hand tools only
 - Chip carving using hand tools
 - Bentwood using hand tools
 - Wood turning: bowl
 - Wood turning: spindle
 - Other w/Norwegian theme (e.g. photography, paintings, stained glass, kolrosing, etc.)
- There are four classes for each category:
 - **Adult professional** including instructors of the craft and persons who sell their work
 - **Adult amateur** who engage in a given craft activity as a pastime / hobby and do not sell their work
 - **Youth** Ages 16 – 20

- **Heritage** members, 15 years old and under.
- All items submitted must have been made by the registered person
- All items must have been finished within the past two years
- A member is allowed to enter a maximum of two items per category
- All items must be delivered to the Convention Folk Art Committee by 10 AM on Monday, August 30th

Artist's signature

- All work should be discreetly signed
- Rosemalers and wood carvers may sign their objects on the back side only – these signatures will be covered by tape during the judging
- Paintings that have the artist's signature on the front will also have tape placed over the name and will be at the owner's risk

Selling of Exhibited Items

- All participants are welcome to sell their items if they wish

Prizes

The judges will award:

- First, Second and Third Place ribbons as the Judges see fit for each category
- One People's Choice award, chosen by popular vote
- One Best In Show award

Registration Information

Follow these 4 steps to register for the Sons of Norway International Folk Art Exhibition & Competition. If you have any questions about registration, please contact the Sons of Norway Fraternal Department at 1-800-945-8851 or by email at culture@sofn.com. ***Please note that this year it will NOT be possible to send your items through the mail to the convention site.***

1. Complete the registration form and waiver of responsibility.
2. Send your registration form and waiver to:
Sons of Norway
Attn: International Folk Art Exhibition & Competition
1455 West Lake Street
Minneapolis, MN 55408 USA
3. Complete the identification label included with this packet.
 - Fill out one ID label per item that you are submitting
 - Attach ID label directly to the item
4. Bring your item or send it with a delegate to the International Folk Art Exhibition & Competition. **DO NOT send your artwork to Sons of Norway Headquarters**
 - **Because space may be limited, pre-registration is the only way to guarantee that your item will be included in the event** However, if you do not pre-register, you will still be able to register in the afternoon on Sunday, August 29th or the morning of Monday, August 30th
 - If you will not be attending the Convention, ask a delegate from your lodge or district to take item(s) to the convention on your behalf. To find out who your local delegate is, contact your lodge or district president

Registration Form

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ ST: _____ Zip/Postal: _____ Country: _____
 Telephone: Day: () _____ Evening () _____
 E-mail: _____
 Membership/Identification #: _____ Dist. # _____ Lodge # _____

1. Category (e.g. Rosemaling, Knitting, etc.):

2. Class (e.g. Adult professional, Youth, etc.):

3. Descrip. of item (e.g. Bowl, red 7" dia.):

4. Value of item (USD): \$ _____

- For Sale
 NFS (Not For Sale)

5. Enter item as:

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Waiver of Responsibility

I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that Sons of Norway and its representative personnel (including, but not limited to Headquarters staff, lodge/district people) shall not be held liable for damage or loss of the item(s) I am entering in the Sons of Norway International Convention Folk Art Exhibition/Competition. I do hereby waive any claim against Sons of Norway, and its representative personnel, for any damage, breakage, marring, scratching or other losses which may occur to the item(s) I enter in the Sons of Norway International Folk Art Exhibition/Competition.

Date: _____

Signature of Artist: _____

Item: _____

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Complete one label for each item you are entering into the Folk Art Exhibit/Competition.

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