

Chapter Collaborative Challenge 2006

During the 2006 American Association of Woodturners 20th Annual Symposium in Louisville, Kentucky, the Chapters and Membership Committee will again sponsor a Chapter Collaborative Challenge.

Each AAW chapter is invited to submit one collaborative work created by as many chapter members as possible, with a minimum of six participants.

- The work can be any turned object, functional or not.
- The size and weight limits of the Collaborative pieces, including the packing container and all packing materials, will be those set by UPS for a single standard box (see sidebar). Assembled pieces may be larger, but must fit in the single standard box. Size restrictions apply regardless of commercial or chapter delivery.
- The names of all participants must be on the work or on an accompanying nameplate.
- At least one chapter representative must be in attendance at the symposium to be responsible for displaying and return shipping of the entry.

- Any electric/electronic device in the piece must have an obvious power switch for safety and noise reduction.

The AAW cannot ensure that an electrical outlet will be available. (Electricity may not be available where the Chapter Collaborative Challenge is set up.)

Chapters must specify in which one of the following three categories they wish to submit their entry:

- Artistic
- Mechanical/Technical
- Fantasy

Four prizes will be awarded as follows:

- Best of Show plaque
- First Place plaque in each of the three categories

The pieces will be displayed during the symposium in an area near the Instant Gallery. During the symposium, attendees will be invited to select, by ballot, their

choice for Best of Show and their favorite piece in each of the three categories. Votes will be tallied prior to the Annual Banquet and Auction, where the winners will be recognized.

An engraved plaque will be awarded to the Best of Show winner. A larger perpetual plaque, engraved with the names of the Best of Show winners, beginning with the 1998 symposium in Akron, will reside in the AAW office. All entries will receive a certificate of participation.

Collaborative pieces may be donated to the live auction, with the provision that no minimum bid is allowed. A chapter whose entry is donated will receive 50 percent of the selling price. Any donated entry must be accompanied by a box and packing materials for shipment to its new home. Shipping the work to the buyer is the joint responsibility of the chapter and the buyer.

The standard UPS box size is defined as tape stretched around the girth of the box (its widest point perpendicular to the length) added to the length (the longest side of the package). Details of this measurement: ups.com/content/us/en/resources/prepare/weight_size.html.

Packages can be up to 108 inches (270 cm) in length. Packages can be up to 165 inches (419 cm) in length and girth combined. The packages can be up to 150 pounds (70 kg).