

# Alpaca Ontario Fibre Fantasy

## 2012 Fibre Arts & Yarn Competition Judging April 13, 2012

1. Judging will be conducted on: **April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012** at the Orangeville Fairgrounds.
2. **Entry fee:** \$22.00 per entry for Alpaca Ontario member, \$25.00 per entry for non-members
3. **Post all entry forms and exhibits to:**  
Sharon Trent, 232 Eighth Road East, Stoney Creek, Ont. L8J 3M2
4. Mailed or couriered entries must be received **no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.**
5. An **Exhibit Identification Ticket** must be included with each article entered.
6. Each exhibitor must also complete and include a **2012 Alpaca Ontario Fibre Fantasy Competition Entry Form**, including payment with HST for each exhibit entry.
7. All exhibits must be collected from the Orangeville Fairgrounds at the completion of the weekend event or arrange to have someone pick the items up for you
8. All entries in the Fibre Arts Competition will be eligible for a People's Choice Award. People's Choice will be voted on by the public and will be announced on Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup> after the lunch break.
9. Yarn entered in the Yarn Competition must be at least 2 ply, made up of one or two skeins totaling 50g.

### Fibre Arts Categories

- ❖ Garment
- ❖ Scarf
- ❖ Accessory
- ❖ Household / Miscellaneous

### Yarn

#### Categories will include;

- ❖ Hand Spun –Novice – less than 2 years experience – 100% alpaca
- ❖ Hand Spun – over 2 years experience – 100% alpaca
- ❖ Mill Spun – 100% alpaca – for Mills to enter their own work only
- ❖ Blended – at least 50% alpaca and including a fibre other than alpaca
- ❖ Novelty – at least 50% alpaca – spun in a style other than the traditional ply
- ❖ Favourite Skein – for a breeder to enter their favourite skein be it hand spun or spun at a mill

#### Classes in the first 3 categories will include;

- ❖ Class A - Lace weight/ Fingering Weight/ Sport Weight
- ❖ Class B - Worsted Light/Medium
- ❖ Class C - Chunky / Bulky

Blended, Novelty and Favourite Skein classes will be open to all weights.

## **GENERAL**

- Members and non-members of Alpaca Ontario are invited to exhibit.
- No identifying marks (i.e. logos, etc.), pictures, tags or narratives are permitted on or with exhibits.
- Exhibits must have been completed within the last 12 months and not shown at a previous Alpaca Ontario Yarn & Garment Competition.
- Where commercial yarns are permitted, a sample must be attached, with any labels (ball bands, etc.) from the yarn.
- The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into
- Trims/accessories: These can be used in small quantities to enhance an article. These include: buttons, laces, zippers, metallic yarns, beads, ribbons, etc.
- Alpaca blends: This show is encouraging the use of alpaca and as such, blends must contain at least 50% alpaca.

## **Yarn Competition**

This section will judge spinning of alpaca and alpaca blends.

### **Conditions:**

1. A staple of original fibre(s) or sample of tops, sliver, etc. must be attached to all exhibits. Entries for all categories may use commercially combed or carded fibre.  
However, judging points for preparation (where applicable) will not be awarded to skeins using such commercially prepared fibre.
2. State intended purpose of yarn.
3. All classes are open to white or naturally coloured yarn
4. Judging will be based on:
  - Fleece and yarn for end use.
  - Degree of twist in single and ply.
  - Spinning system employed (woolen or worsted).
  - Evenness of spin and ply.
  - Washing, scouring and presentation.
5. Please attach the Exhibit Identification Ticket (see attached) using a safety pin.
6. Work must have been completed within the last 12 months and not shown at a previous Alpaca Ontario Yarn & Fibre Arts Competition.
7. Skeins to be presented in one or two skeins, totaling 50g. Make sure they cannot be separated from each other, or their tags and samples.
8. In presentation, make sure the skeins can be examined, so ensure they have sufficient ties, and can be opened out by the judge.
9. If entering the Favourite Skein competition be sure to include the name of the mill that spun it if it is mill spun

## **Judging – People's Choice Competition**

Items entered in the Fibre Arts Competition will be on display throughout the AO Spring Show. Ballots will be available on the display tables for people to vote for their favourite item in each category. Ribbons will be awarded to the People's Choice Champion and Runner-up in each category and will be announced on Sunday after the lunch break.

## **Award Presentations**

Ribbons will be placed on the items after judging on Friday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Photos of winning entries with name of creator will be posted on the Alpaca Ontario website.

## **Item Pick-Up Procedure**

Items MUST be left on display until: NOON, Sunday, April 15, 2012. Items can be picked up by the owner or authorized person on Sunday afternoon. Items MUST be signed out with the volunteer at the Fibre Arts table. Written authorization is required for someone other than the Exhibitor to pick up the item.

***NOTE: Every effort will be made to provide a secure environment, but Alpaca Ontario cannot be responsible for the loss, safety or any damages of individual items displayed during the Fleece to Fashion Display. We intend to staff the area with volunteers as event monitors.***