



## 2018 MCR Convention Contest Information

Contests will be conducted for Models, Photography and Arts and Crafts. Based on MCR guidelines (found at <http://archive.midcentral-region-nmra.org/ContestForm.html>), entries may be submitted in the following categories -

**MODELS** - Steam Loco, Diesel or other Loco, Traction, Passenger Car, Freight Car, Caboose, Non-Revenue Car, Structure, Display (Diorama)

**PRINT PHOTOS** – B&W Model, Color Model, B&W Prototype, Color Prototype.

**ARTS & CRAFTS** – General, Needlepoint, Railroadiana

Three awards will be given for Best of Show based on judging points (1 each for Models, Photos and Art & Crafts), sixteen 1<sup>st</sup> Place Awards will be given (1 per category) based on judging points, and 7 People's Choice Awards will be given based on attendee popular voting.

All entrants must use the MCR Entry Form (found at <http://archive.midcentral-region-nmra.org/ContestForm.html>). Any entrant presenting a National Entry Form will be required to fill out the appropriate MCR form before the entry will be accepted. Entries will be accepted during the times the Contest Room is open on both Thursday and Friday (see the convention master schedule). No entries will be accepted on Saturday.

Contest judging will begin on Saturday between 8:00 and 9:00 AM. Convention attendees will be allowed in the room during judging but silence must be observed at all times and there is to be no interaction with the judges. Once the judging has been completed the room will be closed while results are tabulated and winners photographed. Once that is done the room will be reopened until 5:00 PM for viewing and to give those contestants who are departing the opportunity to retrieve their entries. After the banquet the room will be opened from about 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM for viewing and removal of entries. Please make every effort to leave your models for viewing until after the banquet.