

Origami by Children Exhibition Judging Criteria

OrigamiUSA sponsors Origami by Children, an exhibition which displays a collection of outstanding origami models by children from around the world.

Children whose models are selected for the exhibition will receive a Certificate of Merit, a one year membership in OrigamiUSA and a small gift. Experience is not necessary and every interested child is welcome to participate. Most models are made from diagrams in origami books available in libraries and bookstores. However, original creations are especially encouraged.

Origami Models will be judged by the following criteria:

Quality of folding - Models must be neat, attractive and suitable for exhibition.

After being displayed in New York (OrigamiUSA Convention and Donnell Library) the collection will be sent to other locations around the United States upon request. Please note the following:

- Select a model that you can fold crisply and beautifully. The appearance of the model is more important than its complexity.
- 5 to 10 inches in finished size (Modulars should easily fit within 8" cube box)
- Modulars must have **STRONG** locks (without glue).
- Action models will remain stationary while on display.

Creativity of presentation - Interesting paper selection and/or folding techniques can enhance a model's visual appeal.

- Choose a weight and/or texture of paper appropriate to the model. Practice and experiment with different papers to see how they affect the completed model.
- We display models standing, hanging, or mounted on wire or paper. If you have a creative display technique/device, please feel free to include it.

Originality - We encourage, but do not require, original origami designs.

- Diagrams and books on origami can be found at your school or library.
- Original designs will be given special consideration by judges.
- Age of child is also taken into account - a beautifully folded simple model by a young child is better than a complex one that is not folded as well by an older child.

Please note the following grounds for entry disqualifications (see also Origami By Children Entry form):

- do not draw on or add embellishments, glue, tape or cut your model.
- do not use genuine U.S. currency for money fold models.

Origami by Children 2008 Entry Form

- You must be 18 or younger as of March 31, 2008. .
- Do NOT draw on or add embellishments, glue, tape or cut your model.
- 5 to 10 inches in finished size (Modulars should easily fit within 8" cube box)
- Modulars must have STRONG locks (without glue).
- Include one completed entry form (in English) for each model. **Please print clearly.**
- Do not use genuine U.S. currency for money fold models.
- All entries must be **received** in our home office no later than March 31, 2008.
- Limit of two models per child. One will be selected by the judges for inclusion in the final judging process.
- Parent or Guardian must complete and sign bottom of entry form as indicated.

Note: If ANY of the above requirements are not met, entry is disqualified!

Send all entries to: OrigamiUSA
Origami by Children
15 West 77th Street
New York, NY 10024-5192

OrigamiUSA is not responsible for models damaged in transit. Carefully package your model(s) in a sturdy envelope or suitable box with plenty of protective filler. Cereal boxes and flimsy shoe boxes DO NOT make good shipping containers.

All entries become the property of OrigamiUSA. All participants will be informed of their standings in the competition within one month of the judging. The decisions of the judges are final. Please feel free to copy and share this entry form with your local school, library, recreation or youth center.

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
(first) (last)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

Telephone # _____ Email: _____

Model Name: _____ Did you invent this? _____

If "no" who created it? _____ Title of book: _____

To be completed by Parent/Guardian

As parent/guardian, I hereby grant permission for this child's model, name, state/country (not address) to be publicized in OrigamiUSA's The Paper and website (www.origami-usa.org). If consent is NOT given, I will WRITE to the organization.

Name: _____ Date: _____
(first) (last)

Signature: _____